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Rivers in Auckland District notified under "The Timber-floating Act, 1884."

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the second section of "The Timber-floating Act, 1884," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that the rivers specified in the Schedule hereto may be used under license for the purposes of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

RIVERS.

Awana Stream or Creek,
Kiwiriki Stream or Creek,
Wairiki Stream or Creek,
Kaitoke Stream or Creek,
Whangapoua Stream or Creek,
Whangaparapara Stream or Creek,

with all their respective tributary streams and branches.
Situating at the Great Barrier Island.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Additional Land taken in Wairarapa Survey District for the Purposes of the Wellington-Napier Railway.

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

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Wellington-Napier Railway to take further land in Wairarapa Survey District,

in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on me by sections twenty-eight and one hundred and sixty-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is taken for the purposes above mentioned.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:--

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.			Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A	R.	P.	Section 95	V.	Wairarapa.
0	1	33	Section 95	"	Wairarapa.
1	1	6	Crown land	"	Wairarapa.
0	2	31	Crown land	"	Wairarapa.
1	2	26	Crown land	"	Wairarapa.
3	0	28	Crown land	"	Wairarapa.

All in the Land District of Wellington; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18026, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured green, red, and yellow.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road in Connection with the Further Extension of the Whangarei-Kamo Railway to a Point in Hukerenui Survey District (Whakapara Section).

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain public work, to wit, the construction of a road in connection with the further extension of the Whangarei-Kamo Railway to a point in Hukerenui Survey District (Whakapara Section):

And whereas an agreement for the taking of the estate in fee-simple of the said land has been entered into, and it has been made to appear that such agreement is sufficient for the purposes intended to be effected thereby:

And whereas a plan has been prepared in duplicate showing accurately the position and extent of the said land, and the Minister for Public Works has recommended that this Proclamation should be issued:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in any wise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road. And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the date of the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 1 0 17	2	Block XII.	Hukerenui.

In the Land District of Auckland; as the same is more particularly delineated on sheet No. 13 of the plan marked P.W.D. 17889, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured sepia.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for Roads in Connection with the Railway from the Main Line of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to Oteramika and Toitoto, Seaward Bush Branch, Further Part of Mataura Section.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain public work, to wit, the construction of roads in connection with the railway from the main line of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to Oteramika and Toitoto, Seaward Bush Branch, further part of Mataura Section:

And whereas agreements for the taking of the estate in fee-simple of the said land have been entered into, and it has been made to appear that such agreements are sufficient for the purposes intended to be effected thereby:

And whereas a plan has been prepared in duplicate showing accurately the position and extent of the said land, and the Minister for Public Works has recommended that this Proclamation should be issued:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf,

do hereby proclaim that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said roads. And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the date of the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 0 2 26	14	1	Toitoto.
1 1 2	25	1	Toitoto.

In the Land District of Southland; as the same are more particularly delineated on sheet No. 2 of the plan marked P.W.D. 17961, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured purple and sepia.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Horse-shoe Drainage District extended.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the fifth section of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," a majority of the ratepayers in the area described in the First Schedule hereto, situated in the County of Manawatu, have presented a petition to His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand praying that the land comprised in the said area be added to the Horse-shoe Drainage District as constituted under the provisions of the said Act: Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the fifth section of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare that the areas of land described in the said petition, and in the First Schedule hereto, shall be added to the said Horse-shoe Drainage District, and that the boundaries of the said drainage district, with such addition as herein provided for, shall be those described in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

AREAS PROPOSED TO BE ADDED TO THE HORSE-SHOE DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, situated in Te Kawanu Survey District, bounded towards the north-east by the road forming the north-eastern boundary of Section No. 39, Block II.; towards the south-east by the Carnarvon-Sandon Tramway; towards the south-west by Section No. 124, Block VI.; and towards the north-west generally by Sections Nos. 108, 83, 84, and 67, Block VI., and Section No. 46, Block II., Te Kawanu Survey District.

Also, all that area in the Wellington Land District, situated in Te Kawanu and Kairanga Survey Districts, bounded towards the north generally by a right line from a point on the north-western boundary-line of Section No. 5, Block III., Te Kawanu Survey District, distant about 16 chains from its south-western corner, to a point on the eastern boundary-line of that section distant about 20 chains from its south-eastern corner; thence by a right line running parallel to the road forming the southern boundaries of Sections Nos. 6, 7, and 8, Block III., Te Kawanu Survey District, to the eastern boundary-line of the last-mentioned section; thence by that boundary-line to the westernmost corner of Section

No. 11, Block VII.; thence by that section, the crossing of a road, and by Sections Nos. 16 and 19, to a point on the western boundary-line of the last-mentioned section distant about 15 chains from its south-western corner; thence by a right line running parallel to the road forming the southern boundaries of Sections Nos. 19, 20, 21, and 22, to the eastern boundary-line of the last-mentioned section; thence by a right line to a point on the north-western boundary-line of Section No. 1 distant about 27 chains from its south-western corner; thence by the road forming the north-western boundary of that section to Section No. 304, Block IV., Te Kawau Survey District; thence by that section to the road forming the northern boundary of Section No. 24, Block I., Kairanga Survey District; thence by that road and its continuation in a south-easterly direction until it meets another road running northerly from Section No. 7, Block VIII., Te Kawau Survey District; thence by the continuation in a southerly direction of the last-mentioned road to the northern boundary of Section No. 11, Block VIII., Te Kawau Survey District; thence by the northern boundary-line of that section to its north-eastern corner: thence towards the south-east generally by Kopane Native Reserve No. 347 to the Oroua River; thence by the said Oroua River to the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 18, Block VIII., Te Kawau Survey District: thence towards the west by that section to the road forming its northern boundary: thence towards the south-west generally by the road forming the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 18, 19, 20, and 24, Block VIII. aforesaid, to the north-western corner of the last-mentioned section; thence by that section and by Sections Nos. 64, 63, 62, Block VIII., 32, 31, Block VII., and 30 and 29, Block VIII., across a road, and by Sections Nos. 36 and 38, Block VII., to the road forming the northern boundary of the last-mentioned section; and thence by the road forming the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 38, 39, 40, and 41, Block VII.: and again towards the west by the road forming the western boundary of Section No. 5, Block III., Te Kawau Survey District, to the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area Sections Nos. 2, 13 to 16 (inclusive), 25, 29 to 36 (inclusive), 65 to 74 (inclusive), 79, 81, 92 to 96 (inclusive), 109, 111, 112, 120 to 130 (inclusive), 132, 133, 140, and 142 to 444 (inclusive), Township of Rongotea.

Also, all that area in the Wellington Land District, being Sections Nos. 34 and 36, Block III., Te Kawau Survey District, bounded towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 30, 31, 32, and 33; towards the south-east by Section No. 1; towards the south-west by Section No. 37, Block III., Te Kawau Survey District; and towards the north-west by the Carnarvon-Sandon Tramway.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

HORSE-SHOE DRAINAGE DISTRICT (EXTENDED BOUNDARIES).

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, situated in the County of Manawatu, bounded towards the north generally by Sections Nos. 30, 31, 32, 33, 231, 232, 238, and part of 4, Block III., Te Kawau Survey District, to a point on the western boundary of the last-mentioned section about 48 chains from its north-western corner; thence by a right line intersecting the said Section No. 4 and running parallel to its southern boundary-line to the road forming the eastern boundary of that section; thence by a right line to a point on the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 5 distant about 20 chains from its south-eastern corner; thence by a right line running parallel to the road forming the southern boundaries of Sections Nos. 6, 7, and 8, Block III., Te Kawau Survey District, to the eastern boundary-line of the last-mentioned section; thence by that boundary-line to the westernmost corner of Section No. 11, Block VII.; thence by that section, the crossing of a road, and by Sections Nos. 16 and 19, to a point on the western boundary-line of the last-mentioned section distant about 15 chains from its south-western corner; thence by a right line running parallel to the road forming the southern boundaries of Sections Nos. 19, 20, 21, and 22 to the eastern boundary-line of the last-mentioned section; thence by a right line to a point on the north-western boundary-line of Section No. 1 distant about 27 chains from its south-western corner; thence by the road forming the north-western boundary of that section to Section No. 304, Block IV., Te Kawau Survey District; thence by that section to the road forming the northern boundary of Section No. 24, Block I., Kairanga Survey District; thence by that road and its continuation in a south-easterly direction until it meets another road running northerly from Section No. 7, Block VIII., Te Kawau Survey District; thence by the continuation in a southerly direction of the last-mentioned road to the northern boundary of Section No. 11, Block VIII., Te Kawau Survey District; thence by the northern boundary-line of that section to its north-eastern corner: thence towards the south east generally by Kopane Native Reserve No. 347 to the Oroua River; thence by the said Oroua River towards the south generally by Subdivisions Nos. 31, 33, 56,

and 106, Oroua Downs Estate, and the road forming the northern boundary of Sections Nos. 69, 68, 67, 66, 60, and 142, Block XI., and Sections Nos. 141, 140, and 139, Block VI.: and towards the west generally by Sections Nos. 124, 108, 83, 84, and 67, Block VI., and Section No. 46, Block II., Te Kawau Survey District, to the road forming the northern boundary of Section No. 39, Block II. aforesaid; thence by the last-mentioned road to the Carnarvon-Sandon Tramway; and thence by that tramway to Section No. 30 aforesaid: excluding from the above-described area Sections Nos. 2, 13 to 16 (inclusive), 25, 29 to 36 (inclusive), 65 to 74 (inclusive), 79, 81, 92 to 96 (inclusive), 109, 111, 112, 120 to 130 (inclusive), 132, 133, 140, and 142 to 444 (inclusive), Township of Rongotea.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing Edward Johnson to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Horse-shoe Bay.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned, Edward Johnson, of Horse-shoe Bay, Stewart Island (hereinafter called "the licensee"), has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), to occupy a part of the foreshore, and the land below low-water mark immediately contiguous to such foreshore, in order to erect and maintain thereon a fish-shed in Horse-shoe Bay, Stewart Island, off the approach to the Horse-shoe Bay Wharf; and, in accordance with the one hundred and fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited a plan in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2140), showing the place in the said bay where it is intended to erect such shed, and the area of foreshore or land below low-water mark intended to be occupied for such purpose: And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that the proposed work will not be or tend to the injury of navigation; and the said plan has, prior to the making of this Order in Council, been approved by the Governor in Council: And whereas it is expedient that a license under the said Act, for the purpose aforesaid, should be granted and issued to the licensee on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

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

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

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore and of the land below low-water mark shown on the said plan marked M.D. 2140.

3. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the licensee shall pay to the Minister the sum of five pounds, and thereafter the annual sum of ten shillings, the first of such annual payments to be made on the licensee being supplied with a copy of this Order in Council.

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

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

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

7. In case the licensee shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said shed for a period of thirty days;
- (3.) Fail to pay the sums specified in clause three of these conditions; or
- (4.) Become bankrupt, or be in any manner brought under the operation of any law in force for the time being relating to bankruptcy.

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Increasing the Holding-area of Land to Settlers in the Longwood Village Settlement, Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, under the authority of section one hundred and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided that the maximum area that could be held by a lessee of lands in the Longwood Village was fifty acres:

And whereas it is expedient to allow any settler in the Village Settlement of Longwood to hold such additional area as with his present holding shall make a total of not exceeding one hundred acres in extent:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Longwood Village shall be held, and doth declare that on and after the date hereof any settler may apply for and acquire land therein of an area not exceeding one hundred acres in extent in the whole; and it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, aforesaid, shall apply, except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Longwood Village Settlement aforesaid.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Terms and Conditions of Lease of Village-homestead Allotments in Otago.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and sixty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that the

Governor in Council may fix the terms and conditions upon which the lands in any village settlement shall be disposed of, subject as in the said section is provided: And whereas by a Proclamation made under the said Act on the sixth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the twelfth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the lands described in the First Schedule hereto have been set apart under the said Act and declared open for lease as village-homestead allotments, and it is expedient to fix the terms and conditions upon which the said lands shall be disposed of:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby fix the terms and conditions upon which the lands mentioned in the First Schedule hereto shall be disposed of by way of lease in perpetuity, and which said terms and conditions are set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, and also doth direct that the lands shall be leased as village-homestead allotments only.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Village-homestead Allotments.—First-class Land.

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

TUAPEKA COUNTY.

Glenkenich ..	18	VIII.	A. R. P.		s. d.		£ s. d.				
			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
" ..	19	"	19	0	19	1	9	6	0	17	2
" ..	20	"	17	3	4	1	7	2	0	14	5
" ..	21	"	22	1	25	1	7	2	0	17	8
" ..	22	"	22	2	25	1	4	8	0	16	2
" ..	22	"	37	2	20	1	0	0	0	19	0
" ..	23	"	28	0	28	1	2	4	0	16	10
" ..	24	"	28	0	16	0	10	8	0	12	8
" ..	25	"	35	0	33	0	9	6	0	14	0

Worked-out bush land; well watered; fairly level; soil fair to good. Situated from one mile and three-quarters to two miles and a half from Tapanui. Altitude, 650 ft. to 1,000 ft.

VINCENT COUNTY.

Lower Hawea ..	56, 57	XII.	10	0	0	0	9	6	0	4	0
" ..	65	"	5	0	0	0	9	6	0	2	0
" ..	66	"	5	0	0	0	9	6	0	2	0

Level land of fair quality; dry. Situated on the Hawea Flat. Valuations for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared: Sections 56 and 57, £81 15s.; Section 65, £43 15s.; Section 66, £4.

MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

Maniototo ..	18	XVI.	19	3	38	1	1	2	0	11	0
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Fairly good land, ploughable. Situated near the Otago Central Railway, about sixteen miles from Naseby and seven miles from Hyde.

TUAPEKA COUNTY.

Rankleburn ..	6	IX.	16	0	0	2	0	0	0	16	0
" ..	7	"	16	0	0	1	9	6	0	14	5
" ..	8	"	16	0	0	1	9	6	0	14	5
" ..	9	"	16	0	0	1	4	8	0	11	3
" ..	10	"	24	2	38	0	9	6	0	10	0
" ..	11	"	22	3	34	0	9	6	0	9	3
" ..	12	"	15	1	20	1	2	4	0	9	0
" ..	13	"	18	0	16	1	4	8	0	12	8
" ..	14	"	19	1	9	1	4	8	0	13	4
" ..	15	"	17	3	35	1	7	2	0	14	5

Worked-out mixed-bush land; soil fair to good; portions cleared. Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 15 are watered, and water can be obtained on the other sections by sinking. Situated about two miles and a half from Tapanui, by good road. Valuation for improvements on Section 6, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £6.

TAIERI COUNTY.

Strath Taieri ..	57	V.	18	0	18	2	5	88	1	2	5
" ..	58	"	21	1	27	1	8	2	0	17	9
" ..	59	"	23	1	35	2	1	24	1	4	3
" ..	61	"	18	2	10	2	0	0	0	19	0
" ..	62	"	21	1	23	1	7	2	0	16	10

Open, undulating land, ploughable. Situated on the Middlemarch-Hyde Road, about five miles from the former locality. The Taieri River lies about half a mile distant,

and the Otago Central Railway skirts the sections on the west. These sections form part of an Otago High School endowment. Valuations for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared: Section 57, £19 15s. 6d.; Section 58, £5 18s.; Section 59, £13 16s.; Section 62, £17 13s. 6d.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

1. The lands enumerated above are first-class lands, and are divided into village-homestead allotments, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").
2. The day on which the lands shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 20th day of October, 1897.
3. The rental stated shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.
4. Applications for leases shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act, and all such applications shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Dunedin; and leases will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.
5. Each applicant shall state his or her residence, occupation, and condition in life (namely, whether married or single), and will be required to make the declaration prescribed in Schedule C of the said Act.
6. Each applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent, together with the lease and registration-fee, immediately the application has been approved or declared successful at the ballot.
7. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided.
8. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in each lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations.
9. No lessee shall subdivide, sublet, or transfer the land held by him under these regulations, except under and subject to the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.
10. No lessee shall hold more than one allotment, and such allotment shall be held for his or her sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.
11. All the provisions of the said Act, so far as applicable, shall extend and apply to the lands affected by these regulations, and to the applications and leases to be made and issued thereunder, and generally to the interests created, and the persons whose rights, liabilities, or interests are thereby affected; and the mention of any particular provision of the said Act shall not be deemed to exclude any other provision of the said Act applicable to the particular case.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 53 acres 3 roods 22 perches, more or less, being Section No. 158, Block XV., Invercargill Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Sections

Nos. 10 and 29 of Block XV., 1068 and 1099 links respectively; towards the east by Section No. 29 of Block XV. and a road-line, 1847 and 1552 links respectively; towards the south-east by Foreshore Reserve, 2245 links; and towards the west by Section No. 34 of Block XV., 3717 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Terms and Conditions of Lease of Village-homestead Allotments in Wellington.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and sixty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that the Governor in Council may fix the terms and conditions upon which the lands in any village settlement shall be disposed of, subject as in the said section is provided: And whereas by a Proclamation made under the said Act on the fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the twelfth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, the lands described in the First Schedule hereto have been set apart under the said Act and declared open for lease as village settlements, and it is expedient to fix the terms and conditions upon which the said lands shall be disposed of:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby fix the terms and conditions on which the lands mentioned in the First Schedule hereto shall be disposed of by way of lease in perpetuity, and which said terms and conditions are set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, and also doth direct that the lands in the said village settlements shall be leased as village-homestead allotments only.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
Village-homestead Allotments.

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

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

County of Horowhenua.

	A.	R.	P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Levin	45	5	2	0	0 14 0 | 1 18 6

Weighted with £134 for improvements.

This section is situated on the main street of Levin Township, close to the Post-office, school, and the main business part of the town. It consists of fair soil on a shingle formation, and is open land.

County of Pahiatua.

Makuri	152	9	3	0	0 2 3 6 0 11 3
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Weighted with £73 5s. for improvements.

This section is situated at Makuri, about 20 chains from the main road, this distance not yet having been formed into a road. The soil is good, on a limestone formation, although there is no flat land on the section.

Pahiatua .. .	15	5	1	27	0 4 9 6 0 13 1
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Weighted with £69 19s. for improvements. There is a liability of £1 17s. 8d. on this section due to the Pahiatua County Council for rates.

This section is situated about a mile from Mangatainoka Township, where there is a Post-office, school, butter-factory, &c., and is approached by a good metalled road. The land consists of alluvial soil, is level, and in grass, although fern and thistle are now getting into it.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

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

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 13th day of October, 1897.

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

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

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

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

7. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided. The next payment will become due on the 1st January, 1898.

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

9. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in each lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations.

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

JOHN DAVIES ENYS,
HENRY WILLIAMSON,
ROBERT COULTHART,
GEORGE RUTHERFORD,
FREDERICK BENHAM, and
WILLIAM O'SHAUGHNESSY

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the first Monday in each month, at seven o'clock p.m., at the office of the Chairman, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Monday, the fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

2. Special meetings may be convened by the Chairman or by any two members of the Board, provided that two days' notice of such meeting be given to each member, specifying

the business to be transacted at such special meeting; and no other business than that so specified shall be transacted at such meeting.

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 100 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 1252, situate in Block XII., Kowai Survey District; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Survey Office, Christchurch.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twelfth section of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred, save as is therein mentioned, to any person or persons, for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order, and that every such delegation may from time to time in like manner be altered or revoked: And whereas, pursuant to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," by an Order in Council of even date herewith, the land described in the Schedule thereto, and being Section No. 158, Block XV., Invercargill Survey District, is declared to be brought under the operation of and to be subject to the provisions of the said "Public Domains Act, 1881":

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

THE INVERCARGILL BOROUGH COUNCIL,

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business once in each month, at the Borough Council Office, Invercargill, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Thursday, the twenty-third day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

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

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

4. The Mayor shall be the Chairman of the Board. He may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote. The Chairman shall hold office until the election of his successor.

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Order in Council defining Special Districts under "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896."

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the several portions of the colony the boundaries of which are defined in the second column of the Schedule hereto shall be special districts for the purposes of the said Act, and that the names of such special districts shall be those in the first column of the Schedule hereto set opposite the several definitions of boundaries.

SCHEDULE.

First Column.	Second Column.
No. 1 District	Bounded on the north by the sea; on the north-east generally by the sea; on the south-east by Rodney County; on the south-west by the sea. Comprising the Counties of Mongonui, Whangaroa, Bay of Islands, Hokianga, Whangarei, Hobson, and Otamatea, and the Borough of Whangarei.
No. 2 District	Bounded on the north-west by the waters of Kaipara Harbour and Otamatea County; on the north-east generally by the waters of Hauraki Gulf and Firth of Thames; on the south generally by Waikato and Raglan Counties; on the south-west by the sea; including the Kermadec Islands, and Great Barrier and all adjacent islands. Comprising the Counties of Rodney, Waitemata, Eden, and Manukau, the Kermadec Islands, and the Great Barrier Island and all adjacent islands, and the Boroughs of Birkenhead, Devonport, Auckland, Parnell, Newmarket, Newton, and Onehunga.
No. 3 District	Bounded on the north by Manukau County; on the east generally by the Counties of Thames, Ohinemuri, Piako, and West Taupo; on the south-east and south by Clifton County; on the west by the sea. Comprising the Counties of Raglan, Waikato, Waipa, and Kawhia, and the Boroughs of Hamilton and Cambridge.
No. 4 District	Bounded on the north generally by the waters of the Firth of Thames, Hauraki Gulf, and Bay of Plenty; on the east by Waiaapu County; on the south-east by Cook and Wairoa Counties; on the south by Hawke's Bay and Wanganui Counties; on the west by the Counties of Clifton, Kawhia, Waipa, and Waikato. Comprising Coromandel, Thames, Ohinemuri, Tauranga, Piako, Rotorua, Whakatane, West Taupo, and East Taupo Counties, and Mayor and Motiti Islands, and Boroughs of Thames and Tauranga.
No. 5 District	Bounded on the north, east, and south-east by the sea; on the south-west by Hawke's Bay County; on the north-west by East Taupo and Whakatane Counties. Comprising Waiaapu, Cook, and Wairoa Counties, and the Borough of Gisborne.
No. 6 District	Bounded on the north generally by East Taupo and Wairoa Counties; on the east by the sea; on the south by Wairarapa North and Pahiatua Counties; on the west generally by Pohangina, Kiwitea, Rangitikei, and Wanganui Counties. Comprising Hawke's Bay, Waipawa, and Patangata Counties, and the Boroughs of Napier, Hastings, Dannevirke, and Woodville.
No. 7 District	Bounded on the north by Kawhia County; on the east by West Taupo and Wanganui Counties, and the Borough of Wanganui; on the south-west by the sea; on the west and north-west generally by the sea. Comprising the Clifton, Taranaki, Stratford, Hawera, Patea, and Waitotara Counties, and the Boroughs of New Plymouth, Hawera, and Patea.

First Column.	Second Column.
No. 8 District	Bounded on the north by West Taupo and East Taupo Counties; on the east by Hawke's Bay and Waipawa Counties; on the south generally by Oroua and Manawatu Counties, and the sea from the mouth of the Rangitikei River to the mouth of the Wanganui River; on the west by Waitotara and Stratford Counties. Comprising the Wanganui, Rangitikei, Kiwitea, and Pohangina Counties, and the Boroughs of Wanganui and Marton.
No. 9 District	Bounded on the north generally by Rangitikei, Kiwitea, and Pohangina Counties; on the east by Pahiatua, Wairarapa North, and Wairarapa South Counties; on the south by Hutt County; on the west by the sea; together with the Boroughs of Onslow, Karori, Wellington, and Melrose. Comprising the Manawatu, Oroua, and Horowhenua Counties, and the islands of Kapiti, Mana, and Chatham, and the Boroughs of Feilding, Palmerston North, and Foxton; together with the Boroughs of Onslow, Karori, Wellington, and Melrose, situate within the boundaries of No. 10 District.
No. 10 District	Bounded on the north by Waipawa and Patangata Counties; on the east generally by the sea; on the south by Cook Strait; on the west generally partly by the sea and partly by Horowhenua and Oroua Counties; excluding from this area the Boroughs of Onslow, Karori, Wellington, and Melrose. Comprising the Pahiatua, Wairarapa North, Wairarapa South, and Hutt Counties, and the Boroughs of Pahiatua, Masterton, Carterton, Greytown, Lower Hutt, and Petone.
No. 11 District	Bounded on the north generally by the sea; on the east by the sea; on the south and south-west by Kaikoura, Amuri, Inangahua, and Buller Counties; on the west by the sea. Comprising Collingwood, Waimea, Sounds, and Marlborough Counties, and the Boroughs of Richmond, Nelson, Picton, and Blenheim.
No. 12 District	Bounded on the north by Collingwood County; on the north-east by Waimea County; on the south-east by Amuri, Selwyn, Ashburton, Mackenzie, Waitaki, Vincent, and Lake Counties; on the south by Lake County; on the west and north-west by the sea. Comprising Buller, Inangahua, Grey, and Westland Counties, and the Boroughs of Westport, Greymouth, Brunner, Kumara, Hokitika, and Ross.
No. 13 District	Bounded on the north generally by Waimea and Marlborough Counties; on the south-east by the sea; on the south and south-west by Selwyn County; on the north-west by Grey and Inangahua Counties. Comprising Kaikoura, Amuri, Cheviot, and Ashley Counties, and the Boroughs of Rangiora and Kaiapoi.
No. 14 District	Bounded on the north-east, south, and west generally by Selwyn County. Comprising the Boroughs of St. Albans, Christchurch, Sydenham, Linwood, and Woolston.
	Bounded on the north by the estuary of the Heathcote River; on the north-east and east by the sea; on the south generally by the waters of Lyttelton Harbour; on the west generally by Selwyn County. Comprising the Boroughs of Sumner and Lyttelton.
	Bounded on the north by Selwyn County; on the east by the sea; on the south by the estuary of the River Avon; on the west by the River Avon and Selwyn County. Comprising the Borough of New Brighton.
No. 15 District	Bounded on the north-east by Ashley County; on the east and south by the sea; on the south-west by Ashburton County; on the north-west by Westland County; excluding from that area the Boroughs of St. Albans, Christchurch, Sydenham, Linwood, Woolston, New Brighton, Sumner, and Lyttelton. Comprising Selwyn and Akaroa Counties, and the Borough of Akaroa.

First Column.	Second Column.
No. 16 District	Bounded on the north and north-east by Selwyn County; on the south-east by the sea; on the south-west by Waimate and Mackenzie Counties; on the north-west by Westland County. Comprising Ashburton, Geraldine, and Levels Counties, and the Boroughs of Ashburton and Timaru.
No. 17 District	Bounded on the north-east by Ashburton, Geraldine, and Levels Counties; on the east by the sea; on the south-west by Waihemo, Maniototo, and Vincent Counties; on the north-west by Westland County. Comprising Mackenzie, Waimate, and Waitaki Counties, and the Boroughs of Waimate, Oamaru, and Hampden.
No. 18 District	Bounded on the north and north-east by Waitaki County; on the east by the sea; on the south generally by the waters of Otago Harbour, and the Boroughs of Port Chalmers, West Harbour, North-east Valley, and Maori Hill, and Taieri and Tuapeka Counties; on the west by Vincent County. Comprising Maniototo, Waihemo, and Waikouaiti Counties, and the Boroughs of Naseby, Palmerston, and Hawksbury.
No. 19 District	Bounded on the north by Waikouaiti County and the waters of Otago Harbour; on the east by the sea; on the south by the sea; on the west by Taieri County. Comprising Peninsula County, and the Boroughs of Port Chalmers, West Harbour, North-east Valley, Maori Hill, Roslyn, Mornington, Dunedin, Caversham, South Dunedin, and St. Kilda.
No. 20 District	Bounded on the north generally by Vincent, Maniototo, Waihemo, and Waikouaiti Counties; on the east by the Boroughs of Maori Hill, Roslyn, Mornington, and Caversham; on the south-east by the sea; on the west by Southland County. Comprising Taieri, Tuapeka, Bruce, and Clutha Counties, and the Boroughs of Green Island, Mosgiel, Roxburgh, Lawrence, Tapanui, Milton, Balclutha, and Kaitangata.
No. 21 District	Bounded on the north generally by Westland County; on the east by Waitaki and Maniototo Counties; on the south generally by Tuapeka, Southland, and Wallace Counties; on the west by the sea. Comprising Lake and Vincent Counties, and the Boroughs of Arrowtown, Queenstown, Cromwell, and Alexandra.
No. 22 District	Bounded on the north by Southland County; on the east by Southland County; on the south by Southland County; on the west by the New River estuary. Comprising the Boroughs of Gladstone, North Invercargill, Arenal, Invercargill, East Invercargill, and South Invercargill. Bounded on the north by Southland County; on the east by the Waikaka and Mataura Rivers; on the south by Southland County; on the west by Southland County. Comprising the Borough of Gore. Bounded on the north by Southland County; on the south-east by the Mataura River; on the east by Southland County; on the south by Southland County; on the west generally by the Waimumu Stream. Comprising the Borough of Mataura. Bounded on the north-east by Wallace County; on the south-east by Wallace County; on the east by the sea; on the south generally by Wallace County; on the west generally by Wallace County and Jacob's River estuary. Comprising the Borough of Riverton. Bounded on the north by Bluff Harbour; on the north-east by Bluff Harbour; on the east by the sea; on the south-east by the sea; on the south by the sea; on the south-west by the sea; on the west by the sea; on the north-west by Southland County. Comprising the Borough of Campbelltown.

First Column.	Second Column.
No. 23 District	Bounded on the north by Lake and Vincent Counties; on the east by Tuapeka and Clutha Counties; on the south by the sea; on the west by the sea; including the Islands of Antipodes, Auckland, and Campbell. Comprising Fiord, Wallace, Southland, and Stewart Island Counties, and the Islands of Antipodes, Auckland, and Campbell.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Part of Table Flat Road through Mangoira-Coal Creek Block to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1882," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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 order that the road known as the Table Flat Road through the Mangoira-Coal Creek Block, described in the Schedule below, and which was made by the Governor under the powers contained in the said Act, and has hitherto been a Government road, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, become a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, situate in the Apiti Survey District, being a road in width not less than 1 chain, containing by admeasurement 23 acres 3 roods 38 perches, more or less, the centre-line of which commences at traverse-peg marked ii., 5459.4 links north and 37234.1 links east of Peep o' Day Trig. Station, and proceeds thence generally in an easterly direction to traverse-peg iv., in the middle of road, 157835.3 links north, and 200029.7 links east of Pohangina Trig. Station, Mount Stewart, a distance of 23984.7 links from the starting-point, and passing between Sections Nos. 9, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, and 16, and Sections Nos. 4, 21, 22, 23, and 25, Block VIII., Apiti Survey District; all in the Pohangina County; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 21034, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Land District of Wellington, and thereon coloured burnt sienna.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Mercury Bay Hospital incorporated.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS a petition, in terms of sections forty-two and forty-three of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," has been presented to His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand from not less than fifty subscribers to the Mercury Bay Hospital, praying that the said hospital may be incorporated as a separate institution under the said Act: And whereas the substance of the said petition was gazetted on the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and no counter-petition has been received by the Colonial Secretary, or objection lodged with him by the District Board, within one month from the date of such publication:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," doth hereby declare the contributors for the time being to the said hospital to be a body politic and corporate by the style and title of "The Mercury Bay Hospital Contributors."

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Appointing District Valuers under "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that each of the several persons named in the Schedule hereto shall be and is hereby appointed to be a District Valuer under the said Act for the district set opposite the name of such person in such Schedule, and who shall hold office in such district under and subject to the terms of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Person.	District for which appointed.
James Irwin Wilson, jun. ..	No. 1 District.
William Henry Wallis ..	No. 3 "
William Garrett ..	No. 4 "
Samuel Hill ..	No. 7 "
Robert Gardner ..	No. 9 "
James Francis Heckler ..	No. 10 "
Edward Kenny ..	No. 11 "
David Dick ..	No. 13 "
John Whitelaw ..	No. 14 "
Lewis Edmund Corsbie ..	No. 15 "
Andrew Allan ..	No. 16 "
Edward Alfred Atkinson ..	No. 17 "
William Lindsay Craig ..	No. 18 "
Arthur John Burns ..	No. 19 "
William Henry Dallas ..	No. 20 "
James George ..	No. 21 "

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Notifying Land in Wellington for Sale by Public Auction.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirteenth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Thursday, the twenty-first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, as the time at which the land enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the price at which the said land shall be sold as that mentioned in the said Schedule hereto opposite the description of such land.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—MANGAONE SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price.
53	VI.	A. R. P. 7 0 35	£ s. d. 18 1 0

This section is situated about three miles and half from Eketahuna, and is approached by a metalled road. An area of about one and a half acres of the section is level, and the soil is good, on a sandstone formation. The timber consists chiefly of rimu, tawa, &c., and a mixed undergrowth.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Intention to change the Purpose of a Reserve in Wellington Land District.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is amongst other things enacted that the Governor

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may declare his intention to make, change, exchange, or alter the dedication of any public reserve now or hereafter vested in Her Majesty or the Governor for any of the purposes named in Class II. of the Schedule to the said Act, whether the same be granted or not; and in the case of any reserve made under the authority of section one hundred and forty-four of "The Land Act, 1877," if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to change the purpose of such reserve or any part thereof from the purpose or presumed purpose for which it was set apart to any other purpose, or if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to exchange any of the land comprised in such reserve for other land of equal value, to be dedicated to one or more purposes named in the said Class II., the Governor may, by notice gazetted, make such change, exchange, or dedication, as the case may be, and in such notice declare the manner and terms in which the same is intended to be so made:

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

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Original Reserve.	Intended Purpose.
All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 7, Township of Palmerston North. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 6; towards the north-east by Section No. 9; towards the south-east by Main Street East; and towards the south-west by Sections Nos. 3, 4, and 5; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. Reserved and set apart for the use of the Public Works Department of New Zealand, on the 20th July, 1871, by Proclamation published in the Wellington Provincial Gazette of the 31st July, 1871.	For a site for buildings and for other purposes of the Department of Agriculture.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Land in the Auckland Land District open for Sale or Selection.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural land described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven; and also that the land mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase or on lease in perpetuity, or, in respect of any land containing or supposed to contain any metal, mineral, or valuable stone, be selected on lease in perpetuity only; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said land shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said land shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—EAST TAUPŌ COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in Block XIII., Tatua Survey District, containing by admeasurement 1,982 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by the Wairakei Block and the Waipuwera Stream; towards the east by the Taupo-Rotorua Road; towards the south by the Rangatira No. 8A Block;

and towards the west by the eastern boundary of Crown land formerly known as the Oruanui Middle Block, to the point of commencement.

Description of land: Open fern and tea-tree land of inferior quality, fronting main Taupo-Rotorua Road, about two miles from Taupo Township.

Cash price, 7s. 6d. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 4s. 5d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 3s. 6d. per acre per annum.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Land in the Marlborough Land District open for Selection.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural land described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on and after the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven; and that the land mentioned in the said Schedule may be selected on lease in perpetuity only, in accordance with the provisions of section one hundred and twenty-one of the said Act, as it contains or is supposed to contain metals, minerals, or valuable stone; and I do hereby also fix the price at which the said land shall be leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said land shall be leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—MARLBOROUGH COUNTY.—ONAMALUTU SURVEY DISTRICT.
Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.		
			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s.	d.	£ s. d.
14	VIII.	395 0 0	0	4 8	3 19 0

Weighted with £28 16s., value of improvements.

Broken pastoral country; fair soil in gullies, poor on hills; 4 acres swamp, remainder fern, scrub, and a little grass. Accessible by road, about thirteen miles from Blenheim, and fifteen miles from Havelock.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Removal of Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the owner of the land described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such land contained in the Crown grant dated the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 50 acres, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, being Section 357 on the plan of the Township of Carnarvon, in the Manawatu District, and being the whole of the land in Crown grant dated 4th February, 1875, in favour of Ateara te Toko, containing

the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor previously obtained to every such sale, lease, or mortgage."

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

JOHN MCKENZIE.

Warrant vesting Control of a Portion of the Great South Road in the East Tamaki Road Board, and apportioning Cost of constructing and maintaining the Same.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," it is provided that the Council of any county may by special order declare that all or any part of any district road shall, from and after a date to be fixed therein, be under the exclusive control of such local authority within the said county as shall be mentioned in such special order, and may by the same special order direct that the cost of constructing and maintaining any such road or part of a road shall be borne by the local authority to which the exclusive control thereof is given, or that a portion of such cost, to be fixed in and by such special order, shall be borne by any other local authority or authorities:

And whereas by the same section it is provided that wherever the operation of "The Counties Act, 1886," or of any Act amending or repealing the same, is suspended, the Governor shall have and may exercise all the functions vested in a County Council under the said section:

And whereas the operation of the Counties Act is suspended in the County of Manukau, and the East Tamaki and Papatoitoi Road Districts are situated within the said county, and the said Road Boards have mutually agreed that East Tamaki Road Board shall have the control of that portion of the Great South Road lying between the said road districts, and that the cost of constructing and maintaining the said portion of road shall be borne in the following proportions, that is to say: The East Tamaki Road Board shall pay eleven-twentieths of the cost, and the Papatoitoi Road Board nine-twentieths of the cost:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the one hundred and seventh section of "The Public Works Act, 1894," do hereby declare and order that from and after the twenty-sixth day of August next the East Tamaki Road Board shall have exclusive control of that portion of the Great South Road which lies between, passes through, or abuts upon the East Tamaki and Papatoitoi Road Districts, and which said portion is situated within the said county, and is part of a district road within the meaning of the last-mentioned Act; and in further pursuance and exercise of the said powers and authorities do hereby direct and order that the cost of constructing and maintaining the said portion of road shall be borne between the East Tamaki Road Board and the Papatoitoi Road Board in the following proportions, that is to say: The East Tamaki Road Board shall pay eleven-twentieths of such cost, and the Papatoitoi Road Board nine-twentieths of such cost.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Election of a Member of the Board of Conciliation for the Wellington Industrial District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that

JAMES WILKIE, of Wellington, Mining Engineer, has been duly elected a member of the Board of Conciliation in and for the Wellington Industrial District, vice Charles Haslam, resigned.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Rural Lands in the Auckland Land District open for Sale or Selection.

JAMES PRENDERGAST, Administrator of the Government.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase or on lease in perpetuity, or, in respect of any land containing or supposed to contain any metal, mineral, or valuable stone, be selected on lease in perpetuity only; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.
AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Hokianga ..	Tutamoe ..	15	V.	360	0	0	0	10	0	180	0	0	0	6	4	10	0
" ..	" ..	16	"	376	0	0	0	10	0	188	0	0	0	6	4	14	0
" ..	" ..	17	"	160	0	0	0	10	0	80	0	0	0	6	2	0	0
" ..	" ..	18	"	162	0	0	0	10	0	81	0	0	0	6	2	0	6
" ..	" ..	19	"	145	0	0	0	10	0	72	10	0	0	6	1	16	3
" ..	" ..	20	"	252	0	0	0	10	0	126	0	0	0	6	3	3	0
" ..	" ..	21	"	253	0	0	0	10	0	126	10	0	0	6	3	3	0
" ..	" ..	22	"	156	0	0	0	10	0	78	0	0	0	6	1	19	0
" ..	" ..	23	"	161	2	0	0	10	0	81	0	0	0	6	2	0	6
" ..	" ..	24	"	165	2	0	0	10	0	83	0	0	0	6	2	1	6
" ..	" ..	25	"	149	0	0	0	10	0	74	10	0	0	6	1	17	3

All mixed forest lands, and well watered; soil clay to alluvial. Situated about twelve miles from Opanake Railway-station.

Raglan ..	Awaroa ..	1	VI.	617	0	0	0	10	0	308	10	0	0	6	7	14	3
" ..	" ..	2	"	508	1	0	0	10	0	254	0	0	0	6	6	7	0
" ..	" ..	3	"	560	0	0	0	10	0	280	0	0	0	6	7	0	0
" ..	" ..	4	"	465	1	0	0	12	0	279	0	0	0	7-2	6	19	6
" ..	" ..	5	"	579	0	0	0	9	0	260	11	0	0	5-4	6	10	4
" ..	" ..	7	"	476	1	0	0	10	0	238	0	0	0	6	5	19	0
" ..	" ..	9	"	286	2	0	0	10	0	143	10	0	0	6	3	11	9
" ..	" ..	10	"	588	1	0	0	10	0	293	0	0	0	6	7	6	6
" ..	" ..	11	"	524	0	0	0	10	0	262	0	0	0	6	6	11	0

All forest lands, broken to undulating, and well watered; soil is a limestone clay, and volcanic, suitable for pastoral purposes. The block is situated about twenty-five miles from Rangiriri Railway-station, and twelve miles and a half from Glen Murray Post-office. A bridle-track is now being formed into the block.

Hokianga ..	Mangamuka	1	III.	114	2	0	0	10	0	57	10	0	0	6	1	8	9	
About 60 acres mixed-bush land; balance fern- and teatree-clad. Situated about nine miles from Kohukohu by river.																		
Hokianga ..	Mangamuka	13	VII.	421	3	0	0	7	6	158	5	0	0	4-5	3	19	2	
About four miles and a half from Kohukohu, and accessible by Orira River. Comprises about 160 acres mixed bush.																		
Mangonui	Whangaroa	1	II.	200	0	0	0	7	6	75	0	0	0	4-5	1	17	6	
Nearly all forest land, well watered. Situated one mile from coast, and about five miles from Whangaroa.																		
Bay of Islds.	Omapere ..	2	VI.	139	1	12	0	5	0	47	5	0	0	3	1	3	8	
" ..	" ..	3	"	196	1	0	0	5	0	49	0	0	0	3	1	4	6	
" ..	" ..	2	II.	334	0	0	0	5	0	83	10	0	0	3	2	1	9	
" ..	" ..	9	VII.															

Section 2, Block VI., principally undulating land; clay soil, covered with mixed forest. Section 3, undulating land, well watered; clay soil; 50 acres fern land, balance mixed forest. Sections 2, Block II., and 9, Block VII., about one-third mixed forest; balance open fern land, and well watered, but part stony. These lands lie about two miles from Okaihau Settlement.

Bay of Islds.	Hukerenui	23	V.	37	3	20	0	7	6	14	5	0	0	4-5	0	7	3
" ..	" ..	17	VI.	50	0	0	0	7	6	18	15	0	0	4-5	0	9	6

Section 23, open undulating land; clay soil. Section 17, swampy land. Both lots situated at Hukerenui North, and accessible by formed coach-road.

Manukau ..	Papakura*	35	..	212	0	0	0	12	0	127	4	0	0	7-2	3	3	9	
Open swampy land, covered with tea-tree, flax, and gorse; situated about one mile from Papakura Railway-station.																		

Otamatea ..	Mareretu*	172	..	80	0	0	0	10	0	40	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	
Generally open fern land, of good quality, with a few scattered kauri-trees, say, 100,000 sup. ft. of timber; access by road, about five miles from Maungaturoto Post-office. Subject to £75 for fencing and grassing.																		

Whangarei	Opuawhanga	6	I.	40	0	0	0	7	6	15	0	0	0	4-5	0	7	6	
Very broken land; clay soil; generally burnt bush; land well watered. Situated in the valley, two miles from Helena Bay.																		

Whangarei	Waipu*	61A	..	31	2	16	0	5	0	8	0	0	0	3	0	4	0	
Open land; three miles and a half from Helena Bay.																		

Whangarei	Maungakarama*	S. 24	..	65	2	0	0	18	0	59	8	0	0	10-8	1	9	9	
Open and forest land; good soil; but with no road-access, being surrounded by lands Crown-granted. Selector must therefore make his own arrangements for a road. The land is situated about two miles from Maungakarama Post-office.																		

Whangarei	Waikielie*	79	..	61	0	0	0	10	0	30	10	0	0	6	0	15	3	
All open land, accessible by formed road; about eight miles from Mangapai.																		

Whangarei	Waipu*	339	..	250	0	0	0	15	0	187	10	0	0	9	4	13	9
" ..	" ..	346	..	52	0	0	0	7	0	18	4	0	0	4-5	0	9	3

Section 339, forest land, well watered, and accessible by road from Waipu Entrance, about three miles and a half. The section contains about seventy kauri-trees. Section 346, forest land, about three miles from Waipu Entrance.

* Parish.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Wellington, and Canterbury.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the lands in the Land Districts of Auckland, Wellington, and Canterbury enumerated in the first column of the Schedule hereto, for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule, and opposite the descriptions of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column. Purpose for which Land reserved.			Record Number.
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.				
Auckland ..	Hukerenui S.D. ..	32a	V.	A. R. P. 7 0 0	Public-school site ..	..	36593
" ..	Opotiki Town ..	Lot 2 of Sec. 2	..	1 0 0	Site for County Council offices ..	..	35995
" ..	Otau Village ..	Lots 14, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, of Sec. 1	..	0 3 33	Public recreation-ground ..	..	36613
" ..	" ..	Lots 41, 42, and 43 of Sec. 1	..	0 1 14	" ..	..	"
Wellington	Rakaunui Village ..	5	..	1 0 0	Site for a library and mechanics' institute	..	36425	
Canterbury	Southbridge S.D. ..	3192 (in red)	III.	486 0 0	As a sanctuary for native game ..	..	36524
"	Spaxton S.D. ..	3193 "	IV.	2 0 0	Gravel reserve ..	..	36694
"	" ..	3194 "	"	2 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	Corwar S.D. ..	3195 "	I.	2 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	" ..	3196 "	"	3 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	" ..	3197 "	"	2 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	" ..	3198 "	II.	10 0 0	Public recreation-ground ..	..	36554
"	" ..	3199 "	"	5 0 0	Public cemetery ..	..	"
"	" ..	3200 "	"	2 0 0	Gravel reserve ..	..	36694
"	" ..	3201 "	"	2 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	" ..	3202 "	"	2 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	" ..	3203 "	"	2 0 0	" ..	..	"
"	" ..	3204 "	"	2 0 0	" ..	..	"

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands in the Marlborough Land District open for Sale or Selection.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase or on lease in perpetuity, or, in respect of any land containing or supposed to contain any metal, mineral, or valuable stone, be selected on lease in perpetuity only; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

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.
Marlborough	Heringa ..	26	V.	A. R. P. 57 3 24	£ s. d. 0 15 0	£ s. d. 43 8 6	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 1 1 9	s. d. 0 7	£ s. d. 0 17 4
		27	"	57 3 24	0 15 0	43 8 6	0 9	1 1 9	0 7	0 17 4
		28	"	57 3 0	0 15 0	43 6 3	0 9	1 1 8	0 7	0 17 4
		29	"	57 2 0	0 15 0	43 2 6	0 9	1 1 7	0 7	0 17 3

Partly hill, and partly terrace and flat, covered with mixed bush; soil good on lower flats skirting the stream, poor on hills. Situated within half a mile of the main road from Havelock to Nelson, and distant about fourteen miles from Havelock.

Marlborough| Wakamarina | 38 | X. | 64 0 0 | 0 7 6 | 24 0 0 | 0 4½ | 0 12 0 | 0 3-6 | 0 9 8

Five acres light bush, remainder fern and scrub; well watered; broken pastoral country; poor, rocky soil. Accessible by road, six miles from Havelock.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Marlborough, and Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the lands in the Land Districts of Auckland, Marlborough, and Southland described in the Schedule hereto, for the purposes in the said Schedule specified at the end of the description of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres and 20 perches, more or less, being part of Kawhia K No. 1 Block, situated in Kawhia North Survey District. Bounded towards the south by Rosamond Terrace, 709 links; towards the west by lines, 302 and 485 links; towards the north by lines, 108 and 102 links; and towards the east by lines, 157, 116, 121, 245, and 46 links. For a Native-school site.

MARLBOROUGH.

All those parcels of land in the Marlborough Land District, being Section No. 7, Block I., Arapawa Survey District, containing 280 acres; Sections Nos. 24, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40, containing 3 acres each, and Section No. 35, containing 3 acres and 5 perches, Block I. aforesaid; Section No. 7A, Block II., Arapawa Survey District, containing 768 acres 2 roods 3 perches, more or less; Sections Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21, containing 3 acres each, and Section No. 22, containing 3 acres and 20 perches, Block II. aforesaid; Section No. 10, Block VI., Gore Survey District, containing 492 acres, and Sections Nos. 13, 14, 15, and 16, Block VI. aforesaid, containing 3 acres each; Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, and 48, Block VII., Gore Survey District, containing 3 acres each, and Section No. 49, containing 1,328 acres, Block VII. aforesaid; Sections Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 39, 41, 45, 46, 48, 49, 51, and 52, Block VIII., Gore Survey District, containing 3 acres each; Section No. 12, containing 2 acres 3 roods 30 perches, Section No. 35, containing 2 acres 2 roods 35 perches, Sections Nos. 37, 38, 43, and 47, containing 2 acres 3 roods 30 perches each, Sections Nos. 40 and 42, containing 2 acres 3 roods 25 perches each, Section No. 44, containing 2 acres 3 roods 20 perches, and Section No. 50, containing 1,775 acres, Block VIII. aforesaid; Sections Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, Block X., Gore Survey District, containing 3 acres each, and Section No. 12, Block X. aforesaid, containing 373 acres; Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 32, Block XI., Gore Survey District, containing 3 acres each; Section No. 5, containing 3 acres 1 rood, Section No. 30, containing 3 acres 18 perches, Section No. 31, containing 2 acres 3 roods 6 perches, Section No. 33, containing 2 acres 3 roods 22 perches, Section No. 34, containing 3 acres 29 perches, and Section No. 35, containing 761 acres, Block XI. aforesaid; Section No. 2, Block XII., Gore Survey District, containing 74 acres; Sections Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28, containing 3 acres each, Section No. 14, containing 256 acres, and Section No. 22, containing 242 acres, Block XII. aforesaid: as the same are more particularly delineated on plans marked S.G. 14211, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District. For the use and support of aboriginal natives.

SOUTHLAND.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 4 acres, more or less, being part of Section No. 533, Hokonui Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road, 800 links; towards the south-east by part of said Section No. 533, 500 links; towards the south-west by part of said Section No. 533, 800 links; and towards the north-west by part of said Section No. 533, 500 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited

in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill. For a public cemetery.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Landing-place appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint that, from and after the date hereof, the wharf known as

THE QUAY STREET JETTY No. 3

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

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

Governor's Order No. 152.]

Trustee for Huirangi Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

ROBERT WELLS

to be a Trustee, in the place of William J. Cleave, resigned, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Huirangi 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 Governor, this nineteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 20th August, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

LOUIS VICTOR RASMUSSEN

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Dipton, vice Robert Beatson Ross, on and from the 18th August, 1897.

W. C. WALKER.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 20th August, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor 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.
WILLIAM PARLANE ..	.. Campbelltown.
EDWARD JOHN COMER ..	.. Rakaia.

W. C. WALKER.

Rangers under the Animals Protection Acts, Canterbury and South Canterbury Districts, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Rangers under "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, for the districts set respectively opposite their names, viz. :—

Name.	District.
JAMES CLOTHIER ..	.. Canterbury.
FRANK SMITH ..	.. South Canterbury.

J. CARROLL.

Officers under "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," Canterbury and South Canterbury Districts, appointed.

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

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section 9 of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," the under-mentioned persons have been appointed Officers for the purposes of that Act for the districts set respectively opposite their names, viz.:-

Name and Address.	District.
JAMES CLOTHIER, of Kaiapoi	For that part of the Provincial District of Canterbury to the north of and including the Rakaia River, and for the waters of the Clarence River which are within the County of Marlborough.
FRANK SMITH, of Mona Vale, Albany	For the South Canterbury District, comprising the Counties of Mackenzie, Geraldine, and Levels.

J. CARROLL.

Commissioners of Native Land Court appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOSEPH WILLIAM POYNTON, Esq., S.M.,
of Invercargill, to be a Commissioner of the Native Land Court; and

WILLIAM ARTHUR THOM, Esq.,
of Wairoa, to be a Sub-Commissioner of the Native Land Court.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
For Native Minister.

Ranger of Crown Lands, Canterbury, appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 23rd August, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

KENNETH BURNS BAIN
to be a Ranger of Crown Lands for the Land District of Canterbury.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Official Visitor, Porirua Lunatic Asylum, appointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 25th August, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK BRADEY, Esq., J.P.,
to be an Official Visitor of the Lunatic Asylum at Porirua, under "The Lunatics Act, 1882," and "The Lunatics Act Amendment Act, 1894."

W. C. WALKER.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

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

Invercargill City Guards Volunteers.
Robert Henry Hogg to be Surgeon-Captain. Date of commission, 23rd July, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer transferred to Reserve Corps.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

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

Lieutenant-Commanding CORNELIUS LITTLE
from the Auckland Naval Artillery Volunteers to the Auckland District Reserve Corps, and with effect from the 12th August, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer transferred to Reserve Corps.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

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

Captain EDWARD CUTTEN

from the Temuka Rifle Volunteers to the Canterbury District Reserve Corps, and with effect from the 27th July, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Levée at Government House, Auckland.

Government House,
Wellington, 19th August, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor will hold a levée at Government House, Auckland, on Friday, 27th August, 1897, at 12 o'clock. Full dress.

By command.

DUDLEY ALEXANDER, Captain,
Private Secretary.

Gentlemen attending the levée will wear uniform or evening dress. Those having cards for the private entrée are requested to attend not later than 11.50 a.m. Each gentleman is requested to bring two cards, on each of which his name must be distinctly written: one of these cards is to be given up in the hall, and the other is to be handed to the officer announcing the names to His Excellency.

DUDLEY ALEXANDER, Captain,
Private Secretary.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Mangamui Road District, County of Stratford.

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

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

J. CARROLL.

MANGANUI ROAD BOARD.

RESULT of poll of ratepayers of the Salisbury Road Special Rating Area, taken on Monday, 9th August, 1897, upon the proposal—To raise a loan of £1,400, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," for the purpose of metalting the Salisbury Road from its junction with the Beaconsfield Road northwards a distance of about four miles. To strike as security on this loan a special rate of 1½d. in the pound over the following lands, namely: Sections 19, Block IX.; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, Block X.; 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, Block XIII.; 1, 2, 3, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, Block XIV., Huiroa Survey District:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 29; number of votes exercisable, 30: Number of votes recorded for the proposal, 20; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 1.

I therefore declare the proposal carried.

J. MACKAY,
Chairman.

Alterations to the Scale of Fares, Rates, and Charges in Force upon the New Zealand Government Railways.

IN pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling me under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and any amendment thereof, and also of "The Government Railways Act, 1894," I, John McKenzie, acting for the Minister for Railways, do hereby make the following alterations in the scale of fares, rates, and charges in force on the New Zealand Government railways open for traffic, such alterations to come into force on and after the 1st day of September, 1897:—

PART I.—PASSENGERS: GENERAL FARES AND REGULATIONS.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS SEASON AND COMMUTATION TICKETS.

Technical schools season tickets, available for any distance not exceeding fifty-five miles, and for three months from date of issue, will be issued to *bonâ fide* students and scholars not exceeding twenty years of age attending technical schools or classes registered with the Minister of Education, or the school of any *bonâ fide* teacher of music, subject to the following conditions:—

The tickets will only be available for use when the holder is proceeding to or from the technical or music school for the purpose of receiving tuition.

The days upon which tuition will be received must be the same in each week, and be stated in the certificate, and duly inscribed on the ticket.

The certificate of attendance at foot of ticket must be signed by certifying teacher on each day that holder of ticket attends the school.

The tickets are not transferable.
They will be charged as follows:—

	First Class.	Second Class.
For students and scholars not exceeding sixteen years of age	30s.	10s.
For students and scholars over sixteen but not exceeding twenty years of age	40s.	20s.

Twenty-trip commutation tickets, available for ten outward and ten return trips, and for three months from date of issue, will be issued to *bonâ fide* students and scholars attending technical schools or classes (including music-schools) registered with the Minister of Education.

The name of the purchaser, and the days of the week upon which tuition will be received, must be duly inscribed on the ticket, which will be available only for use by the purchaser when travelling to or from the technical school or class for the purpose of receiving tuition. If used for any other purpose the ticket will be forfeited.

Any portion of the ticket punched, detached, or not used before the date on which the ticket expires will not be available for use.

The certificate of attendance attached to the ticket must be signed by the certifying teacher on each day that holder of ticket attends the school.

The tickets are not transferable.
They will be charged as follows:—

Miles.	First Class.	Second Class.	Miles.	First Class.	Second Class.
	s. d.	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.
2	5 0	2 6	12	21 8	10 10
3	6 8	3 4	13	23 4	11 8
4	8 4	4 2	14	25 0	12 6
5	10 0	5 0	15	26 8	13 4
6	11 8	5 10	16	28 4	14 2
7	13 4	6 8	17	30 0	15 0
8	15 0	7 6	18	31 8	15 10
9	16 8	8 4	19	33 4	16 8
10	18 4	9 2	20	35 0	17 6
11	20 0	10 0			

Applications for technical schools season and commutation tickets must be accompanied by a certificate in the following form, signed by the director of the technical school or class or the teacher of music-school:—

I hereby certify that A.B., residing at _____, whose age is _____ years _____ months, is a *bonâ fide* student or scholar in attendance at _____ Technical [Music] School [Class]*, and request that a † _____ class ticket, available for use on § _____, be issued to enable ‖ _____ to attend the Technical [Music] School [Class]; and I undertake to keep a roll of the attendance at the school [class], such roll to be open for inspection by any officer of the Railway Department. The attendance of A.B. at the school [class] will be certified by Mr. _____, whose signature appears at the foot hereof.

[Signature of certifying teacher.]

*Insert "duly registered with Minister of Education" where school is so registered. †Insert class of ticket. ‡Insert "technical schools season" or "technical schools twenty-trip." §Insert day of week on which tuition will be received. ‖Insert "him" or "her."

Technical schools season and commutation tickets will be issued conditionally on a roll of attendance being kept at each technical or music school or class, such roll to be open for inspection by any officer of the Railway Department deputed for that purpose.

PART II.—LUGGAGE, PARCELS, HORSES, ETC.

Cancelled.—Safety small-arm cartridges, in packages not exceeding 14 lb. in weight, properly packed, will be charged single parcel rate. Cartridges other than safety small-arm will not be carried as parcels.

Packages containing dangerous goods (other than fuse, gunpowder, and safety small-arm cartridges, in packages not exceeding 14 lb., properly packed according to trade usage) will not be accepted for carriage through Parcels Department, but must in all cases be forwarded through Goods Department at goods rates.

Cartridges, safety small-arm, packed, will be charged single parcels rates.

Packages containing dangerous goods other than fuse, safety small-arm cartridges, and gunpowder, will not be accepted for carriage through Parcels Department. The maximum quantity of gunpowder accepted for carriage through Parcels Department by any one train will be 14 lb.

PART III.—GOODS REGULATIONS.

Food-products for Charitable Institutions.

Food-products donated to charitable institutions will be conveyed over the New Zealand Government railways at owner's risk at half-rates.

Written application for this concession, supported by the recommendation of a Charitable Aid Board, must in all cases be made to District Manager before the goods are presented for carriage.

(5.) CLASS F.—HAY, TURNIPS, ETC.

Lime, native produce, in truck-loads of 6 tons, will be charged at the following rates, viz.:—

1 to 30 miles	..	At the classified rates for Class F.
31 to 150 miles	..	3d. per truck per mile added to the rate for 30 miles.
Over 150 miles	..	1s. 3d. per truck for every five miles or fractional part thereof added to the rate for 150 miles.

Quantities under 6 tons will be charged as Class Q if cheaper than the above rates. The minimum quantity to be charged as Class Q will be 4 tons; any less quantity will be charged as such minimum, or as Class E (actual weight), single rate.

PART V.—CLASSIFICATION OF GOODS, LIVE-STOCK, PARCELS, AND LUGGAGE.

Cancelled.—Packages containing "dangerous goods" (other than fuse, gunpowder, and safety small-arm cartridges, in packages not exceeding 14 lb. in weight, and properly packed according to trade usage) will not be accepted for carriage through the Parcels Department, but must in all cases be forwarded through Goods Department at goods rates.

Packages containing dangerous goods other than fuse, safety small-arm cartridges, and gunpowder, will not be accepted for carriage through Parcels Department. The maximum quantity of gunpowder accepted for carriage through Parcels Department by any one train will be 14 lb.

As witness my hand, this twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Acting for Minister for Railways.

New Zealand Hemp.—Notice No. 478.

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

THE time for receiving applications for the bonuses mentioned in Notice No. 430 has been extended to 31st December, 1897.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

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

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

Bonus No. 1.

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

The following are the conditions:—

1. All applications for the bonus must be sent addressed to the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington, and must reach him not later than the 31st December, 1897. Each application must be accompanied by a description of the machine or process, particularly stating improvements on present machines or processes, and also the cost at which the machine or process can be supplied.

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

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

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

The following shall be the basis of the test:—

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

The committee shall take into consideration—

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

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

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

The cost of producing the same;

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

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

(1.) The machine or process which they consider on the whole the most efficient and economic.

(2.) Whether they consider that any machine or process tested so materially reduces the cost of production, or improves the product, as to be worthy of the whole bonus or of a part only.

(3.) Whether, in the event of no one machine or process being entitled to the whole bonus, they deem any machine or process worthy of a part of the bonus, and, if so, how much.

BONUS No. 2.

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

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

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Officiating Ministers for 1897.—Notice No. 19.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 23rd August, 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 name of an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is published for general information:—

Primitive Methodist Connexion.

The Reverend Percy James Cossum.
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 15 acres, more or less, being Rural Section 32884, Block X., Alford Survey District, in the Provincial District of Canterbury. The last registered owner is Charles Henry Botter, described as of Ashburton, farmer, and in the local rate-roll he is called Charles Henry Boulter, of Mount Somers, but of whom nothing can be traced.

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 19th day of August, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Tenders for Post-office Pillar-boxes.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 23rd August, 1897.

TENDERS will be received at the General Post Office, Wellington, until the 15th proximo, for the manufacture and supply of twelve (12) iron pillar letter-boxes.

Plans and specifications may be seen at this office and the Chief Post Offices, Auckland, Thames, Christchurch, and Dunedin.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

Tender.

Railway Department (Head Office),
Wellington, 25th August, 1897.

THE following accepted tender is published for general information.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, N.Z. Railways.

SUPPLY OF CYLINDERS FOR RANGITIKEI RIVER BRIDGE.

	Amount of Tender.
S. Luke and Co., Wellington	£3,020 0 0

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 Poupoutahi Block; thence easterly along that road to where it crosses the railway-line; thence northerly along the railway-line to the point of commencement.

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

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

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 Pongahau 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 Pongahau 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.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 21st August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned kauri timber, standing upon Crown land in Blocks II. and III., Maungataniwha Survey District, Mangonui County, will be offered for sale at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on Friday, the 8th day of October, 1897, at 11 a.m.

Clump.	Number of Trees.	Number of Superficial Feet.	Upset Price.
A	81	235,239	£ s. d. 73 10 0
B	101	250,756	78 7 6
C	14	33,419	10 8 9
D	108	268,669	83 19 5
E	19	44,069	13 15 8
F	30	74,948	23 8 1
G	104	274,669	85 16 11
H	34	90,928	28 8 1
I	217	564,181	176 6 3
J	33	131,676	41 3 1

NOTE.—This timber is situated on the head branches of a stream flowing into the Oruaiti River, the confluence being about three miles from Mongonui.

Terms, cash for each separate clump; or, if taken by one purchaser, then half cash and balance in twelve months. Two years given for removal of timber.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 24th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease, upon application at this office, on and after Wednesday, the 20th day of October, 1897, at the half-yearly rentals stated.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
TUAPEKA COUNTY.					
Benger	7, 10, 11	XIII.	809 3 16	0 4	£ s. d. 6 15 0

Good land, fairly well watered; situated about ten miles from Miller's Flat Post-office. About 120 acres have been cultivated, and the remainder is in tussock. Valuation for improvements, to be lodged with the application or paid immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £285 5s.

MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

Run No.	Area.	R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Gimmerburn 225v	644 0 0	0 6	8 1 0	
" 225x	320 0 0	0 5	3 6 8	
" 225z	363 0 0	0 5	3 15 8	

Hilly pastoral country, watered; situated twelve miles from the proposed Eweburn Railway-station, and about six miles from Gimmerburn Post-office. Accessible by a fairly good road. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,300 ft. Valuations for improvements, payable with applications or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, are—Run 225v, £7 2s. 6d.; Run 225x, £12 11s.; Run 225z, £6 16s.

TAIERI COUNTY.

Leestream & Hedgehope	260A	..	3,790 0 0	0 3	23 13 9
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Open pastoral country, precipitous and broken along the Deep Stream, but the greater portion easy rolling country, with a northern aspect; well watered by the Deep Stream and numerous creeks. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £30.

Leestream..	260B	..	3,083 0 0	0 3	19 5 5
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Open pastoral country, mostly easy rolling country, with steep faces along the Deep Stream; well watered by numerous streams. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £68 2s.

Leestream..	260C	..	1,314 0 0	0 4	10 19 0
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Open pastoral country, hilly, with flats along the Deep Stream; watered by the Deep Stream and other smaller creeks. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £32 15s.

Runs 260A, 260B, and 260C are situated on the main Dunstan Road, about twenty-eight miles from Outram.

Leestream..	260D	..	2,180 0 0	0 4	18 3 4
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Open pastoral country, watered by the Lee Stream and other smaller creeks; situated sixteen miles from Outram by main road. Altitude, 1,500 ft. to 1,700 ft. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £122 8s.

Leestream..	260E	..	1,167 0 0	0 4	9 14 6
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Open pastoral country, principally easy rolling ridges; well watered by numerous streams; situated sixteen miles from Outram by main road. Altitude, 1,500 ft. to 1,800 ft. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £103 19s.

VINCENT AND MANIOTOTO COUNTIES.

Poolburn ..	261H	..	3,170 0 0	0 7	46 4 7
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VINCENT COUNTY.

Poolburn ..	261I	..	3,727 0 0	0 7	54 7 1
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About two-thirds hilly pastoral country, remainder fairly good agricultural land; well watered; accessible by good roads. Distance from Ophir, nine miles. Altitude, 1,400 ft. to 3,500 ft. Valuation for improvements on Run 261H, £41 5s.

TUAPEKA COUNTY.

Section.	Area.	R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Waipori { 1 to 5 and 2, 4, 5	VII. VIII.	1,967 0 32	0 4 1/2	18 8 10

Low undulating land, well watered, and grassed; situated about fourteen miles from Lawrence. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £135 15s.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Wellington District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 21st August, 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 13th October, 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.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

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

FIRST- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Kakariki Block.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.							
Wairarapa N.	Tararua ..	11†	IV.	200	0	0	0	16	6	0	0	9	9	4	2	6	0	7	92	3	6	0			
The Eketahuna Road Board has a claim of £1 2s. for rates due on this section.																									
Wairarapa N.	Tararua ..	17†	IV.	200	0	0	0	14	0	0	140	0	0	0	8	4	3	10	0	0	6	7	2	16	0
The Eketahuna Road Board has a claim of £1 2s. for rates due on this section.																									
Wairarapa N.	Mangaone	19*	I.	200	0	0	0	16	6	0	365	0	0	1	9	9	9	2	6	1	5	5	7	6	0
The Eketahuna Road Board has a claim of £1 2s. for rates due on this section.																									

Section 11, Block IV., Tararua, is situated in the Kakariki Block, and comprises fairly level and easy-sloping land along its road-frontage, but getting more hilly and broken towards the back. The soil is fair, on a shingle and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, kahikatea, rata, &c., the undergrowth being of supplejack, lawyer, &c. The section is distant about four miles from Hukanui Railway-station, from which place it is approached by a cleared and partly-formed road. At Hukanui there is a store, school, post-office, &c.

Section 17, Block IV., Tararua, is situated in the Kakariki Block, on the West Road, and comprises hilly and broken land. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, kahikatea, rata, &c., the undergrowth being of supplejack, lawyer, &c. The section is distant about five miles from Hukanui Railway-station. There is a cleared road to within one mile of the section.

Section 19, Block I., Mangaone, is situated in the Kakariki Block, on the Kakariki Road, and is flat, with a good position and road-frontage. The soil is fair, on a shingle formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, kahikatea, &c., the undergrowth being supplejack, lawyer, ground-fern, &c. The section is distant about two miles from Hukanui Railway-station, from which place it is approached by a cleared and partially-formed road.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Woodville Block.

Wairarapa N.	Puketoi ..	8	VIII.	200	0	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0
This section is situated in the Woodville Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, and comprises high undulating land. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, tawa, rata, kahikatea, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about twenty-five miles from Alfredton by a formed dray-road. It is about a mile from the junction of the Alfredton-Weber Road with the Makuri-Aohanga Road, and is at the junction of the first-named road with the Huia Road.																								

Christchurch Block.

Wairarapa N.	Puketoi ..	7	IV.	200	0	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	
"	"	4	"	200	0	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	5	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0
"	"	8	"	200	0	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	

Section 8 is weighted with £20 for improvements.

Section 7, Block IV., Puketoi, is situated in the Christchurch Block, on the Makuri-Aohanga Road, and comprises flat and undulating land, the frontage to the road being low, undulating, and well watered. The soil is fair on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, kahikatea, a few totara, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, mahoe, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about one mile and a half from the main road by the Makuri-Aohanga Road, which is bridged and open for horse traffic, and by a 6 ft. bridle-track. The section is also distant about ten miles and a half from Makuri Township, six miles of which distance is a formed and partly-metalled dray-road, and the remainder a 6 ft. bridle-track.

Section 4, Block IV., Puketoi, is situated in the Christchurch Block, on the Makuri-Aohanga Road, and comprises rough and broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a sandstone and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rata, rimu, kahikatea, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being supplejack, &c. The section is distant about three miles from the main road (Alfredton-Weber), which is a formed dray-road, by the Makuri-Aohanga Road, which is bridged and open for horse traffic, and by a 6 ft. bridle-road. The section is also distant about nine miles from Makuri Township, six miles of which distance is a formed and partly-metalled dray-road, and the remainder a 6 ft. bridle-track.

Section 8, Block IV., Puketoi, is also situated in the Christchurch Block, on the main road (Alfredton-Weber), which is a formed dray-road, and, generally speaking, comprises undulating land. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, kahikatea, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about two miles from Rakaunui Village Settlement. There are 8 acres cleared and in grass, together with a small whare on the section.

FIRST- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Pahiatua No. I. Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	6†	V.	100	0	0	0	1	2	6	112	10	0	1	1	5	2	16	3	0	10	8	2	5	0
"	"	32*	"	200	0	0	0	1	17	6	375	0	0	1	10	5	9	7	6	1	6	7	10	0	

The right to take timber from these sections is reserved by the Crown up to 31st December, 1897.

Section 6, Block V., is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Block, on the Waihi Road, and comprises low flat spurs on the road-frontage, rising steeply to the back line. It is watered by permanent streams. The soil is fair, on a sandstone formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, totara, &c. The undergrowth is very open, and consists of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about twenty miles from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, thirteen miles bridle-track, and two miles pack-track.

Section 32, Block V., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, and comprises comparatively flat or sloping land, easy of access from any point. It is well watered by a permanent stream. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, totara, &c., with an open undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about three miles from Pongaroa by a formed dray-road.

* First-class land.

† Second-class land.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Pahiatua No. II. Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	Section	Block	A. R. P.			£ s. d.			s. d.			£ s. d.											
				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.										
		27†	VI.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
		1†	X.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
		4†	"	259	0	0	1	5	0	323	15	0	1	3	8	1	11	1	0	1	0	6	9	6
		10†	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
		19*	"	200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	0
		22†	"	259	0	0	1	0	0	259	0	0	1	0	6	19	6	0	9	6	5	3	7	
		28*	"	259	0	0	2	0	0	518	0	0	2	0	12	19	0	1	7	2	10	7	3	

Section 27, Block VI., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Waihoru Road, and comprises a small amount of fairly good frontage, with very rough and steep slopes, broken by deep gullies and watered by a permanent stream. The soil is fair, on a sandstone and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, totara, rata, matai, &c., the undergrowth being very dense, and composed of supplejack, rangiora, &c. The section is distant about nine miles from Pongaroa, five miles being a dray-road and four miles a road which has been surveyed only.

Section 1, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Kawakawa Road, and comprises very rough land, which is liable to slip. It is watered by a stream. The soil is fair, on a sandstone formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, totara, matai, &c., the undergrowth being composed of dense rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about eight miles from Pongaroa, five miles being a dray-road and three miles a road which is surveyed only.

Section 4, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Kaituna Road, and comprises good spurs and gullies. It is easy of access. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation; well watered by a permanent stream; and covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, totara, rimu, matai, rata, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about eight miles from Pongaroa, five miles being a dray-road and three miles a road which is surveyed only.

Section 10, Block X., is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Kaituna Road, and comprises rough land, with no homestead-site near the road, and steep spurs and gullies at the back. It is watered by a permanent stream. The soil is fair, on a sandstone and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, rata, matai, &c., the undergrowth being supplejack, rangiora, lawyers, &c. The section is distant about eight miles from Pongaroa, five miles being a dray-road and three miles a road which is surveyed only.

Section 19, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Akaroa Road, and consists of easy spurs running back into broken country. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation, and is covered with light forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, hinau, &c., the undergrowth being light, and composed of supplejack, rangiora, &c. The section is distant about five miles from Pongaroa, two miles being a dray-road, two miles a cleared road, and one mile a road which is surveyed only.

Section 22, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Akaroa Road, and consists of gentle spurs and gullies. The soil is clayey, and poor on the ridges, but is fair, on a sandstone formation, in the gullies. The land is covered with manuka and a few clumps of tawa, &c. The section is distant about five miles and a half from Pongaroa, two miles being a dray-road, two miles a cleared road, and one mile a road which is surveyed only.

Section 28, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, and consists chiefly of flat land, watered by permanent streams. The soil is good, on a sandstone and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing kahikatea, tawa, rimu, rata, matai, &c. The undergrowth is very open, and is composed of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about two miles and a half from Pongaroa by a dray-road.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Pahiatua No. III. Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	Section	Block	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
		1	VI.	200 0 0	1 2 6	225 0 0	1 1 5	5 12 6	0 10 8	4 10 0

This section is situated in the Pahiatua No. III. Block, on the Kawakawa Road, and consists of land sloping from a leading ridge, the slope being easy along the road-frontage. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation, and covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, totara, rimu, matai, rata, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about thirty-seven miles from Dannevirke—thirty-three miles by dray-road, and four miles by a cleared road.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Masterton Reform Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	Section	Block	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
		2	I.	200 0 0	1 5 0	250 0 0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5 0 0
		1	"	200 0 0	1 5 0	250 0 0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5 0 0
		16	IV.	200 0 0	1 7 6	275 0 0	1 4 5	6 17 6	1 1 2	5 10 0
		20	"	200 0 0	1 12 6	325 0 0	1 7 5	8 2 6	1 3 6	6 10 0
		25	"	200 0 0	1 10 0	300 0 0	1 6	7 10 0	1 2 4	6 0 0
		28	"	250 0 0	1 10 0	375 0 0	1 6	9 7 6	1 2 4	7 10 0
		30	"	200 0 0	1 10 0	300 0 0	1 6	7 10 0	1 2 4	6 10 0
	Makuri	13	XI.	300 0 0	1 5 0	375 0 0	1 3	9 7 6	1 0	7 10 0

Section 2, Block I., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road, and consists of good easy spurs on the frontage, rising steeply to 2,600 ft. at the back line. The soil is good, on a limestone formation, with permanent water, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, tawhero, hinau, &c., the undergrowth being dense supplejack, rangiora, mahoe, kotukutuku, &c. The section is distant about nineteen miles and a half from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, eleven miles bridle-track, and three miles and a half pack-track.

Section 1, Block I., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road, and consists of fairly good spurs on the eastern half, rising very steeply to 2,500 ft. at the back line. It is watered by permanent streams. The soil is good, on a papa and limestone formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, tawhero, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being dense supplejack, mahoe, kotukutuku, rangiora, &c. The section is about nineteen miles from Makuri, five miles being a dray-road, eleven miles a bridle-track, and three miles a pack-track.

Section 16, Block IV., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the Cross Road, and consists of easy spurs, nearly flat on the southern half, and rather broken country on the northern half. It is watered by a permanent stream. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with manuka, mixed, on the northern portion, with tawa, rimu, rata, kahikatea, &c., the undergrowth being manuka, rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about fifteen miles from Makuri, five miles being a dray-road, and ten miles a bridle-track.

Section 20, Block IV., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, at the junction of the North Range and Cross Roads, and consists of nearly flat land, in low spurs, watered by permanent streams. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, rata, matai, &c., the undergrowth being supplejack, rangiora, &c. The section is distant about fifteen miles and a half from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, and ten miles and a half bridle-track.

* First-class land.

† Second-class land.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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.

Section 25, Block IV., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road, and consists of good flat-topped spurs, severed from the road by a rough gully, watered by permanent streams. The soil is very good, on a sandstone and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, rata, matai, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, mahoe, kotukutuku, dense supplejack, &c. The section is distant about nineteen miles from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, eleven miles bridle-track, and three miles pack-track.

Section 28, Block IV., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the Waihi Valley Road, and consists of an extensive flat along the road-frontage, and low flat spurs at the back, watered by a permanent stream. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing kahikatea, tawa, rimu, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about seventeen miles and a half from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, and twelve miles and a half bridle-track. It is five miles and a half from Pongaroa by a bridle-track.

Section 30, Block IV., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the Waihi Road, and consists of very low flat spurs, easily accessible, watered by a permanent stream. The soil is very good, on a papa formation, and is covered with heavy but open forest of a mixed character, containing kahikatea, tawa, rimu, rata, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant from Makuri about eighteen miles, five miles being a dray-road, and thirteen miles a bridle-track. It is also distant about six miles from Pongaroa by a bridle-track.

Section 13, Block XI., Makuri, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road, and consists of broken land, rising to a considerable height at the back, and watered by a permanent stream. The soil is very good, on a limestone formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, tawhero, matai, &c., the undergrowth being supplejack, rangiora, mahoe, kotukutuku, &c. The section is difficult of access: the best route at present is *viâ* the Cross Road, the distance being seventeen miles from Makuri—five miles a dray-road, eleven miles a bridle-track, and one mile a road which has been surveyed only.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Rising Sun Block.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	12	II.	203	0	0	1 7 6	275	0	0	1 4 5	6 17 6	1 1 2	5 10 0		
"	"	10	"	203	0	0	1 7 6	279	2	6	1 4 5	6 19 7	1 1 2	5 11 8		
"	"	8	"	200	0	0	1 7 6	275	0	0	1 4 5	6 17 6	1 1 2	5 10 0		
"	"	34	IV.	200	0	0	1 5 0	250	0	0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5 0 0		
"	"	1	XIII.	200	0	0	1 5 0	250	0	0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5 0 0		

Section 12, Block II., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Tawai and Waihi Valley Roads, and comprises low flat spurs with a small portion of level land. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation, and covered with forest consisting of kahikatea, matai, tawa, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, &c. It is distant about thirty-two miles from Pahiatua or Woodville, and twelve miles from Weber or Pongaroa, eight miles being a dray-road, three miles a bridle-track, and one mile a pack-track.

Section 10, Block II., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road, and comprises low hills with a little flat land, cut up considerably by the Umungero Stream and road. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation, and is covered with forest consisting of tawa, miro, matai, &c., with an undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, &c. It is well watered by a permanent stream. The section is distant thirteen miles from Weber by the Alfredton-Weber and Waihi-Akitio Roads, the former being a formed road, and the latter a bridle-track to within two miles of the land.

Section 8, Block II., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Towai Road, and comprises good easy spurs and gullies. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation. The timber consists of tawa, rimu, and matai, with an undergrowth of supplejack and rangiora. The land is watered by a permanent stream. The section is distant about thirty-one miles and a half from Pahiatua or Woodville, a dray-road being formed to within six miles of the section, a bridle-track for the next two miles and a half, and a pack-track the rest of the way.

Section 34, Block IV., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road, and comprises high ranges and somewhat broken gullies. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest consisting of tawa, rimu, rata, tawhero, &c., with an undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, &c. It is watered by a permanent stream. The distance from Pongaroa is ten miles, by a bridle-track.

Section 1, Block XIII., Mt. Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Towai Road, and comprises good spurs and gullies, with a small portion of level, and a good homestead-site. The soil is good, on a sandstone formation, and is covered with light forest, consisting of tawa, rimu, hinau, matai, &c., with an undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, &c. It is well watered by a permanent stream. The section is distant from Pahiatua or Woodville thirty-one miles. There is a dray-road *viâ* Makuri to within five miles and a half of the section, the rest of the way being by bridle- and pack-tracks.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Salisbury Block.

Oroua	.. Apiti	.. 7	XVI.	200	0	0	1 3 0	230	0	0	1 1 8	5 15 0	0 11 04	4 12 0
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This section is offered subject to the right of the Crown to take a road through it. This section is situated in the Salisbury Block, and consists of broken land. The soil is fairly good, on a papa and sandstone formation, and is covered with forest containing rimu, rata, totara, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. It is well watered by running streams. The section fronts the Pohangina River on its right bank, which is steep. The distance from Ashurst is about twenty-two miles, for the greater part of which there is a formed dray-road, the river-bed being used for dray traffic where the road is unformed.

Delaware Block.

Oroua	.. Pohangina	16	IV.	200	0	0	1 3 0	230	0	0	1 1 8	5 15 0	0 11 04	4 12 0
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This section is situated in the Delaware Block, and consists of broken land, the soil being fairly good, on a papa and sandstone formation. It is covered with forest containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with birch on the ridges, and the usual undergrowth. It is well watered. The distance from Ashurst is about twenty-four miles. A dray-road has been formed to within three miles and a half of the section, and a bridle-track to within two miles; the remaining distance being a road which is surveyed only.

Pohangina Block.

Oroua	.. | Umutoi	.. | 33	IV.	150	0	0	1 3 6	176	5	0	1 2 1	4 8 2	0 11 28	3 10 6
"	.. | " "	.. | 33	VII.	152	0	0	1 3 6	178	12	0	1 2 1	4 9 4	0 11 28	3 11 6
"	.. | " "	.. | 39	"	150	0	0	1 1 6	161	5	0	1 0 9	4 0 8	0 10 32	3 4 6

Section 33, Block IV., Umutoi, is situated in the Pohangina Block, on the Table Flat Road, and consists of undulating land, with about 50 acres of flat. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest, which is composed of rimu, matai, miro, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered. Its distance from the Township of Apiti is about eight miles, from which place there is a formed dray-road to within a mile of the section, and a bridle-track the rest of the distance.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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.

Section 33, Block VII., Umutoi, is situated in the Pohangina Block, on the Table Flat Road, and consists of undulating land, with a small flat, well watered. The soil is good, on a papa and shingle formation, and is covered with forest composed of rimu, matai, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is distant about seven miles from Apiti Township, from which place there is a metalled dray-road for three miles, and a formed dray-road the remainder of the distance.

Section 39, Block VII., Umutoi, is situated in the Pohangina Block, on the Umutoi Road, and consists of undulating land, with about 50 acres of flat. The soil is good, on a shingle and papa formation, and is covered with forest composed of rimu, matai, miro, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth. It is well watered. From the Township of Apiti it is distant about ten miles, there being a formed dray-road for about seven miles, a bridle-track for one mile, and the remaining distance is a walking-track only.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Marton No. I. Block.

Oroua	Apiti	Section	Block	A. R. P.		£ s. d.		s. d.		£ s. d.		s. d.		£ s. d.										
		32	IV.	200	0	0	1	7	0	270	0	0	1	4	2	6	15	0	1	0	96	5	8	0
		33	"	200	0	0	1	9	6	295	0	0	1	5	7	7	7	6	1	2	16	5	18	0

Section 33 is weighted with £18 for improvements.

Section 32, Block IV., Apiti, is situated in the Marton No. I. Block, and consists of broken land, the soil being good, on a papa formation, and covered with forest composed of rimu, matai, hinau, miro, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The land is well watered. Its distance from Rangiwahia is about six miles and a half, from which place there is a dray-road for three miles, a bridle-track for two miles and a half, and a walking-track for the remainder of the distance.

Section 33, Block IV., Apiti, is situated in the Marton No. I. Block, and consists of broken land with a small flat, the soil being good, on a papa formation, and well watered. It is covered with forest composed of rimu, miro, matai, and birch, with the usual undergrowth. The distance from Rangiwahia is about six miles, from which place there is a dray-road for three miles, and a bridle-track for the remainder of the distance. An area of 9 acres of the section has been felled and grassed.

FIRST- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Marton No. II. Block.

Oroua	Umutoi	Section	Block	A. R. P.		£ s. d.		s. d.		£ s. d.		s. d.		£ s. d.										
		8*	I.	200	0	0	1	9	6	295	0	0	1	5	7	7	7	6	1	2	16	5	18	0
	Hautapu	8*	XVI.	200	0	0	1	9	6	295	0	0	1	5	7	7	7	6	1	2	16	5	18	0
		9*	"	200	0	0	1	7	0	270	0	0	1	4	2	6	15	0	1	0	96	5	8	0
	Ruahine	6†	XIII.	200	0	0	0	17	0	170	0	0	0	10	2	4	5	0	0	8	16	3	8	0
		7*	"	200	0	0	1	7	0	270	0	0	1	4	2	6	15	0	1	0	96	5	8	0
		4†	IX.	200	0	0	1	2	0	220	0	0	1	1	2	5	10	0	0	10	56	4	8	0
		5†	"	200	0	0	0	19	6	195	0	0	0	11	7	4	17	6	0	9	36	3	18	0

Section 8, Block I., Umutoi, is situated in the Marton No. II. Block, and contains from 40 to 50 acres of flat land, the rest being undulating. The soil is good, on a papa and sandstone formation, and well watered by running streams. The land is covered with forest composed of rimu, matai, &c., and birch on the ridges, with the usual undergrowth. Its distance from Rangiwahia is about five miles, two miles of which is a dray-road, and the remainder a formed bridle-track.

Section 8, Block XVI., Hautapu, is situated in the Marton No. II. Block, and consists of undulating and broken land, covered with forest composed of rimu, rata, miro, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The soil is good, on a papa and sandstone formation, and well watered. The section is about four miles from Rangiwahia, from which there is a formed dray-road for three miles, and a bridle-track for the remainder of the distance.

Section 9, Block XVI., Hautapu, is situated in the Marton No. II. Block, and consists of broken land, the soil being good, on a papa and sandstone formation, and well watered. It is covered with forest containing rimu, miro, rata, &c., and birch on the ridges, with the usual undergrowth. The section is about five miles from Rangiwahia, from which place there is a dray-road for three miles of the distance, and a bridle-track the rest of the way.

Section 6, Block XIII., Ruahine, is also situated in the Marton No. II. Block, and consists of broken land, covered with forest composed of rimu, miro, &c., with birch on the ridges, and the usual undergrowth. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and well watered. The section is about six miles and a half from Rangiwahia—by a dray-road for three miles, a bridle-track for two miles, and a surveyed road for the remainder of the distance.

Section 7, Block XIII., Ruahine, is situated in the Marton No. II. Block, and consists of land of a broken character, covered with forest composed of rimu, miro, matai, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The soil is good, on a papa formation. The section is about six miles from Rangiwahia, from which it is approached by three miles of dray-road, two miles of bridle-track, and one mile of road which is surveyed only.

Section 4, Block IX., Ruahine, is situated in the Marton No. II. Block, on the Pourangaki River, and consists of broken country, with little flat land, covered with forest composed of rimu, miro, matai, &c., with birch on the ridges, and the usual undergrowth. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and well watered. The distance from Rangiwahia is about ten miles, from which place there is a dray-road for three miles, and a bridle-track the remaining seven miles.

Section 5, Block IX., Ruahine, is situated in the Marton No. II. Block, on the Pourangaki River, and consists of broken land, covered with forest composed of rimu, miro, matai, &c., with birch on the ridges, and the usual undergrowth. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and well watered. It is distant about eleven miles from Rangiwahia—by three miles of dray-road, seven miles of bridle-track, and one mile of walking-track; but the eventual outlet for this section will probably be to Mangaweka, from which it is distant about fourteen miles.

Onslow Block.

Oroua	Umutoi	Section	Block	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.															
		25†	I.	200	0	0	0	17	6	175	0	0	0	10	5	4	7	6	0	8	4	3	10	0

This section is situated in the Onslow Farm-homestead Block, on the lower slopes of the Ruahine Range, and comprises fair but rough land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing birch, kaiwaka, rimu, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about eight miles from Rangiwahia, from which place it is approached for two miles by a dray-road, three miles and a half by bridle-track, and two miles and a half rough walking-track.

Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block.

Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	Section	Block	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.															
		6*	III.	150	0	0	1	10	0	225	0	0	1	6	5	12	6	1	2	4	4	10	0	
		8*	"	250	0	0	1	10	0	375	0	0	1	6	9	7	6	1	2	4	7	10	0	
		9*	IV.	200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	
		5*	VII.	200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	
Section 5, Block VII.: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £2 1s. 2d. for rates due on this section.																								
Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	6*	VII.	200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	
Section 6, Block VII.: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £2 1s. 2d. for rates due on this section.																								
Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	5*	VIII.	100	0	0	1	5	0	125	0	0	1	3	3	2	6	1	0		2	10	0	
		6*	"	150	0	0	1	5	0	187	10	0	1	3	4	13	9	1	0		3	15	0	
Section 6, Block VIII.: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 5s. 8d. for rates due on this section.																								
Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	14†	VIII.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
		19†	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0

* First-class land.

† Second-class land.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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.

These sections are situated on the Wairepu, Pukemapou, and Quarry Roads, in the Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block, access being obtained by Murray's Track and Watershed Road, and are distant twenty-six to thirty miles from Hunterville, from which place they are approached for twenty-two miles by a dray-road. Mangaweka will probably be brought within fifteen to twenty miles when the roads leading thereto are opened out for horse traffic.

The land is of an undulating character, with a small portion level on each section. The soil is loamy, on a papa formation, and fair to good throughout—in some places really rich; this is the general character of the country, as evidenced by the grass on the clearings, paddocks, gardens, &c., of settlers on adjoining sections.

The sections are covered with forest of a mixed character, containing kahikatea, maire, rimu, the undergrowth being of the ordinary description, and are watered by streams and springs.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Sommerville Block.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rangitikei ..	Maungakaretu	24	XVI.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4.5	6	17	6
	"	23	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0
Wanganui ..	Ohinewairua	6	IX.	198	0	0	1	7	6	272	5	0	1	4.5	6	16	2

Sections 23 and 24, Block XVI., Maungakaretu, are situated in the Sommerville Farm-homestead Block, on the Rongoiti Road, and consist of undulating land, well watered by permanent streams. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered by moderately light forest of a mixed character, containing kahikatea, maire, matai, and hinaiu, and having a good deal of manuka on ridges; the undergrowth is of the ordinary description. It is distant about seven or eight miles from Taihape (Main Trunk Road), with which it is connected by two miles of dray-road, and the remainder of pack-track.

Section 6, Block IX., Ohinewairua, is situated in the Sommerville Farm-homestead Block, on Ross's Track, and comprises undulating land with a portion flat, watered by springs and stream. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing kahikatea, maire, matai, and hinaiu, the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about four miles from Taihape (Main Trunk Road), from which place it is approached for two miles by a dray-road, and the remainder by a horse-track.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Hunterville No. I. Block.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	29	II.	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0
The Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 7s. 6d. for rates due on this section.																	
Rangitikei ..	Maungakaretu	3	XV.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1.5	5	12	6
The Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 7s. 6d. for rates due on this section.																	

Section 29, Block II., Tiriraukawa: This section is situated in the Hunterville No. I. Farm-homestead Association Block, on the Huia Road, and consists of rough broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, tawa, rata, &c.; and the undergrowth is of the ordinary description. It is distant about five miles and a half from Murray's Track, two miles and a half being a bridle-track, and one mile and three-quarters under construction.

Section 3, Block XV., Maungakaretu: This section is situated in the Hunterville No. 1 Farm-homestead Association Block, on the Pangemango Road, and consists of undulating and broken land, well watered. The soil is fair clay, on a papa formation, half the area being a natural clearing, with manuka scrub, flax, &c.; the rest is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, maire, rewarewa, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The temporary access to this section at present is from Taihape, but eventually will be via Mangamahoe Road to Hunterville, distance about thirty miles.

FIRST- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Hunterville No. II. Block.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	6*	I.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4.5	6	17	6
	"	7*	"	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4.5	6	17	6

Section 7: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 7s. 6d. for rates due on this section.

Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	9*	I.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4.5	6	17	6
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Section 9: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 7s. 6d. for rates due on this section.

Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	13*	II.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0
	"	21†	"	200	0	0	0	17	6	175	0	0	0	10.5	4	7	6

Section 21: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 7s. 6d. for rates due on this section.

Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	25*	II.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0
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Section 25: Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 7s. 6d. for rates due on this section.

Section 6, Block I., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Turakina River, and consists of broken land, covered with forest composed of rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is well watered. The section is approached from Hunterville by a formed bridle-track, the distance being about eighteen miles.

Section 7, Block I., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Turakina River, and consists of broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about eighteen miles from Hunterville, from which place it is approached by fifteen miles and a half of dray-road, and two miles and a half of bridle-track.

Section 9, Block I., Tiriraukawa, is also situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Turakina Valley Road, and consists of broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, rata, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about nineteen miles from Hunterville, from which place it is approached by fifteen miles and a half of dray-road, two miles and a half of bridle-track, and one mile of rough pack-track.

Section 13, Block II., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Mangamahoe Road, and comprises undulating land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about twenty-one miles from Hunterville, from which place it is approached by fifteen miles and a half of dray-road, and five miles and a half of bridle- and pack-tracks.

Section 21, Block II., Tiriraukawa, is also situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Mangamahoe Road, and consists of broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about twenty-two miles from Hunterville, from which place it is approached by fifteen miles and a half of dray-road, and six miles and a half of bridle- and pack-tracks.

Section 25, Block II., Tiriraukawa, is also situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Karetu Road, and consists of broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about twenty-two miles from Hunterville, from which place it is approached by fifteen miles and a half of dray-road, three miles of bridle-track, and three miles and a half of rough pack-track.

* First-class land.

† Second-class land.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.
Hunterville No. III. Block.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	23†	VI.	200	0	0	1	3	6	230	0	0	1	1	8	5	15	0	0	11	0	4	12	0

This section is situated in the Hunterville No. III. Farm-homestead Association Block, and consists of broken land, well watered. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. It is distant about twenty-three miles from Hunterville, from which place it is approached for fifteen miles and a half by a dray-road, five miles by a bridge-track, and the remainder by a rough pack-track.

Waimarino Block.

Wanganui	Makotuku	3*	III.	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	5	3	8	9	1	1	2	2	15	0
"	"	6*	II.	201	2	18	1	7	6	277	4	6	1	4	5	6	18	8	1	1	2	5	10	11

Section 6: Weighted with £14 for improvements.

Wanganui	Manganui	3†	XV.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
"	"	4†	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0

Section 3, Block III., Makotuku, is situated in the Waimarino Block, on the Makotuku Valley Road, and consists of flat land, watered by the Makara Stream. The soil is fair, on a sandstone formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, miro, tawa, and rewarewa, the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about three miles and a half from Raetihi Township by a dray-road.

Section 6, Block II., Makotuku, is also situated in the Waimarino Block, on the Otautoho Road, and consists of undulating land, partly level, and well watered. The soil is good, on a shingle and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, maire, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about three miles and a half from Raetihi by a good dray-road.

Section 3, Block XV., Manganui, is situated in the Waimarino Block, on the Middle Road, and consists of about equal portions of hilly and flat land, the hilly portion being mostly away from the frontage. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, matai, miro, kahikatea, rewarewa, kotukutuku, and maire, the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about six miles from Raetihi Township, five miles being a formed dray-road, and one mile a horse-road.

Section 4, Block XV., Manganui, is also situated in the Waimarino Block, on the Middle Road, and comprises good land, watered by small streams. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, matai, miro, kahikatea, rewarewa, kotukutuku, and maire, the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is distant about six miles and a half from Raetihi Township, by five miles of dray-road and one mile and a half of horse-road.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Wanganui United West Block.

Wanganui	Makotuku	2	X.	214	0	0	1	1	6	240	15	0	1	1	5	6	0	5	0	10	8	4	16	4
"	"	4	"	240	0	0	1	0	0	240	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	9	6	4	16	0
"	"	15	VI.	216	0	0	1	7	6	297	0	0	1	4	5	7	8	6	1	1	2	5	18	10

Section 15 is weighted with £45 for improvements.

Section 2, Block X., Makotuku, is situated in the Wanganui United West Block, and consists of hilly land, with a few small flats on the Mangaetoroa Stream. The soil is good, on a shell-rock and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, matai, miro, maire, rewarewa, hinau, and kotukutuku, &c., the undergrowth being of karamu, rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about five miles from Raetihi Township, three miles of the distance being a dray-road, and the remainder a road which is surveyed only.

Section 4, Block X., Makotuku, is also situated in the Wanganui United West Block, on the Hukaroa Road, and consists of hilly land. The soil is good, on a shell-rock and papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing matai, tawa, rimu, miro, maire, rewarewa, hinau, kotukutuku, &c., the undergrowth being of karamu, rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about three miles from Raetihi Township, one mile of the distance being a horse-road, and the remainder a road which is surveyed only.

Section 15, Block VI., Makotuku, is situated in the Wanganui United West Block, on the Hukaroa Road, and consists of undulating land, with a small portion of flat. It is well watered. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and, with the exception of 18 acres in grass, the land is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, rata, &c., the undergrowth being of the ordinary description. The section is on the main road from Pipiriki to Taupo, and adjoins Raetihi Township.

* First-class land.

† Second-class land.

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

Rural Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 24th August, 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 13th October, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—BAY OF ISLANDS COUNTY.—KERIKERI SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

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.
13	XII.	A. R. P. 166 2 16	£ s. d. 0 10 0	£ s. d. 83 10 0	£ s. d. 0 0 6	£ s. d. 2 1 9	£ s. d. 0 0 4 8	£ s. d. 1 13 5

Volcanic and stony land, covered with fern; situated on Kerikeri Inlet. Subject to £100 for house.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands

Crown Lands in Otago open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 21st August, 1897.
THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for application upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 13th day of October, 1897, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments:—

SCHEDULE.
OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

WAIHEMO COUNTY.—MOERAKI SURVEY DISTRICT.

Puketapu Estate.

		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
7A	IV.	48 3 21	8 3	10 1 7

Open undulating land, soil good, on a limey-sandstone formation; watered; all agricultural. Situated about two miles from Palmerston.

		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
11A	IV.	19 0 0	8 6	4 0 9

Open undulating land, soil good; watered; all agricultural. Situated about two miles from Palmerston. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £3 15s.

WAITAKI COUNTY.—OAMARU SURVEY DISTRICT.

Ardgowan Estate.

		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
87	II.	19 2 34	15 0	7 7 10

Slightly undulating agricultural land, good soil; permanently watered. Situated 40 chains from Weston Park Railway-station, or three miles and a quarter from Oamaru. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £9 16s. 6d.

WAITAKI COUNTY.—AWAMOKO SURVEY DISTRICT.

Maerewhenua Estate.

		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
102	II.	50 0 0	3 3	4 1 3

Level land, ground somewhat shingly, soil fair; water can be obtained by sinking. One mile and a quarter to Georgetown Post-office and Uxbridge Railway-siding. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £4 17s. 6d.

		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
69	II.	10 0 16	2 3	0 11 4

Level ground, lying between the Oamaru Water-race and the main Oamaru-Dunroon Road. One mile to Black Point Railway-siding, and two miles to Georgetown Post office. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £10 16s.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 21st August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned singed kauri, within the Waerekahakaha State Forest, in Block IX., Mangakahia Survey District, Hobson County, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 8th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:—

70 singed trees, containing about 207,072 sup. feet. Upset price, £103 10s. 8d.

This timber is situated about a mile from Mangakahia Post-office, and can be delivered into the Mangakahia River by a tramway about one mile and a half long.

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 six months thereafter. Timber to be removed within one year from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Southland for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 24th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," on and after Thursday, the 14th October, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Southland County.—Wendonside Survey District.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
22	VIII.	A. R. P. 35 0 0	s. d. 1 2 4	£ s. d. 1 1 0

The land is level; soil fair, with shingle bottom; it is covered with silver-tussock. The distance from Riversdale is about three miles.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned village-homestead allotments will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on and after Wednesday, the 13th October, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
		Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

HOROWHENUA COUNTY.

Levin Village Settlement.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
45	5 2 0	14 0	1 18 6

Weighted with £134 for improvements. This section is situated on the main street of Levin Township, close to the Post-office, school, and the main business part of the town. It consists of fair soil on a shingle formation, and is open land.

PAHIATUA COUNTY.

Makuri Village Settlement.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
152	9 3 0	2 8 6	0 11 3

Weighted with £73 5s. for improvements. This section is situated at Makuri, about 20 chains from the main road, this distance not yet having been formed into a road. The soil is good, on a limestone formation, although there is no flat land on the section.

Pahiatua Village Settlement.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
15	5 1 27	4 9 6	0 13 1

Weighted with £69 19s. for improvements. There is a liability of £1 17s. 8d. on this section due to the Pahiatua County Council for rates.

This section is situated about a mile from Mangatainoka Township, where there is a post-office, school, butter-factory, &c., and is approached by a good metalled road. The land consists of alluvial soil, is level, and in grass, although fern and thistle are now getting into it.

Upper Makuri Village Settlement.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
1	10 3 15	2 9 6	0 15 3

This section is situated in the Upper Makuri Village, distant from Makuri Township about three miles and a half, from which place there is a good metalled road to within 30 chains of the section. The soil is alluvial, on a shingle and limestone formation. The land is level, and covered with bush. There are a few large trees, consisting of white-pine, rimu, &c., the balance of the timber being light, with very little undergrowth. The land is watered by the Makuri Stream.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
		Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

KIWITEA COUNTY.

Wilford Village Settlement.

	A.	R.	P.	S.	d.	£	s.	d.	
1, 3, and 4	22	3	4	2	9	6	1	11	11

Weighted with £2 10s. for improvements.

These sections are situated in a settled district, and are distant from Hunterville, on a formed dray-road, about twelve miles; from Feilding, by a metalled coach-road *via* West Waitapu, about twenty miles; and from Waituna West Post- and Telegraph-office and school about three miles. The land, although broken, has a good soil on a gravel and papa formation, covered with timber consisting chiefly of rimu, rata, hinau, and the usual undergrowth. An area of 2½ acres has been felled, but not sown with grass-seed. The section is well watered.

Rewa Village Settlement.

6	9	2	7	3	9	6	0	18	2
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This section is situated in a thriving district, and is distant from Hunterville about ten miles by a formed dray-road, and from Feilding, by a formed and mostly metalled coach-road, about twenty miles. The land is level, with good soil on a gravel formation, and is heavily timbered, chiefly with rimu, matai, kahikatea, and the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by a running stream.

RANGITIKEI COUNTY.

Mangaweka Village Settlement.

28	6	0	0	4	0	0	0	12	0
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Weighted with £52 5s. 6d. for improvements.

This section is situated on the main road at Mangaweka. It is level, has a soil on a gravel formation, and is watered by a running stream. The bush is all felled, but, owing to the burn not being good, the land is poorly grassed.

Pukeori Village Settlement.

18, 19, 20, 21, & 22	6	2	27	3	7	2	0	12	1
10, 15, and 16	4	2	2	3	4	8	0	7	9
2, 4, 6, and 8	5	0	35	3	2	4	0	8	5

Sections 18 to 22 are situated five miles and a half from Hunterville, on the Watershed Road, and three miles and a half from Mangaonoho Railway-station. The soil is good, being partly a drainable swamp, on a papa formation. The section is level, is watered by a running stream, and is timbered chiefly with rimu, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth.

Sections 10, 15, and 16 are situated five miles and a half from Hunterville, near the junction of the Murimutu and Watershed Roads, and are distant three miles and a half from Mangaonoho Railway-station, by a formed dray-road. The soil is good, on a papa formation. There is about an acre of level land suitable for building, &c.

Sections 2, 4, 6, and 8 are situated five miles and a half from Hunterville, near the junction of the Murimutu and Watershed Roads, and about three miles and a half from Mangaonoho Railway-station, by a formed dray-road. The land, although hilly, has a good soil on a papa formation. It is covered with timber, consisting of rimu, tawa, birch, &c., and the usual undergrowth.

Makohine Village Settlement.

1	9	2	19	3	2	4	0	15	5
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This section is situated about seven miles from Hunterville, by a good metalled road, and one mile and a half from the Mangaonoho Railway-station. The land is level and well watered, and the soil is good, on a papa formation. It is covered with timber, consisting of rimu, rata, tawa, &c., and the usual undergrowth.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The lands enumerated above are first-class lands, and are divided into village-homestead allotments, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").
2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 13th day of October, 1897.
3. The rental stated hereon shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.
4. Applications for leases shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act; and all such applications shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington; and leases will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.
5. Each applicant shall state his or her residence, occupation, and condition in life (namely whether married or

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single), and will be required to make the declaration prescribed in Schedule C of the said Act.

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

7. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided. The next payment of rent will become due on the 1st January, 1898.

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

9. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in each lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations.

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

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

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

Reserves in Parkville Township, Wellington Land District, for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned reserves will be offered for lease at the Public Hall, Eketahuna, on Thursday, the 21st October, 1897, at 2 o'clock p.m.

SCHEDULE.

Section.	Locality.	Area.	Upset Annual Rent.		Term of Lease.				
			£	s. d.					
48	Parkville Township	A. R. P.	0	3	24	1	0	0	7 years.
55	"		0	3	24	1	0	0	"
89	"		0	3	24	1	0	0	10 years.

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

No compensation shall be claimed by the lessees, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, for improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.

Possession will be given on day of sale. The leases shall be for the terms specified, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.

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

Reserve in Auckland for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 12th July, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned reserve will be submitted for leasing for a term of fourteen years, under "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," at this office, on Friday, the 3rd day of September, 1897, at 11 a.m.:

Raglan County, Parish of Karamu: Section 22, 15 acres 1 rood; upset annual rent, £3.

The landing reserve about one mile from Whatawhata. Term of Lease.—Fourteen years, without any right of renewal.

No compensation for improvements during either the currency or on termination of the lease; but the lessee may remove any buildings or fences erected by him.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Wellington District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 26th July, 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 15th September, 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.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

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

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Kakariki Block.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.						
Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	7a	V.	70	0	0	1	5	0	87	10	0	1	3	2	3	9	1	0	1	15	0

This section is weighted with £4 10s. for improvements.

The above section is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Farm-homestead Block, on the Waihi Road, and consists of low flat spurs in front, rising in spurs to a considerable height towards the back line. The soil is poor, on a papa formation. It is well watered by a permanent stream. The front spurs are covered with manuka, and the back ones with mixed forest of tawa, rimu, matai, &c. The undergrowth is manuka, open rangiora, and supplejack. The section is distant about twenty-one miles from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, thirteen miles bridle-track, and three miles pack-track. Two acres have been felled, grassed, and logged up.

Stirling Block.

Wairarapa N.	Tararua ..	21	IV.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	5	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0
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This section is situated in the Stirling Special Settlement Block, and can be approached from the Newman Railway-station, from which it is distant about nine miles, seven miles of which is a metalled road, the remaining two miles being a formed road only. The land is of fair quality, on a papa formation, and is well watered, about 20 acres being flat. With the exception of about 16 acres, which have been felled but not grassed, the section is all under mixed forest, consisting chiefly of rata, rimu, kahikatea, &c., with a mixed undergrowth.

Kakariki Block.

Wairarapa N.	Tararua ..	2	IV.	200	0	0	1	11	6	315	0	0	1	6	9	7	17	6	1	3	12	6	6	0
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This section is in the Kakariki Block, and is approached from the Hukanui Railway-station, about four miles distant, by a formed and partly-formed road. The soil is of good quality, on a papa and sandstone formation, and is covered with mixed forest, consisting of rimu, rata, kahikatea, with a mixed undergrowth. There are 20 acres of flat land on the section.

Waiwera Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mangahao	16	XIII.	200	0	0	1	11	6	315	0	0	1	6	9	7	17	6	1	3	12	6	6	0
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SECOND-CLASS LAND.

"	Tararua ..	3	II.	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0
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Section 16, Block XIII., is situated about twelve miles from Pahiatua, six miles from Nikau Post-office, six miles from the proposed Tutaekara Railway-station by a cleared road and bridle-track (the latter being now in course of formation), and about five miles from Hukanui Railway-station, three miles of which is dray-road and part bridle-track, and two miles a proposed road, which is a rough walking-track and not open for horse traffic. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest, consisting of rimu, tawa, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section contains about 180 acres of flat land. It is watered by a stream.

Section 3, Block II., is distant about six miles from Hukanui Railway-station, two miles of which is a dray-road and four miles bridle-track. The soil is poor and stony, and there is no level land on it. It is covered with forest, consisting of rimu, birch, &c., and is watered by a stream.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Kaikoura Block.

Wairarapa N.	Puketoi ..	27	IV.	200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0
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Weighted with £49 for improvements.

This section is situated in the Kaikoura Farm-homestead Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, and consists of undulating land with some flat. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, kahikatea, rata, &c., the undergrowth being supplejack, rangiora, &c. The section adjoins the Rakawhenui Village Settlement. Twenty-two acres have been grassed, and 7 acres felled and burned but not grassed.

Pahiatua No. I. Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	7	V.	100	0	0	1	5	0	125	0	0	1	3	3	2	6	1	0	2	10	0
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This section is weighted with £48 15s. for improvements.

The above section is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Farm-homestead Block, on the Waihi Road, and consists of low flat spurs in front, rising to a considerable height at the back line. It is watered by a permanent stream. The soil is poor, on a papa formation, covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, matai, &c., with an undergrowth of very open rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about twenty-one miles from Makuri, five miles being dray-road, thirteen miles horse-road, and three miles pack-track. Ten acres have been felled, burned, and grassed, and 4 acres have been logged up. There is a hut, an outhouse, and 7 chains of fencing on the section.

Pahiatua No. II. Block.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	26	X.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0
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Weighted with £117 10s. for improvements.

This section is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Akaroa Road, and consists of low, flat spurs, easily accessible from any part of the frontage. It is watered by a small permanent stream. The soil varies from good to fair, and poor where there is manuka. The eastern half is covered with tall manuka, and the western with light forest of rimu, matai, tawa, &c., except where grassed. The undergrowth is very open, and is composed largely of manuka, with some rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant four miles from Pongaroa, two miles being dray-road and two miles cleared road. Forty-seven acres have been cleared and grassed on the section.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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.

Pahiatua No. III. Block.

			A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	2	III.	229	0	0	1	7	6	314	17	6	1	4	5	7	17	6	1	1	2	6	6	0

Weighted with £4 for improvements.

This section is situated in the Pahiatua No. III. Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, and consists of easy slopes and gullies with permanent water. The soil is good, on a sandstone and papa formation, covered with light forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, totara, &c., the undergrowth being rangiora, manuka, &c. The section is eight miles distant from Pongaroa, and seven miles from Weber by a dray-road. Eight acres of scrub, chiefly manuka, have been felled, but not burned or sown. The fence-line between Sections 2 and 3 has been felled and burned half a chain on each side.

Pahiatua No. IV. Block.

Wairarapa N.	Aohanga	10	I.	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	5	3	8	9	1	1	2	2	15	0
"	"	7	"	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	5	3	8	9	1	1	2	2	15	0
"	"	11	"	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	5	3	8	9	1	1	2	2	15	0
"	Puketoi	12	IV.	288	0	0	1	7	6	396	0	0	1	4	5	9	18	0	1	1	2	7	18	5
"	Makuri	7	XV.	278	0	0	1	10	0	417	0	0	1	6	10	8	6	1	2	4	8	6	10	0

Section 10, Block I., Aohanga, is situated on the Mangatiti Road, within a few chains of the Alfredton-Weber dray-road, twenty miles from Alfredton and eight miles and a half from Pongaroa. The land consists of low spurs and flats in the front, and rises gradually to the back line. The soil is good, on a papa formation, is timbered with rimu, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth, and is well watered.

Section 7, Block I., Aohanga, is situated on the Mangatiti Road, and consists of land rising from the frontage to the back line, which is rather broken in places. It is watered by small permanent streams. The soil is fairly good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant a little over a mile from the Alfredton-Weber dray-road; it can also be approached from Makuri by five miles of dray-road, six miles of bridle-track, and two miles of road which is surveyed only.

Section 11, Block I., Aohanga, is situated on the Alfredton-Weber dray-road, twenty-five miles from Alfredton, and seven miles and a half from Pongaroa. The land consists of flats of about 20 acres along the road, rising gradually towards the back. Water is scarce, but can be obtained by digging, or blocking the natural watercourses. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest consisting of tawa and kahikatea, with the usual undergrowth.

Section 12, Block IV., Puketoi, is situated on the Mangatiti Road, within two miles of the Alfredton-Weber dray-road. It can also be reached from Makuri by five miles of dray-road, six miles of bridle-track, and two miles of road which is surveyed only. The road-frontage is poor, the land sloping down sharply into the Mangatiti Stream, along which there are small flats on the west bank. The balance of the section is rough and broken, rising to high spurs at the back. The soil is good, on a papa formation, is well watered, and covered with forest consisting chiefly of rimu and tawa.

Section 7, Block XV., Makuri, is situated on the Mangatiti Road, twelve miles and a half from Makuri, five miles of the distance being dray-road, six miles bridle-track, and one mile and a half surveyed road. The road-frontage is poor, the land sloping down sharply into the Mangatiti Stream. There is a small flat at the east end of the south boundary suitable for a homestead-site. The remainder of the section is somewhat broken, and faces the south-east. The soil is good, on a papa formation, is well watered, and timbered chiefly with tawa and rimu, with the usual undergrowth.

Masterton Reform Block.

Wairarapa N.	Makuri	21	XV.	200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0
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This section lies on the foothills of the Puketoi Range, and consists of low spurs nearly flat. Access is gained from Makuri by dray-road for five miles, and bridle-track for the remaining seven miles. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, watered by small streams, and timbered with rimu and tawa, with the usual undergrowth.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Mekalickstone Block.

Wairarapa N.	Aohanga	7	VI.	100	0	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	1	0	2	10	0	0	9	6	2	0	0
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This section is weighted with £14 8s. for improvements.

The above section is situated in the Mekalickstone Farm-homestead Block, on the Waikereru Road, and consists of undulating and broken land. The soil is poor, on a broken formation, covered chiefly with large manuka, and an undergrowth of fern, whitewood, &c. The section is distant about nineteen miles from Makuri, six miles being dray-road, and thirteen miles horse-road and track. Eight acres have been felled, burned, and grassed, and there is easy access to the section from the road-frontage, which has been felled.

Umutoi Block.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Oroua	Umutoi	10	IV.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0
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SECOND-CLASS LAND.

"	"	8 & 13	"	400	0	0	0	17	6	350	0	0	0	10	5	8	15	0	0	8	4	7	0	0
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Section 10, Block IV., Umutoi, is situated about nine miles from Apiti, three miles of the distance being a dray-road, four miles a river-bed track, and the remaining two miles a bridle-track. There are about 15 acres of level land on the section. The soil is peaty, on a papa formation. It is well watered, and covered with mixed timber, consisting of rimu, matai, birch, &c., with the usual underscrub.

Sections 8 and 13, Block IV., Umutoi, are situated about seven miles from Apiti Township, three miles of the distance being a dray-road, one mile a bridle-track, and three miles a track on the Oroua River bed. The whole of the land is rough and broken, but the soil is fair, on a papa formation, and well watered. The bush consists of rimu, matai, birch, &c.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Pohangina Block.

Oroua	Umutoi	21	IV.	150	0	0	1	10	0	225	0	0	1	6	5	12	6	1	2	4	4	10	0
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This section is situated about six miles and a half from Apiti Township, a dray-road being formed past the frontage. The land is of good quality, though somewhat stony in places, and is covered with heavy mixed bush with usual undergrowth. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and well watered. There are about 100 acres of flat land on the section.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT—continued.

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.

Marton No. I. Block.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.								
Oroua ..	Hautapu ..	7	XII.	200	0	0	1	9	6	295	0	0	1	5	7	7	7	6	1	2	16	5	18	0

Weighted with £82 5s. for improvements.

This section is situated in the Marton No. I. Farm-homestead Block, on the Titirangi Road, and consists of undulating land with a small flat portion. It is well watered, and the soil is good, on a papa formation. It is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, totara, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is distant about nine miles from Mangaweka by a formed bridle-track. The trees up to 3ft. in diameter have been felled over an area of 40 acres, and this area has been partly burnt, and sown in grass.

Oroua ..	Hautapu ..	6	XV.	499	0	0	1	5	0	611	5	0	1	3	15	5	8	1	0	12	4	6
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This section is weighted with £832 for improvements.

The above section is situated in the Otamakapua-Mangawharariki Block, on the Mangarere Road, and consists of undulating land with some small portion of flat. It is well watered. The soil is good, on a papa formation. Except where grassed it is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is distant about seven miles from Mangaweka, and about six miles from Pemberton. There is a good bridle-track from Mangaweka, and a cage across the Rangitikei River. There are 290 acres in grass, 170 chains of fencing, a woolshed 24ft. by 30ft., a whare, shed, dip, yards, garden, orchard, &c.

Wanganui ..	Tiriraukawa	10	II.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
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This section is weighted with £5 12s. 6d. for improvements.

The above section is situated in the Hunterville No. II. Farm-homestead Block, and consists of broken land, with a few small flats on the Mangamahoe Stream. The soil is fair, on a papa formation. It is well watered, and is covered with forest of a mixed character containing rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is distant about twenty-one miles from Hunterville, fifteen miles and a half being dray-road, and the remaining distance bridle-track and rough pack-track. Five acres have been felled and burned.

Wanganui ..	Manganui ..	13	XV.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0
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This section is loaded with £48 for improvements.

The above section is situated in the Waimarino Farm-homestead Settlement, and consists of flat and undulating land, well watered. The soil is good, on a papa formation. It is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, tawa, kahikatea, maire, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is distant about nine miles from Raetihi Township, four miles being a formed dray-road, four miles a formed bridle-track, and one mile a pack-track. Eighteen acres have been felled and grassed, and there is a whare on the section.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Hunterville No. I. Block.

Wanganui	Maungakaretu	21	XIV.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0
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Weighted with £12 for improvements.

Rangitikei County Council has a claim of 13s. 9d. for rates due on this section.

This section is situated in the Hunterville No. I. Farm-homestead Block, on the Okaka Road, and consists of hilly and undulating land intersected by deep gullies. The soil is fair, on a clay and papa formation, and is covered with light forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, maire, rewarewa, titoki, &c., with usual undergrowth. The section is distant about twenty-five miles from Hunterville by the Mangamahoe Road, which is formed for dray traffic to within three miles. An area of 6 acres has been felled and grassed. The section is well watered.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Hall Block.

Pahiatua ..	Mangahao	11	I.	180	0	0	2	0	0	360	0	0	2	0	9	0	0	1	7	2	7	4	0
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The access to this section is by the proposed road from Ballance to the Gorge, which is partly formed and in course of formation. It may be approached at present by a good road from Woodville, distant about three miles from the river, which is fordable nearly opposite the section, and there is also a partly-formed track from the Gorge Bridge to the section (about three miles), but this is not open for horse traffic. It is also accessible from Ballance to within two miles on horseback by a proposed road now partly formed, or by fording the river, going round towards Woodville. This is considered to be a good section in a good position. The section consists for the most part of hilly land, 10 acres in front being level. It is watered by a creek. The soil is good, on papa formation, and is covered with forest, consisting of rimu, rata, mahoe, tawa, &c.

Patea ..	Wairoa ..	11A	VIII.	64	0	15	11	10	0	737	1	7	11	6	18	8	7	9	2	4	14	14	1
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This section is weighted with £243 8s. for improvements.

This section is situated in the Momahaki Settlement, on a formed road, and consists of nearly all flat land, suitable for a dairy-farm; it is watered by permanent springs. The soil is good, on a papa and sandstone formation. There is one small clump of bush, which is mostly scrub, on the land. The section is distant four miles and a quarter from Waverley Township, about two miles from Momahaki Railway-station, and two miles and a quarter from the Momahaki Creamery, by a formed dray-road. The whole section is ring-fenced and subdivided. About 28 acres have been ploughed. There are 93 chains of fencing, a house 26 ft. by 24 ft., a well, garden, and orchard, two outhouses, &c.

Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block.

Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	13	IV.	100	0	0	1	5	0	125	0	0	1	3	3	2	6	1	0	2	10	0
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The Rangitikei County Council have a claim of 17s. 2d. for rates due on this section.

This section is situated on a branch road from Murray's track, distant from Hunterville about twenty miles, six miles of which is a formed bridle-track, and the rest a cart-road; but the nearest centre is Mangaweka, the distance to that place being fourteen miles, about nine miles of which is a bridle-track, and the rest a road in course of formation. The distance from the section to Murray's track is about three-quarters of a mile, and this is a fair pack-track. The land is broken, but the soil is fair, on a papa formation. It is well watered, and covered with light mixed bush.

Hunterville No. III. Block.

Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	13	VI.	200	0	0	1	6	0	260	0	0	1	3	6	10	0	1	0	48	5	4	0
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Weighted with £31 10s. for improvements.

Rangitikei County Council has a claim of £1 15s. 8d. for rates due on this section.

This section is situated in the Hunterville No. III. Block, on the Mangamahoe Road, and consists of broken country with a few small flats. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character containing rimu, tawa, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The land is well watered. The section is distant about twenty-one miles from Hunterville, fifteen miles and a half being a dray-road, and five miles and a half a formed bridle-track. An area of 18 acres has been grassed.

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

Crown Lands in Otago open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for application under lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 15th day of September, 1897, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity:	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

WAITAKI COUNTY.

Maerewhenua Estate.

			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Maruwhenua ..	7	III.	21	3	36	7	9	4	5	2

Open, level, and gently-sloping ground, on old alluvial and limestone formation; soil good, wholly agricultural; water within 20 chains, and will probably be obtained by sinking. Accessible by formed roads. One mile to Duntroon Township and Railway-station. Altitude, about 490 ft. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £4 10s.

Maruwhenua ..	11	III.	7	0	28	8	9	} 5 13 0
" ..	12	"	12	0	18	8	6	
" ..	14	"	6	3	22	8	9	

Open, gently-sloping ground, on limestone formation; soil good, agricultural. Situated from one mile and a quarter to one mile and a half from Duntroon. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £42 15s. 6d. Sections 11, 12, and 14 are grouped, and offered as one allotment.

Awamoko ..	53	III.	248	1	0	1	9	10	17	2
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Level, and mostly shingly land, between main Oamaru-Duntroon Road and Waitaki River bed, intersected by Oamaru-Duntroon Railway. Situated four miles and a half from Duntroon, and adjacent to Borton's Railway-siding. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £32 16s.

NOTE.—The successful applicant for this allotment will acquire the adjoining Crown lands, Section 32, Block III., Awamoko District, containing 63 acres 3 roods 22 perches, on lease in perpetuity, at an annual rental of £6 7s. 10d.

Awamoko ..	61	II.	117	1	29	2	0	5	17	6
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Level land, part shingly, lying between Oamaru-Duntroon Railway and Waitaki River, adjacent to Black Point Railway-siding, and two miles and three-quarters from Georgetown Post-office. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £41 6s.

Awamoko ..	99	II.	40	0	0	4	0	4	0	0
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Level land, west end shingly, east half good; water can be obtained by sinking. Altitude, about 300 ft. One mile and three-quarters to Uxbridge Railway-siding, and two miles and a quarter to Georgetown Post-office. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £7.

WAIHEMO COUNTY.

Puketapu Estate.

Moeraki ..	6A	IV.	54	3	26	7	0	9	13	3
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About 5 acres in bush, remainder open undulating land; soil good, on sandstone formation; watered. Two miles from Palmerston. Valuation for improvements, £74 6s.

Moeraki ..	8A	IV.	20	1	12	8	6	4	6	9
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Open, undulating, agricultural land; soil good; watered. Situated about two miles from Palmerston. Valuation for improvements, £6 1s. 6d.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotment for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned village-homestead allotment will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on and after Wednesday, 1st September, 1897.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

WAIKAWA VILLAGE.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Half-yearly Rent (4 per cent.).
Waikawa	23	VII.	A. R. P. 17 1 22	£ s. d. 0 8 8

This land is covered with bush of no commercial value. Soil good. The distance from Waikawa is about two miles. Limit of holding in this village, 50 acres. This section is burdened with £26 valuation for improvements, consisting of—hut, £5; clearing and grassing, £16; fencing, £5.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

1. The land enumerated above is first-class land, and is a village-homestead allotment, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 1st day of September, 1897.

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

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

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

6. The successful applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent, together with the lease and registration-fee, immediately the application has been approved or declared successful at the ballot. The next payment will become due on the 1st July, 1898.

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

8. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in the lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to the lessee under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall apply accordingly to the lessee under these regulations.

9. The lessee shall not subdivide, sublet, or transfer the land held by him under these regulations, except under and subject to the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.

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

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

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 27th July, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned kauri timber, standing upon Crown land in Block VIII., Tutamoe Survey District, in the Hokianga County, about five miles from Mangakahia Post-office, and at junction of Takitu and Opouteke Streams, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 17th day of September, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m. —

77 kauri-trees, containing about 200,000 sup. feet. Upset price, £75.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Cheviot Estate for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, upon the terms and conditions hereunder stated, on and after Wednesday, the 8th September, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.
CHEVIOT COUNTY.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

SURVEYED FIRST-CLASS LAND.
Lowry Peaks Survey District.

A. R. P.		s. d.		£ s. d.	
28	XII.	39	2 34	12	0 11 18 4

This section is situated in the central portion of the Cheviot Estate, on the Hurunui-Homestead Road, about one mile and a half in a south-westerly direction from the Township of Mackenzie, and comprises rich agricultural land in English grass, a portion of the area being low-lying, and liable to flood after heavy rains.

Cheviot Survey District.

84	XI.	24	0 0	6	0 3 12 0
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This section is situated about three-quarters of a mile from Port Robinson, and consists of open, broken agricultural and pastoral land, the soil being of a good sandy-loam character, carrying tussock and English grass.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Wainono Village Settlement for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 11th August, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for selection at this office, on lease in perpetuity, on and after Wednesday, the 15th September, 1897. If more than one application be received on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD ALLOTMENT, WAIMATE SURVEY DISTRICT.—
RESERVE 1126.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
31	XI.	A. R. P. 40 0 0	s. d. 9 7 2	£ s. d. 9 12 0

Rural Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 28th June, 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 25th August, 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.
SECOND-CLASS LAND.

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.
Hokianga ..	Herekino ..	8	II.	A. R. P. 48 1 0	s. d. 10 0	£ s. d. 24 0 0	s. d. 0 6	s. d. 12 0	s. d. 0 4 8	s. d. 9 8
		14	"	41 2 0	10 0	21 0 0	0 6	10 6	0 4 8	8 5

Situated about one mile from Herekino Post-office. Five acres open land on Section 8, and about 2 acres open on Section 14; balance on both sections light mixed forest.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Weighted with £74 18s. 6d. as valuation for improvements. This section is situated in the Wainono Village Settlement, lying north-east of the Township of Waimate. It contains undulating and flat agricultural land of good quality, and is suitable for occupation by gardeners and small farmers.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 27th July, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned green kauri timber, standing upon Sections 6 of Block I. and 79 of Block V., Hukerenui Survey District, in the Bay of Islands County, about two miles from Towai Post-office and eight miles from Kawakawa, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 17th day of September, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

About 190,000 sup. feet, standing on Section 6, Block I., Hukerenui Survey District. Upset price, £63 6s. 8d.

About 220,000 sup. feet, standing on Section 79, Block V., Hukerenui Survey District. Upset price, £73 6s. 8d.

This timber, if not required for home consumption, is to be conveyed to railway and shipped at Kawakawa or Whakapara.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Southland, open for Lease upon Application.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease upon application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, on and after Wednesday, the 1st September, 1897, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WALLACE COUNTY.—CENTRE HILL SURVEY DISTRICT.—SMALL GRAZING-RUN No. 41.
Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
13, 14, 15 1 to 6 8 to 12 1, 2 5, 6	III. IV. VI. VII.	4,808 0 0	0 2	20 0 8

Land partly level and swampy; vegetation principally snow-tussock. Height above sea-level, from 100 ft. to 1,300 ft. Distance from Mossburn Railway-station, about two miles. This run is burdened with £196 10s. as valuation for improvements.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 26th July, 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 15th September, 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.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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

Second-class Land.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Manukau ..	Awitu*	29	..	124	3	20	0	10	0	62	10	0	0	6	1	11	3
Open land, with about 14 acres swamp.				About four miles from Awitu Wharf.													
Hokianga ..	Waoku	24	I.	54	3	0	0	10	0	27	10	0	0	6	0	13	9
Open and forest land, undulating, and of fair quality.				About six miles from Rawene.													
Whangarei	Ruatangata*	71	..	52	0	12	0	5	0	13	0	0	0	3	0	6	6
Undulating fern and tea-tree land.																	

* Parish.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 16th August, 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 16th day of September, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Auckland, 97-60.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR PROBATE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
301	Heta Reweti Stewart	Miriama Kiritahanga.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 17th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Whakatane, Bay of Plenty, on the 13th day of September, 1897, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Auckland, 97-61.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALLENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties
1	Conveyance (C.A. 97-105)	25th June, 1897 ..	Lot 60, and eastern portion of Lot 62, Parish of Waioeka	Te Aira to William Oakes.
2	Transfer (C.A. 97-106) ..	29th September, 1894	Lot 87, Parish of Waioeka	Joseph Kennedy to Nehana Keneti, Maihi Matiu, Tuhi Wai, Te Whenua Matiu, and Hunuku Matiu.
3	Conveyance (C.A. 97-107)	10th February, 1897 ..	Lot 274, Parish of Waiotahi	James White to Mary Jane Campbell.
4	Mortgage (C.A. 97-108) ..	17th April, 1897 ..	Lot 9, Parish of Waioeka	Benjamin Walker to Maria Vilcoq.
5	Transfer (C.A. 97-109) ..	17th June, 1897 ..	Lot 258, Parish of Wai- mana	Dorothea Maria Garlick to Patrick Brown.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the appeal against the decision of the Native Land Court set forth in the Schedule hereto will be heard and determined by the Native Appellate Court sitting at Maketu, Bay of Plenty, on the 2nd day of September, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow. All persons interested are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 97-62.]

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Decision in respect of which Appeal is made.
16	Ruka Pakuru, Herora Tutu, Hirama Mokopapaki, Wiremu te Whareiro, Mikaere Taoki, and others (100-8, 1/29)	Ngapeke	Decision, dated the 12th day of June, 1896, partitioning the said land.

NOTE.—The Court will, as soon as it finishes its work at Maketu, adjourn to Tauranga to hear this case, if it is found convenient to do so.

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

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

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Maketu, Bay of Plenty, on the 2nd day of September, 1897, to rehear and determine the matter set forth in the Schedule hereto.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 97-63.]

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Land.	Decision in respect of which Rehearing has been granted.
1	Te Puna, Lot No. 157 (Oikimoke), (C.J.O. 91-226, N.L.C. 91-2000, 3/105)	Decisions, dated the 19th and 20th days of March, 1891, appointing successors to James Potier, Charles Potier, and Arawhena Potier.

NOTE.—The Court will, as soon as it finishes its work at Maketu, adjourn to Tauranga to hear this case, if it is found convenient to do so.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 17th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Port Awanui on the 13th day of September, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Gisborne, 97-39.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
1288	Keriana Tupaea (Mis. 2-258)	Popata te Kauru.

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

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 18th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that 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.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

[Gisborne, 97-40.]

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
689	Conveyance (2-285) ..	15th September, 1896	Taruheru F and part of G, and Makauri, Section 26	Eruera Pepi Paraone to Pehatara Mahaki.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 23rd August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at New Plymouth on the 15th day of September, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 97-72.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
94	Memorandum of transfer (97-286)	31st July, 1897	Puketotara, Subdivision 48A	Renata Hirini to George Jordan.
95	Conveyance (97-298)	24th July, 1897	Waitara, Block IV., Section 40, Subdivision 1	Raumoa Pamariki to Ernest Hornsby Gibbons.
96	Conveyance (97-299)	16th August, 1897	Waitara West, Section 60	Arapere Matawa to Gustavus Sole.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 23rd August, 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 Otaki on the 10th day of September, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 97-71.]

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
37	Lease (95-210, 94-278)	20th April, 1897	Iwi te Kai B, Section 1	Hemi Warens and others to John Allen Smith.
38	Transfer (97-284)	1st May, 1897	Part Otaki Town Section 52	Peehi Wi Parata to William Roxburgh.
39	Conveyance (97-285)	30th July, 1897	Otaki Town Section 94	Pene Kotene to Thomas McClelland.
40	Transfer (97-290)	10th August, 1897	Taumanuka No. 3	Wiremu Kiriwehi and others to Edmond Tudor Atkinson.
41	Transfer (97-293)	13th August, 1897	Horowhenua 3D No. 1, Subdivision 14	Pirihira Hautapu to Joseph Edward Roe.
42	Transfer (97-294)	13th August, 1897	Horowhenua 3D No. 2, Subdivision B	Warena Kerehi and others to Charles P. C. Roe and others.
43	Transfer (97-295)	19th July, 1897	Wairarapa	Hare Takirangi and others to Isabelle Dougal Barsby.
44	Transfer (97-304)	13th August, 1897	Wairarapa	Nireaha Tamaki to Isabelle Dougal Barsby.
45	Transfer (97-305)	19th August, 1897	Wairarapa	Pine Hakopa and others to Isabelle Dougal Barsby.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
48	Atareta Rikiriki and others	Aorangi 3E, Subdivision 4.
49	Raraku Hunia and another	Horowhenua No. 6.
50	Hema Henare and others	Horowhenua No. 6.
51	Winiata Pataka	Oahu No. 4.
52	Rangiwhiua Wikatene	Waiwiri No. 1.

APPLICATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
57	Ehete Hoani Kuiti	Muhunoa No. 3A.
58	Heni Kipa	Pahianui A No. 1.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Kaiapoi on the 13th day of September, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 97-73.]

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION TO DETERMINE RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
185	Hoani Maaka Hape and others	Kaiapoi 26.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT OF NEW ZEALAND,
AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

In the matter of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and of an application by Te Ata Erana, under section 39 of the said Act, for the inclusion of the name of her son, Ruka Tapata, as an owner in Kinohaku East No. 2, or Pakeho, Block.

WHEREAS the said application was referred by me to the Native Land Court for inquiry and report, and such inquiry was held at Otorohanga, on the 19th day of July, 1897, before Walter Edward Gudgeon, Esquire, a Judge of the said Court: And whereas, as the result of such inquiry, it appeared that an error had been made by the omission of the name of the said Ruka Tapata from the list of owners in the said block:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in me by section 39 aforesaid, I hereby order that the name of the said Ruka Tapata be included in the title to the said Kinohaku East No. 2 Block as the owner of one share therein, and that the order of the Court be amended accordingly; and I direct that this order be published in the *Gazette* and *Kahiti*.

As witness my hand, this 20th day of August, 1897.

GEO. B. DAVY, Chief Judge.

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

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Appellate Court advertised to take place at Whanganui on the 2nd September, 1897, has been adjourned to the 8th September, 1897, at the same place.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT, NEW ZEALAND,
WHANGANUI DISTRICT.

In the matter of Division II., Part II., of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and in the matter of the proprietors of Wharepu.

At a sitting of the Court held at Whanganui on the 24th day of August, 1897, before Robert Ward, Esquire, Judge, and Benjamin F. J. Edwards, Assessor, upon the certificate duly lodged in Court by the chairman of the first general meeting of the proprietors, it is hereby ordered and declared that the following seven persons are appointed the committee for the proprietors of Wharepu:—

- | | | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Te Ture Reneti. | 3. Rewi Reneti. | 5. Te Aohau Nikitini. | 7. Hawira Rehe. |
| 2. Eruini te Wiki. | 4. Maihi Aperaniko. | 6. Hoani Turi Whatahoro. | |

Given under the hand of Robert Ward, Esquire, Judge, and the Seal of the Court, this 24th day of August, 1897.

ROBERT WARD, Judge.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of JULY, 1897, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	77	59	17	13	166	35	20	4	3	62
Queensland .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
New South Wales	405	150	43	47	645	440	189	28	21	678
Victoria	111	48	9	6	174	87	57	5	5	154
South Australia .. ..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Western Australia .. ..	..	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania	28	7	..	..	35	14	11	..	..	25
Fiji	12	7	1	1	21	3	11	1	1	16
Other British possessions	8	3	2	..	13*	16.	11	4	2	33†
Pacific Islands	15	10	5	2	32‡	12	5	2	..	25§
Other foreign ports	2	3	..	3	8||	20.	7	..	1	28¶
Totals, July, 1897	658	289	77	73	1,097	633	311	44	33	1,021
Totals, July, 1896	679	286	54	53	1,072	640	322	43	45	1,050

* From Norfolk Islands, 9; Cook Islands, 2; Capetown, 2. † For Cape Colony, 3; Cook Islands, 15; Norfolk Island, 12; Malden Island, 3. ‡ From Friendly Islands. § For Friendly Islands. ¶ From United States of America—East Coast 1, West Coast 7. ¶ For United States of America—East Coast 1, West Coast 21; Monte Video, 4; Honolulu, 2.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	4	3	7
Auckland	457	84	368	173	541	379	30	273	136	409
Wellington	276	39	204	111	315	339	31	290	130	420
Westport	1	1	..	2	2	1	1	..	2	2
Timaru	1	3	2	2	4	..	..	..	..	..
Dunedin	17	8	12	13	25	9	..	3	..	3
Invercargill	195	15	149	61	210	170	10	107	73	180
Totals, July, 1897	947	150	735	362	1,097	944	77	677	344	1,021
Totals, July, 1896	965	107	733	339	1,072	962	88	683	367	1,050

CHINESE.—Arrivals: At Wellington, 6; Invercargill, 1. Departures: From Auckland, 8; Wellington, 6.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 24th August, 1897.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—*Acres and Actual Yields of Maize, Peas, Beans, Rye-grass, Cocksfoot, and Potato Crops, 1896-97.*—Notice No. 473.

Department of Agriculture, Wellington, 13th August, 1897.

THE following information is now supplied in continuation of the return published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 8th ultimo, and completes the publication of "Actual Yields" for the season.

JOHN D. RITCHIE, Secretary.

ACREAGE AND ACTUAL YIELD IN CORN-CROPS, ETC.

Provincial District.	Maize.			Peas.			Beans.			Rye-grass.			Cocksfoot.			Potatoes.			
	Acres.	Yield per Acre in Bushels.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Yield per Acre in Bushels.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Yield per Acre in Bushels.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Yield per Acre in Bushels of 20 lb.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Yield per Acre in Pounds.	Total Pounds.	Acres.	Yield per Acre in Tons.	Total Tons.	
Auckland	1897	11,112	42½	472,260	146	27½	4,015	85	20	1,700	6,428	14	89,992	3,512	100	351,200	6,795	4	27,180
	1896	11,734	46	539,764	105	25	2,625	46	27	1,242	9,218	10	92,180	2,844	90	255,960	7,304	5-53	40,391
Hawke's Bay	1897	989	20	19,780	42	35	1,470	34	26	884	3,700	18	66,600	4,237	142	601,654	1,760	4	7,040
	1896	1,105	35	38,675	37	30	1,110	171	34	5,814	3,289	18-35	60,353	1,559	240	374,160	1,536	4-14	6,359
Taranaki	1897	260	24	6,240	35	35	1,225	243	33½	8,140	497	14½	7,206	6,747	172	1,160,484	1,906	6	11,436
	1896	557	34	18,938	20	30	600	312	37	11,544	791	20	15,820	4,992	257	1,282,944	1,801	5-41	9,743
Wellington	1897	158	34	5,372	638	30¾	19,618	218	32¾	7,139	1,863	12½	23,287	5,198	125	649,750	3,393	6	20,358
	1896	420	32	13,440	561	33	18,513	289	36	10,404	2,338	17-40	40,681	7,054	90	634,860	4,401	7-66	33,712
Marlborough	1897	..	..	..	1,294	21¾	28,144	76	26	1,976	436	22	9,592	636	270	171,720	697	7	4,879
	1896	1	25	25	1,269	22	27,918	176	30	5,280	346	21-69	7,505	319	240	76,560	713	6	4,278
Nelson	1897	*13	..	..	695	19¾	13,725	122	18¾	2,257	219	15½	3,339	175	158	27,650	1,328	6-25	8,300
	1896	1	38	38	215	25	5,375	74	28	2,072	163	15-38	2,507	64	291	18,624	634	5-63	3,569
Westland	1897	..	..	..	*1	..	..	..	..	..	32	17	544	..	..	..	346	5	1,730
	1896	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*60	..	..	3	150	450	299	5-29	1,582
Canterbury	1897	*2	..	..	4,608	23	105,984	3,148	30	94,440	10,802	16½	178,233	28,210	188	5,303,480	7,781	6	46,686
	1896	16	20	320	4,844	28	135,632	3,784	36	136,224	16,954	19	322,126	19,055	224	4,268,320	8,368	8-22	68,785
Otago	1897	..	..	..	92	30	2,760	13	26	338	17,841	25½	454,945	907	100	90,700	5,984	5	29,920
	1896	..	..	..	149	20	2,980	11	26	286	23,948	23-41	560,623	850	152	129,200	6,941	5-56	38,592
Totals	1897	12,534	40-23	503,652	7,551	23-44	176,941	3,939	29-67	116,874	41,818	19-94	833,738	49,622	168	8,356,638	29,990	5-25	157,529
	1896	13,834	44-18	611,200	7,200	27-05	194,753	4,863	35-55	172,866	57,107	19-31	1,101,795	36,740	192	7,041,078	31,997	6-47	207,011

* Not included in averages.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 24th July, 1897, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1896.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	28	12	40	46	20	66
2nd Class	99	196	295	153	164	317
Total	127	208	335	199	184	383
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	81	..	..	93
Horses	..	..	1	..	..	7
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	2	..	..	2
Total	..	..	84	..	..	102
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	4	..	..	8
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	112	..	..	111
Minerals	..	..	529	..	..	1,043
Total	..	..	645	..	..	1,162
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	17 0 0	..	..	21 0 5
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	6 7 8	..	..	8 18 2
Goods	..	..	101 11 10	..	..	154 8 8
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	4 1 7
Rents and Commission	..	..	1 3 0	..	..	3 5 0
Total	..	..	£126 2 6	..	..	£191 18 10

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	145	116	261	424	..	424
2nd Class	576	1,060	1,636	2,601	20	2,621
Total	721	1,176	1,897	3,025	20	3,045
Season Tickets	..	..	7	..	..	3
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	124	..	..	..
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	1	..	..	..
Total	..	..	125	..	..	..
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	2
Cattle	..	..	8	..	..	4
Calves	..	..	1	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	284	..	..	157
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	293	..	..	163
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	36	..	..	18
Timber	..	..	78	..	..	30
Grain	..	..	98	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	189	..	..	298
Minerals	..	..	3,279	..	..	2,899
Total	..	..	3,680	..	..	3,245
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	95 4 7	..	..	55 13 9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	8 19 6	..	..	5 0 0
Goods	..	..	554 2 6	..	..	456 1 5
Miscellaneous	..	..	3 0 10	..	..	0 17 0
Rents and Commission	..	..	18 0 2	..	..	3 19 5
Total	..	..	£679 7 7	..	..	£521 11 7

KAIHU SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	10	100	110	13	122	135
2nd Class	151	1,154	1,305	247	1,416	1,663
Total	161	1,254	1,415	260	1,538	1,798
Season Tickets	..	..	16	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	88	..	..	113
Horses	..	..	2	..	..	1
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	10	..	..	3
Total	..	..	100	..	..	117
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	6	..	..	30
Timber	..	..	3,279	..	..	1,065
Grain	..	..	4	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	141	..	..	149
Minerals	..	..	9	..	..	44
Total	..	..	3,439	..	..	1,288
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	77 2 11	..	..	91 15 0
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	10 1 3	..	..	9 11 3
Goods	..	..	696 10 1	..	..	291 17 2
Miscellaneous	..	..	32 13 11	..	..	9 4 3
Rents and Commission	..	..	13 17 6	..	..	6 5 0
Total	..	..	£830 5 8	..	..	£408 12 8

AUCKLAND SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	1,364	2,834	4,198	1,331	2,928	4,259
2nd Class	6,392	19,734	26,126	6,360	20,064	26,424
Total	7,756	22,568	30,324	7,691	22,992	30,683
Season Tickets	..	..	681	..	..	601
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	3,650	..	..	3,592
Horses	..	..	20	..	..	19
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	3
Dogs	..	..	170	..	..	177
Total	..	..	3,841	..	..	3,791
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	5	..	..	10
Cattle	..	..	714	..	..	435
Calves	..	..	20	..	..	148
Sheep	..	..	7,578	..	..	7,816
Pigs	..	..	231	..	..	197
Total	..	..	8,548	..	..	8,606
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	1,176	..	..	678
Firewood	..	..	7	..	..	2
Timber	..	..	312	..	..	120
Grain	..	..	1,971	..	..	1,179
Merchandise	..	..	875	..	..	684
Minerals	..	..	2,060	..	..	1,978
Total	..	..	7,786	..	..	8,297
Total	..	..	14,187	..	..	12,938
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	2,822 1 11	..	..	2,812 16 3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	416 17 1	..	..	410 17 9
Goods	..	..	6,008 5 11	..	..	5,312 13 4
Miscellaneous	..	..	18 19 2	..	..	38 5 7
Rents and Commission	..	..	355 6 8	..	..	341 15 3
Total	..	..	£9,621 10 9	..	..	£8,916 8 2

NAPIER-TARANAKI SECTION.

	1897.			1896.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	1,488	6,852	8,340	1,669	8,058	9,727	
2nd Class	7,487	25,284	32,771	7,992	29,294	37,286	
Total	8,975	32,136	41,111	9,661	37,352	47,013	
Season Tickets	..	..	469	..	..	454
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Parcels	..	..	5,545	..	..	5,229
Horses	..	..	161	..	..	196
Carriages	..	..	24	..	..	18
Dogs	..	..	510	..	..	481
Total	..	..	6,240	..	..	5,924
GOODS,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Drays	..	..	16	..	..	11
Cattle	..	..	969	..	..	759
Calves	..	..	106	..	..	26
Sheep	..	..	29,908	..	..	23,993
Pigs	..	..	507	..	..	345
Total	..	..	31,506	..	..	25,134
		Tons.	Tons.		Tons.	Tons.	
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	576	..	..	204
Wool	..	..	103	..	..	67
Firewood	..	..	2,410	..	..	2,406
Timber	..	..	3,755	..	..	3,062
Grain	..	..	2,330	..	..	1,588
Merchandise	..	..	3,826	..	..	3,460
Minerals	..	..	2,147	..	..	1,248
Total	..	..	15,147	..	..	12,035
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	5,217	9	5	5,824	14	3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	813	7	11	812	7	8
Goods	..	7,148	3	3	5,936	11	1
Miscellaneous	..	218	11	2	177	1	2
Rents and Commission	..	632	7	10	568	7	1
Total	..	£14,029	19	7	£13,319	1	3

WELLINGTON SECTION.

	1897.			1896.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	673	7,460	8,133	710	5,682	6,392	
2nd Class	3,684	22,034	25,718	3,636	19,892	23,528	
Total	4,357	29,494	33,851	4,346	25,574	29,920	
Season Tickets	..	..	814	..	..	652
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Parcels	..	..	5,313	..	..	4,626
Horses	..	..	103	..	..	38
Carriages	..	..	3	..	..	2
Dogs	..	..	145	..	..	123
Total	..	..	5,564	..	..	4,789
GOODS,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Drays	..	..	7	..	..	2
Cattle	..	..	190	..	..	130
Calves	..	..	37	..	..	29
Sheep	..	..	15,075	..	..	11,121
Pigs	..	..	113	..	..	53
Total	..	..	15,422	..	..	11,335
		Tons.	Tons.		Tons.	Tons.	
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	394	..	..	330
Wool	..	..	217	..	..	38
Firewood	..	..	588	..	..	396
Timber	..	..	2,510	..	..	1,425
Grain	..	..	802	..	..	452
Merchandise	..	..	1,726	..	..	1,196
Minerals	..	..	1,797	..	..	655
Total	..	..	8,024	..	..	4,492
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	2,434	5	9	2,277	16	9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	423	11	0	367	10	5
Goods	..	4,167	18	9	2,692	16	1
Miscellaneous	..	18	4	8	24	10	9
Rents and Commission	..	384	10	10	351	5	8
Total	..	£7,428	11	0	£5,713	19	8

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

	1897.			1896.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	2,388	18,988	21,376	3,091	19,526	22,617	
2nd Class	16,535	77,552	94,087	16,322	79,514	95,836	
Total	19,423	96,540	115,463	19,413	99,040	118,453	
Season Tickets	..	..	2,163	..	..	1,806
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Parcels	..	..	19,327	..	..	17,897
Horses	..	..	198	..	..	237
Carriages	..	..	34	..	..	22
Dogs	..	..	846	..	..	818
Total	..	..	20,405	..	..	18,974
GOODS,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Drays	..	..	35	..	..	17
Cattle	..	..	107	..	..	808
Calves	..	..	72	..	..	24
Sheep	..	..	80,440	..	..	59,205
Pigs	..	..	2,021	..	..	3,548
Total	..	..	82,675	..	..	63,602
		Tons.	Tons.		Tons.	Tons.	
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	5,104	..	..	3,444
Wool	..	..	1,305	..	..	1,145
Firewood	..	..	2,196	..	..	2,304
Timber	..	..	8,590	..	..	6,897
Grain	..	..	21,979	..	..	22,219
Merchandise	..	..	24,536	..	..	16,515
Minerals	..	..	32,569	..	..	29,780
Total	..	..	96,279	..	..	82,304
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	12,002	8	10	12,213	5	1
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	2,280	13	4	2,126	14	8
Goods	..	32,093	16	11	26,771	8	11
Miscellaneous	..	774	17	3	638	7	4
Rents and Commission	..	1,837	8	0	1,885	10	2
Total	..	£48,989	4	4	£43,635	6	2

GREYMOUTH-BRUNNER SECTION.

	1897.			1896.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	67	256	323	77	352	429	
2nd Class	706	3,764	4,470	859	3,924	4,783	
Total	773	4,020	4,793	936	4,276	5,212	
Season Tickets	..	..	38	..	..	34
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Parcels	..	..	478	..	..	473
Horses	..	..	3	..	..	2
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	26	..	..	13
Total	..	..	507	..	..	488
GOODS,—		No.	No.		No.	No.	
Drays	..	..	1	..	..	3
Cattle	..	..	1	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	262	..	..	139
Pigs	..	..	36	..	..	23
Total	..	..	300	..	..	165
		Tons.	Tons.		Tons.	Tons.	
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	54	..	..	43
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	384	..	..	6
Timber	..	..	1,697	..	..	1,099
Grain	..	..	185	..	..	151
Merchandise	..	..	439	..	..	355
Minerals	..	..	10,901	..	..	10,704
Total	..	..	13,660	..	..	12,363
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	156	5	5	168	1	7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	15	6	5	14	12	10
Goods	..	1,603	15	7	1,371	4	6
Miscellaneous	..	116	12	4	211	10	3
Rents and Commission	..	33	10	6	30	6	6
Total	..	£1,925	10	3	£1,795	15	8

GREYMOOUTH-HOKITIKA SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	30	296	326	35	328	363
2nd Class	508	1,968	2,476	504	2,042	2,546
Total	538	2,264	2,802	539	2,370	2,909
Season Tickets	..	..	99	..	..	99
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	200	..	..	168
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	2
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dogs	..	..	8	..	..	5
Total	..	..	208	..	..	176
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	21	..	..	55
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	22
Total	..	..	21	..	..	78
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	6	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	78	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	683	..	..	676
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	442	..	..	538
Minerals	..	..	105	..	..	106
Total	..	..	1,314	..	..	1,315
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	242 7 1	..	..	249 0 0
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	22 8 4	..	..	24 11 11
Goods	..	..	313 5 2	..	..	355 13 3
Miscellaneous	..	..	Dr. 1 2 4	..	..	Dr. 0 2 1
Rents and Commission	..	..	20 16 0	..	..	18 17 0
Total	..	..	£597 14 3	..	..	£648 0 1

WESTPORT SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	9	52	61	..	42	42
2nd Class	650	2,966	3,616	534	2,956	3,490
Total	659	3,018	3,677	534	2,998	3,532
Season Tickets	..	..	9	..	..	11
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	182	..	..	228
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	8	..	..	2
Total	..	..	190	..	..	230
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	2	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	1
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	49
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	2	..	..	50
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	12	..	..	13
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	252	..	..	264
Timber	..	..	465	..	..	323
Grain	..	..	7	..	..	4
Merchandise	..	..	246	..	..	310
Minerals	..	..	24,337	..	..	24,773
Total	..	..	25,319	..	..	25,692
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	201 18 0	..	..	207 14 5
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	15 3 6	..	..	16 6 4
Goods	..	..	3,287 14 9	..	..	3,327 3 3
Miscellaneous	..	..	90 3 4	..	..	134 16 10
Rents and Commission	..	..	65 8 11	..	..	56 13 4
Total	..	..	£3,660 8 6	..	..	£3,742 14 2

NELSON SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	13	110	123	18	178	196
2nd Class	623	2,616	3,239	735	3,106	3,841
Total	636	2,726	3,362	753	3,284	4,037
Season Tickets	..	..	15	..	..	18
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	216	..	..	238
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	14	..	..	22
Total	..	..	231	..	..	260
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	78	..	..	36
Wool	..	..	1	..	..	2
Firewood	..	..	126	..	..	132
Timber	..	..	119	..	..	117
Grain	..	..	152	..	..	127
Merchandise	..	..	98	..	..	144
Minerals	..	..	336	..	..	106
Total	..	..	910	..	..	664
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	193 9 9	..	..	243 4 9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	18 3 7	..	..	18 15 10
Goods	..	..	232 14 9	..	..	242 9 6
Miscellaneous	..	..	34 0 3	..	..	20 9 5
Rents and Commission	..	..	12 19 0	..	..	12 13 0
Total	..	..	£541 7 4	..	..	£542 12 6

PICTON SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	83	230	313	109	342	451
2nd Class	434	1,322	1,756	432	1,184	1,616
Total	517	1,552	2,069	541	1,526	2,067
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	30
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	..	..	..	4
Horses	..	..	1	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	5	..	..	11
Total	..	..	6	..	..	15
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	1	..	..	1
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sheep	..	..	121	..	..	25
Pigs	..	..	20	..	..	..
Total	..	..	142	..	..	27
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	306	..	..	246
Wool	..	..	7	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	450	..	..	270
Timber	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grain	..	..	316	..	..	179
Merchandise	..	..	79	..	..	80
Minerals	..	..	276	..	..	617
Total	..	..	1,434	..	..	1,392
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	124 16 11	..	..	131 8 4
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	8 0 11	..	..	7 9 8
Goods	..	..	298 17 0	..	..	314 7 1
Miscellaneous	21 17 3	18 1 1
Rents and Commission	38 7 0	37 0 0
Total	£491 19 1	£508 6 2

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Railway Department, 24th August, 1897.

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1897-98.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 24th July, 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	£ 126 s. 2 d.	£ 604 s. 4 d.	£ 164 s. 11 d.	£ 1,077 s. 18 d.	178.40	£ 245 s. 9 d.	£ 437 s. 18 d.	
Whangarei ..	18	679 7 7	2,978 12 10	632 2 0	2,934 4 2	98.51	537 16 2	529 15 9	
Kaihu ..	17	830 5 8	4,702 9 4	466 1 8	1,755 2 8	37.32	899 0 0	335 10 10	
Auckland ..	312	9,621 10 9	42,369 3 11	7,051 8 7	29,759 15 1	70.24	453 2 11	318 5 9	
Napier-Taranaki ..	332	14,029 19 7	59,115 19 1	11,609 11 11	50,683 5 9	85.74	578 13 11	496 2 11	
Wellington ..	110	7,428 11 0	31,867 8 6	5,538 12 10	19,997 2 0	62.75	977 1 4	613 2 4	
Total ..	797	32,715 17 1	141,637 17 11	25,462 8 6	106,207 8 0	74.99			
MIDDLE ISLAND,—									
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,133	48,989 4 4	249,038 18 7	38,098 2 10	145,189 3 1	58.30	714 7 4	416 9 7	
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	1,925 10 3	7,609 18 7	1,043 8 8	4,193 8 5	55.10	3,091 10 8	1,703 11 7	
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	597 14 3	2,845 8 10	367 15 6	1,674 16 6	58.86	385 6 5	226 16 0	
Westport ..	31	3,660 8 6	15,335 1 7	1,611 19 11	6,168 2 6	40.22	1,607 14 2	646 13 2	
Nelson ..	23	541 7 4	3,073 5 1	730 0 6	2,600 6 9	84.61	434 5 3	367 8 9	
Pictou ..	21	491 19 1	2,736 17 10	723 6 2	2,824 18 6	103.22	423 11 4	437 3 10	
Total ..	1,240	56,206 3 9	280,639 10 6	42,574 13 7	162,650 15 9	57.96			
Grand total ..	2,037	88,922 0 10	422,277 8 5	68,037 2 1	268,858 3 9	63.67			

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—									
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 191 s. 13 d.	£ 803 s. 3 d.	£ 185 s. 15 d.	£ 876 s. 3 d.	109.09	£ 326 s. 5 d.	£ 355 s. 18 d.	
Whangarei ..	15	521 11 7	2,461 1 5	508 17 2	1,773 11 5	72.07	533 4 8	384 5 5	
Kaihu ..	17	408 12 8	2,028 18 8	170 1 10	1,000 3 6	49.30	387 17 8	191 4 2	
Auckland ..	309	8,916 8 2	37,305 12 4	7,098 16 9	27,843 14 3	74.64	392 7 5	292 17 1	
Napier-Taranaki ..	332	13,319 1 3	57,997 8 7	11,610 3 11	41,378 3 1	71.34	567 14 11	405 1 2	
Wellington ..	94	5,713 19 8	23,984 7 7	3,854 7 9	15,161 17 11	63.22	829 4 11	524 4 3	
Total ..	775	29,071 7 2	124,580 11 11	23,428 2 8	88,033 13 5	70.66			
MIDDLE ISLAND,—									
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,133	43,635 6 2	217,154 12 10	33,105 13 6	130,557 14 4	60.12	623 6 4	374 15 0	
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	1,795 15 8	7,523 2 6	1,123 19 2	4,112 2 7	54.66	3,056 5 4	1,670 11 0	
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	648 0 1	2,632 4 2	317 18 3	1,259 0 3	47.83	356 8 11	170 9 10	
Westport ..	31	3,742 14 2	14,168 6 3	2,425 8 1	6,074 1 0	42.87	1,485 7 9	636 15 11	
Nelson ..	23	542 12 6	3,014 16 4	591 7 7	2,483 15 8	82.39	426 0 1	350 19 4	
Pictou ..	21	508 6 2	2,396 17 8	599 11 11	2,217 14 5	92.53	370 18 11	343 4 4	
Total ..	1,240	50,872 14 9	246,889 19 9	38,163 18 6	146,704 8 3	59.42			
Grand total ..	2,015	79,944 1 11	371,470 11 8	61,592 1 2	234,738 1 8	63.19			

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Railway Department, 24th August, 1897.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC on ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1897, to 24th July, 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	85,420	199,944	182,907	944,310	1,362,581	15,034	156,237	3,155	234	8,785	168,411	294	9,883	1,118	683,788	17,221	712,304	
1896	34,687	180,978	173,635	790,598	1,179,898	12,505	139,596	3,244	206	7,912	150,958	214	9,275	928	567,120	25,274	602,811	
Inc.	733	18,966	9,272	153,712	182,683	2,529	16,641	..	28	873	17,453	80	608	190	116,668	..	109,498	
Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,053	..

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.	
1897	31,414	0 0	10,165	4 0	29,966	0 0	100,230	14 0	192,246	5 0	136,020	16 0	36,080	9 0	836,123 8 0
1896	23,278	0 0	8,602	16 0	27,704	0 0	66,904	16 0	165,652	16 0	116,346	19 0	321,200	19 0	729,690 6 0
Increase	8,136	0 0	1,562	8 0	2,262	0 0	33,325	18 0	26,593	9 0	19,673	17 0	14,879	10 0	106,433 2 0
Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1897, 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	137,734	0 0	1,195	0 0
Kaihu	54,990	0 0	..	..
Marton-Te Awamutu (north end)	184,624	0 0	119,713	0 0
Auckland	1,979,071	0 0	110,371	0 0
Napier	872,931	0 0	..	..
Marton-Te Awamutu (south end)	143,630	0 0	98,761	0 0
Wanganui	1,446,564	0 0	..	..
Wellington-Foxton (private-line)	..	..	42,116	0 0
Wellington	1,098,418	0 0	116,470	0 0
Surveys	..	..	28,597	0 0
Miscellaneous	..	..	5,169	0 0
Hurunui-Bluff	8,551,104	0 0	129,967	0 0
Greymouth	200,288	0 0	15,959	0 0
Greymouth Harbour Works	..	..	127,234	0 0
Greymouth-Hokitika	192,597	0 0	..	..
Westport	227,494	0 0	..	..
Westport Harbour Works	..	..	14,111	0 0
Nelson	166,736	0 0	12,537	0 0
Picton	205,573	0 0	58,637	0 0
Stock	..	..	32,788	0 0
Stock in suspense	25,000	0 0
Surveys	38,795	0 0
Miscellaneous	5,168	0 0
Total	15,577,392	0 0	957,588	0 0

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Te Makarini Scholarships, held at Te Aute College, Hawke's Bay.

THREE scholarships of the yearly value of £35, tenable for two years, are offered for competition. One of these scholarships, to be called the senior scholarship, is open to all Maori boys under sixteen years of age at the end of the month preceding the date of the examination: the other two scholarships are junior scholarships, one of which is open to all Maori boys under fifteen years of age at the end of the month preceding the date of the examination who have attended a Native school or schools other than Te Aute or St. Stephen's, and whose attendance at school during the previous year is considered by the Inspector of Native Schools to have been satisfactory; the other is open to Maori boys whose attendance at any school during the previous year has been similarly satisfactory. The senior scholarship is offered for competition among Maori boys on the conditions laid down in the regulations of the Trustees of the Te Makarini Scholarships Fund, as printed in the Native Schools Code, 1897. Candidates for the junior scholarships will be examined in the subjects specified for Standard IV. in the Native Schools Code, 1897. The questions will, however, be more difficult than those set for the standard examinations. The examination will be held at convenient centres on the 20th and 21st December, 1897.

Candidates must, either directly or through their teachers, send notice to the Inspector of Native Schools, Education Department, Wellington, of their intention to present themselves for examination. Such notice must be posted not later than the 31st October next.

Copies of the regulations and forms of notice may be obtained from teachers of Native schools and boarding institutions, the Secretaries to Education Boards, or the Secretary for Education.

JAMES H. POPE,
Inspector of Native Schools.

Wellington, 15th March, 1897.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES NORTON, ALFRED NORTON, JOHN NORTON, and JAMES NORTON, carrying on business as "Norton Bros.," of Mercury Bay, Contractors, were this day adjudged bankrupts; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at Mr. D. Bryce's store, Mercury Bay, on Monday, the 23rd day of August, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,
Auckland, 14th August, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ISABELLA BANKS ALDRED, of Great North Road, Newton, Married Woman, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 23rd day of August, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,
Auckland, 16th August, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS KING, of Paeroa, Saddler and Harnessmaker, was this day adjudged bankrupt upon creditor's petition; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 24th day of August, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,
Auckland, 17th August, 1897. Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following dividends will be payable at my office on Friday, 20th August, on all proved and admitted claims:—

Richard Landsdowne, of Korokipo, Farmer, first and final, of 1s. 7½d. in the pound.
Jane Elizabeth Cullen, of Napier, Widow, first and final, of 8s. 5½d. in the pound.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Napier, 19th August, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRY CHARLES BALLANTYNE, of Taradale, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Napier, on Wednesday, the 1st day of September, 1897, at 11.30 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Napier, 20th August, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CORNELIUS O'REILLY, of Waipawa, Bootmaker, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, on Wednesday, the 8th day of September, 1897, at 2 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Napier, 24th August, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRY VEALE, of Waipawa, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, on Wednesday, the 8th day of September, 1897, at 1 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Napier, 24th August, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that RICHARD CHARLES HUMPHREYS, of Wellington, Carpenter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 1st day of September, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Wellington, 25th August, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE HALL, of Le Bon's Bay, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 1st day of September, 1897, at 2 o'clock.

G. L. GREENWOOD,
Christchurch, 24th August, 1897. Official Assignee.

Mining Notices.

THE GREAT MERCURY GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with section 11 of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," that it is the intention of the above-named company to voluntarily cease to carry on business in the Colony of New Zealand.

Dated this 11th day of August, 1897.
H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Attorney for the Great Mercury Gold-mining Company (Limited).
New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland. 1102

THE AKBAR GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above-named company is situated at the Government Life Insurance Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland; and that Mr. SYDNEY T. TWENTYMAN has been appointed Legal Manager thereof.

Dated the 18th day of August, 1897.
J. M. CROWN, }
H. SEON, } Directors.
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I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability) as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is the Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations is at Preservation District, in the Fiord County.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 140, Hereford Street, in the City of Christchurch.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim and machinery, is fourteen thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is twenty-four thousand, of one pound each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is twenty-four thousand, on which more than 5 per cent. has been paid up.
7. The name of the Manager is Harry Aulsebrook Bruce, of Christchurch, Accountant.
8. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follow:—

	No. of Shares.
Longuet, Lewis Alfred, Preservation, Miner	1,500
Wright, Robert, Preservation, Miner	2,000
Tresseder, Thomas, Preservation, Miner	1,500
Longuet, Charles Stephen, Invercargill, Solicitor ..	700
Longuet, Mrs. C. S., Invercargill	100
Greene, Michael, Oamaru, Constable	1,000
Macdonald, Herbert Alexander, Invercargill, soli- citor	2,125
Macdonald, Mrs. H. A., Invercargill	100
Rochfort, Hugh, Dunedin, Bank Clerk	500
Grigor, William Panton, Invercargill, M.D.	400
Grigor, Mrs. W. P., Invercargill	100
Macdonald, Arnold Morell, Invercargill, Law Clerk ..	150
Rasmussen, Hans P., Winton, Constable	200
Wright, Edward George, Winslow, Sheep-farmer ..	1,050
Trent, James, Christchurch, Gentleman	1,793
Henderson, James, Christchurch, Sharebroker	817
Graham, F. E., Christchurch, Clerk	525
Gray, J. R., Auckland, Importer	500
Jennings, Dr. E., Christchurch	500
Malcolm, Robert, Christchurch, Warehouseman ..	500
Stopford, F. J., Napier, Gentleman	500
Grossman, J. P., Christchurch, Professor	660
Foster, T. G., Christchurch, Schoolmaster	600
Burns, B. H., Christchurch, Bank-manager	400
Burns, Mrs. A. M., Christchurch	100
Harrington, E. J., Christchurch, Agent	250
Todhunter, C. F., Christchurch, Sheep-farmer ..	250
Bruce, H. A., Christchurch, Accountant	367
Bruce, A. Selwyn, Christchurch, Ironmonger	100
Bean, W. C., Christchurch, Accountant	200
Wise, G. R., Christchurch, Law Clerk	50
Freeman, J. L., Christchurch, Law Clerk	70
Hopkins, W. J. M., Christchurch, Agent	200
Howell, C. S., Christchurch, Gentleman	100
Macbeth, W. N., Christchurch, Accountant	100
Pannell, Charles, Christchurch, Tailor	100
Clarkson, A., Christchurch, Salesman	25
Banks, B., Christchurch, Clerk	160
Baker, H., Christchurch, Stationer	50
Malthus, H., Christchurch, Warehouseman	50
Wither, J. B., Christchurch, Clerk	200
Wilkin, Robert, Christchurch, Cycle-manufacturer ..	20
Paterson, G. B., Invercargill, Accountant	100
Allen, R., Invercargill, Agent	20
Palethorpe, T., Burnham, Manager	250
Bailey, F. G., Invercargill, Cutter	100
Louisson, C., Christchurch, Brewer	300
Freeman, Thomas, Christchurch, Clerk	50
Campbell, W. D., Christchurch, Student	50
Kennedy, A. F., Gisborne	200
Laing, Dr., Gisborne	100
Davis, C. P., Gisborne	100
Hood, W. F. A., Gisborne	100
French, R. M., Oamaru, Publican	100
Scarvell, J. L., Christchurch, Accountant	50
Willecox, John, Auckland, Mine-manager	8
Macdonald, P. and A., Invercargill, Clerks	50
McGregor, J., Invercargill, Accountant	100
Collie, W., Invercargill	100
Cleave, R., Invercargill, Seedsman	200
McKay, D. W., Invercargill, Auctioneer	25
Trew, George, Invercargill, Company-manager ..	50
Bissett, D., Invercargill, Hotelkeeper	100
Hamilton, J., Invercargill	200
McAlister, Hugh, Invercargill, Hotelkeeper	100
Kingsland, John, Invercargill, Confectioner ..	50
McChesney, T., Invercargill, Grocer	50
Wade, Mrs. F. W., Invercargill	20
Wade, Miss F., Invercargill	20
Roche, D., jun., Invercargill, Clerk	100
Johnston, N., Invercargill, Hotelkeeper	50
McIlwrick, J., Invercargill, Accountant	50
McDonald, Colin, Invercargill, Tailor	100
Harvey, James, Invercargill, Solicitor	10
Hall, A. N., Invercargill, Ironmonger	50
Tipping, C. A., Invercargill, Chief Postmaster ..	50
Holloway, George, Invercargill, Miner	100
Findlay, John, Invercargill, Insurance Clerk ..	50
Junker, F. A., Auckland, Miner	150
Thompson, F. W., Christchurch, Dentist	85
Total	24,000

Dated this 16th day of August, 1897.

H. A. BRUCE, Manager.

Witness to signature — Archibald Scott, J.P., Christchurch.

I, Harry Aulsebrook Bruce, of Christchurch, Accountant, 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. A. BRUCE.

Taken before me, at Christchurch, this 16th day of August, 1897—Archibald Scott, J.P.

C. S. LONGUET, Solicitor, Invercargill.

1123

THE ISLAND BLOCK EXTENDED GOLD COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at the office of the Perpetual Trustees Estate and Agency Company of New Zealand (Limited) on Thursday, 28th October, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated the 19th day of August, 1897.

WALTER HISLOP,

1120

Liquidator.

THE TOKATEA CONSOLS GOLD-MINES (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and "The Mining Act, 1891," that the office or place of business of the above-named company in New Zealand has been changed from Shortland Street to the office of the undersigned, in the New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

D. G. MACDONNELL,

Attorney for the said Company.

HESKETH AND RICHMOND,

Solicitors for the Company.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT WATER-RACE.

Hauraki Mining District, 27th May, 1897.

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 F, in Black Rock Creek known as "Billy the Mouse's" camp, at Great Barrier, and terminating at a peg marked F at foot of Black Rock Spur, Great Barrier.

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

The water now applied for is to run for about half the distance through another race applied for by me by a separate application of even date herewith.

The mean depth of such race is 3 ft., and the mean breadth is 2 ft. 6 in., and it is proposed to divert twenty Government heads of water.

Cost of construction: £1,000.

Time required for construction: Twelve months.

Number and date of miner's right: No. 16309; 4th May, 1897.

ROWLAND CHARLES FIELDING

(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.

Adjourned hearing at 10 o'clock on the 7th September, 1897, at Warden's Court, Thames.

J. ASKENBECK,

Pro Warden.

Warden's Office, 27th May, 1897 (3.25 p.m.).

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT WATER-RACE.

Hauraki Mining District, 27th May, 1897.

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 F, under Black Rock, on the Kaitoke Creek, Great Barrier, and terminating at a peg marked F at foot of Black Rock Spur, Great Barrier.

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

The water now applied for is to run for about half the distance through another race applied for by me by a separate application of even date herewith.

The mean depth of such race is 3 ft. and the mean breadth is 2 ft. 6 in., and it is proposed to divert twenty Government heads of water.

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Warden's Office, 27th May, 1897 (3.25 p.m.). 1118

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

8029. JOHN COWPER.—1 rood 29 perches, part of Rural Section 257, Borough of St. Albans. Occupied by George Smith.

8030. ANNIE WOODHAM.—27½ perches, part of Rural Section 257, Borough of St. Albans. Occupied by Applicant.

8099. EVA MABEL BOYD.—1 rood 25 perches, part of Lot 158, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Harry Sycamore.

8109. JOHN ORR.—20 acres, Rural Section 3805, Wakanui Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8114. EFFIEGENIA MARIA LOUISA STUDHOLME.—48 acres 1 rood 17 perches, Rural Section 11262, and part of Rural Section 10406, Waimate Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

1121

EVIDENCE of the loss of certificate of title, Vol. xvi., folio 72, in favour of JAMES PRESCOTT, of Ruakaka, Farmer, for Allotment 76 of the Parish of Ruakaka, having been lodged with me, and application made to issue a provisional certificate of title, notice is hereby given of my intention to issue a provisional certificate of title accordingly at the expiration of fourteen days after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 16th day of August, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
District Land Registrar.

1124

APPLICATION having been made to me to register a dealing affecting memorandum of mortgage No. 9049, from JOHN REID to DAVID MITCHELL ROSS and WILLIAM MONTAGUE SIMS, over part of Rural Section 1652, comprised in certificate of title, Vol. liii., folio 88, and evidence having been furnished of the loss of the outstanding duplicate of the said memorandum of mortgage, I hereby give notice that the production of such duplicate will be dispensed with, and the dealing registered at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

1122

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional perpetual lease for Lot 15, part of Reserve 2332, Oxford Survey District, Vol. cxxvii., folio 197, of the Register-book, whereof JAMES POTTS POLE, of View Hill, is the registered lessee, and proof of the destruction of the original lease having been furnished, I hereby give notice that I will issue such provisional lease at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch, this 23rd day of August, 1897.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

1125

APPLICATION having been made to me to register a discharge of mortgage No. 14284 in favour of GEORGE ALLMAN, of Palmerston North, Blacksmith, also for the issue of a provisional certificate of title for part Lot 1 of subdivision of Section 969, Palmerston North, deposited plan No. 274, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. lix., folio 137, and in the said mortgage No. 14284, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of the outstanding duplicate of the said mortgage and of the certificate of title, I hereby give notice that I intend to dispense with the production of the said mortgage and certificate of title, and give effect to the said discharge and issue the provisional certificate as requested, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 9th day of September, 1897.

Dated this 25th day of August, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

1126

APPLICATION having been made for the issue of a provisional title for Section 24, Block VII., Hundred of Invercargill, registered in Vol. xliii., folio 139, and evidence having been lodged as to the loss of the original title, I hereby give notice that I shall issue a provisional title, as requested, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within fourteen days from the date of the gazetting of this notice.

Dated at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill, the 19th day of August, 1897.

F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

In the matter of a Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Greymouth Gas Company (Limited) to break up Streets, Roads, and Bridges, and to lay down and place Pipes, Conduits, and Service-pipes, and to make and construct other Works for supplying the Borough of Greymouth and the County of Grey with Gas."

NOTICE is hereby given that application is intended to be made at the next session of the General Assembly of New Zealand for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Greymouth Gas Company (Limited), incorporated under the provisions of "The Joint-stock Companies Act, 1860," to break up streets, roads, and bridges, to lay down and place pipes, conduits, and service-pipes, and to make and construct other works for supplying the Borough of Greymouth and County of Grey with gas, and for other purposes relating thereto, and to the objects for which the said company has been established.

It is intended to apply for the following powers on behalf of the company, that is to say:—

1. The company may, under the superintendence of the persons having the control or management thereof, open and break up the soil and pavements of the several streets, roads, bridges, and wharves within the limits of the Act, and open and break up any sewers, drains, or tunnels within or under such streets, roads, bridges, or wharves, and lay down and place within the same limits pipes, conduits, service-pipes, and other works, and from time to time repair, alter, or remove the same, and also make any sewers that may be necessary for carrying off the washings and waste liquids which may arise in the making of the gas, and for the purposes aforesaid may remove and use all earth and material in and under such streets, roads, and bridges, and may in such streets and roads and upon such bridges and wharves erect any pillars, lamps, and other works, and do all other acts which the company shall from time to time deem necessary for supplying gas within the said limits, doing as little damage as may be in the execution of the powers to be granted by the said Act, and making compensation for any damage which may be done in the execution of the said powers.

2. That the company may from time to time enter into any contract with any person for lighting or supplying with gas any public or private building, or providing any person with pipes, burners, meters, and lamps, and for the repair thereof, and also from time to time enter into any contract with the Greymouth Borough Council, the Grey County Council, or the Greymouth Harbour Board, or other persons having the control or management of any streets, roads, or wharves within the limits of the Act, for lighting the same with gas, and for providing such Councils or Board or persons with lamps, lamp-posts, burners, and pipes for that purpose and for the repair thereof, in such manner and upon such terms as shall be agreed upon between the company and the said Councils or Board or other persons.

3. That the company may let or hire any meter for ascertaining the quantity of gas consumed or supplied, and any fittings for the gas, for such remuneration as shall be agreed upon between the company and any person to whom the same may be so let; and such remuneration shall be

recoverable in the same manner as the rents or sums due to the company for gas; and such meters and fittings shall not be subject to distress for rent of the premises where the same may be used, nor be taken in execution under any process or proceeding of a Court of law or equity, or in bankruptcy, against the person in whose possession the same may be.

4. That the clerk, engineer, or other officer duly appointed for the purpose by the company may at all reasonable times enter any building or place lighted with gas supplied by the company in order to inspect the meters, fittings, and works for regulating the supply of gas, and for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of gas consumed or supplied; and if any person hinders such officer as aforesaid from entering and making such inspection as aforesaid at any reasonable time he shall for such offence forfeit to the said company a sum not exceeding five pounds.

5. That, if any person supplied with gas neglect to pay the rent due for the same to the company, the company may stop the gas from entering the premises of such person by cutting off the service-pipe or by such means as the company shall think fit, and recover the rent due from such person, together with the expense of cutting off the gas, and the cost of recovering the rent, by action in any Court of law of competent jurisdiction.

6. That, in all cases in which the company are authorised to cut off and take away the supply of gas from any house, building, or premises under the provisions of this Act, the company, their agents or workmen, after giving forty-eight hours' previous notice in writing to the occupier, or, if no occupier, then after leaving such notice on any portion of the premises, may enter into such house, building, or premises between the hours of 9 in the forenoon and 4 in the afternoon, and remove and carry away any pipe, meter, fitting, or other works the property of the company.

7. When any consumer leaves the premises where gas has been supplied to him without paying to the company the gas-rent due from him, the company shall be entitled to require from the next tenant payment of the arrears accruing since the meter shall have been last taken by the company, if such next tenant shall consume any gas without having first given to the company twenty-four hours' notice of his intention to do so.

8. Every person supplied with gas by the company who wilfully suffers any pipe, meter, or other gas-fitting to be out of repair, so that the gas is wasted, shall for every such offence forfeit to the company any sum not exceeding five pounds over and above the loss which the company sustained by such waste.

9. The company may make by-laws or regulations, provided the same shall not be repugnant to this Act or to "The Municipal Corporation Act, 1886," or to any by-law or regulation that may now or hereafter be made thereunder, or to any Act relating to County Councils or Harbour Boards, or to any by-law or regulation which may now or hereafter be made thereunder respectively, and impose any penalty not exceeding five pounds for the breach of any by-law or regulation of the company.

10. The limits within which such gasworks are intended to be made extend to and include all lands lying within a radius of ten miles from the north-east corner of Section No. 197 on the plan of the Native Reserve in the Town of Greymouth.

11. Such gasworks as aforesaid are intended to be made and maintained in and through the Borough of Greymouth and the County of Grey and any land which has or which may be reclaimed from the Grey River for making or improving the town and harbour of Greymouth.

12. The works for the manufacture of gas are all those buildings and premises already erected on all that piece of land situate in and forming part of the Native Reserve in the Town of Greymouth, commonly known as the Greymouth Gasworks, being the sections numbered 197 and 198 on the map of the said Town of Greymouth, and situate in and fronting upon Chapel Street West in the said town.

13. It is not intended to apply for powers to remove the works for the manufacture of gas from the land aforesaid.

14. That the company may provide a sinking fund not exceeding £2 per centum per annum on the cost of the gasworks and fixed plant and materials, and the money set aside for such fund may be applied for extension of works, but shall not be deemed to be profits within the meaning of the Act.

15. Copies of the proposed Bill will be deposited in the office of Examiner of Standing Orders on Private Bills on or before the commencement of the next session of the General Assembly of New Zealand.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1897.

J. T. SKOGLUND,

Secretary, Greymouth Gas Company (Limited).

SKERRETT AND WYLLIE,

Solicitors, Wellington,

Parliamentary Agents for the said Bill.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and in the matter of the Lyttelton and Peninsula Steamship Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above-named company, held on the 26th day of July, 1897, at the offices of the said company, in the City of Christchurch, the following special resolutions were passed unanimously, namely:—

1. "That the Lyttelton and Peninsula Steamship Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily under and in pursuance of subsection 2 of section 189 of the Companies Act (New Zealand), 1882."

2. "That Robert Pitcaithly be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Lyttelton and Peninsula Steamship Company (Limited) and distributing the property."

And that at an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the said company held on the 16th day of August, 1897, at the offices of the said company aforesaid, the said special resolutions were unanimously confirmed.

Dated this 18th day of August, 1897.

ROBT. PITCAITHLY,

Chairman.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

THE public are informed that extracts from the *New Zealand Gazette*, containing all Bankruptcy Notices that appear in each issue, are published weekly, and will be sent post-free to any address on payment of a subscription of 10s. per annum. Single copies, 3d. each. Orders should be addressed and subscriptions made payable to

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