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Proclaiming the Taking of a Road in Apiti and Pohangina Survey Districts, Kīwitea County.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Areas of Land taken.	Being Parts of Sections Nos.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 35	190	XIII.	Apiti ..	96 13k	Purple.
1 0 06	190	"	" ..	"	"
0 2 30	266	"	" ..	"	Yellow.
0 0 28	266	"	" ..	"	Sienna.
1 0 28-9	267	I.	Pohangina	"	Pink.
0 1 17	267	"	"	"	Sienna.

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable 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-sixth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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, situate in the Wellington Land District, and being Section No. 40b, Block VI., Mangaone 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 under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Eketahuna Domain Board, namely,—

FRANCIS CALISAN TURNOR,
FRANK DEARING PELLING,
EDWARD RICHARD KIBBLEWHITE,
WILLIAM IGGULDEN, and
JOHN HENRY MURRAY-AYNSLEY

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the last Saturday in each month, at three o'clock p.m., at Pelling's Hall, Eketahuna, 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 Saturday, the twenty-seventh day of November, 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.

ERRATUM.—In the Proclamation under Government Loans to Local Bodies Acts, published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 90, page 1901, of 21st October, 1897, for "Huiatua Block," read "Huiarua Block."

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 last Saturday in January in every succeeding year thereafter, elect one of themselves to be Chairman, who may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote. The Chairman shall hold office until the election of his successor.

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS.

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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, situate in the Auckland Land District, and being Section No. 102 of the Suburbs of Pahi, 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 under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Pahi Domain Board, namely,—

HENRY CHADWICK,
FREDERICK CHADWICK,
JOHN CHANNON,
RUSSEL SMITH, and
ROBERT BOYD

(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 fourth Saturday in each month, at seven o'clock p.m., at the Pahi Public Hall, 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 Saturday, the twenty-seventh day of November, 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 fourth Saturday in January in every succeeding year thereafter, elect one of themselves to be Chairman, who may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote. The Chairman shall hold office until the election of his successor.

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS.

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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, situate in the Parish of Paremoremo, and being Section No. 94A of the said parish, 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 WAITEMATA COUNTY COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Paremoremo 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 County Council Office, 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 Friday, the third day of December, 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 County Chairman 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.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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 Auckland Land District, and known as the Pahi Recreation-ground, and described in the Schedule hereto, shall be and the same is hereby brought under the operation of and declared to be subject to the provisions of "The Public Domains Act, 1881"; and such domain shall hereafter be managed, administered, and dealt with in manner directed by the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 2 roods 8 perches, more or less, being Section No. 102 of the Suburbs of Pahi, Otamatea County. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 101, 892 links; towards the north-east by a public road, 255 links and 439 links; towards the south east by Section No. 103, 1192 links; and towards the south-west by the Arapaoa River.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Addition to the Methven Domain brought under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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 set apart for public recreation in the Canterbury 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, by the Methven Domain Board, constituted by an Order in Council issued on the twenty-third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 6 acres, more or less, being part of Reserve 2026, and now known as Reserve No. 3184, Block VII., Spaxton Survey District. Bounded towards the north by a road-line, 621.5 links; towards the east by Reserve 2613, 1123.4 links; towards the south by a road-line, 690.1 links; and towards the west by the Police Paddock Reserve 2026, 823.2 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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 Wellington 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 Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres 3 roods 19 perches, more or less, being Section No. 40d, Block VI., Mangaone Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 39; towards the east by Section No. 40c (cottage-hospital reserve); towards the south by a public road; and towards the west by Section No. 40 (cemetery reserve).

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 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 Land District of Auckland, 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 Auckland Land District, being Section No. 94A of the Parish of Paremoremo, and containing by admeasurement 5 acres and 17 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 76 of the Parish of Paremoremo, 1455 links; towards the east by a public road, 233 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 94 of the same parish, 1461 links; and towards the west by a stream to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the KIWITEA County Council.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was permanently set apart as a gravel reserve on the fourth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to vest the said land in the KIWITEA County Council:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 119, Block XIV., Apiti Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east and south by Section No. 8, and towards the west and north-west by a public road.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Government Life Insurance Regulation revoking Order in Council of 25th September, 1888, providing for Modified Tables for Assurances on Lives of Union Steamship Company's Officers.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twentieth day of October, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council bearing date the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and made in exercise of the powers conferred by "The Government Life Insurance Act, 1886," and "The Government Insurance and Annuities Act,

1874" (hereinafter termed "the said Acts"), it was ordered, approved, and directed that in contracts to be made under the said Acts in the case of assurances effected on the lives of the sea-going officers and engineers in the employ of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand (Limited), the rates of premium should be those set forth in the modified table contained in the Schedule to the said Order in Council: And whereas it is expedient that the said Order in Council and the table contained in the Schedule thereto should be revoked:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by the said Acts, and of all other powers and authorities in this behalf enabling him, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke the said Order in Council of the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and the table contained in the Schedule thereto, and doth hereby order that this present Order in Council shall come into force and take effect upon the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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 bearing date the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by the fifty-second section of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and in accordance with the recommendation of the Native Land Court, 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 27 perches, being part of Section 542, City of Wellington, held under Crown grant dated 18th March, 1868, in favour of Ihais Porutu and

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

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

R. J. SEDDON.

Removal of Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the Native owner of the land described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such land contained in the Crown grant bearing date the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, and now contained in partition order of the Native Land Court dated twelfth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred 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 and partition order on the alienation of the said land are hereby removed.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 30 acres 2 roods, situate in the Provincial District of Taranaki, being Section No. 31A, Waitara West, in the Waitara Survey District, held under partition order of the Native Land Court dated 12th November, 1896, in favour of Paranihi Tukoko, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the assent of the Governor being previously obtained to every such sale, lease, or mortgage."

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

R. J. SEDDON.

Rural Lands in the Canterbury 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 twenty-second day of December, 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.

CANTERBURY 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.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
				A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	
Geraldine	Geraldine	{ 36475 36512	VIII. & XII.	935 0 0	0 12 6	584 7 6	0 7 5	14 12 3	0 6	11 13 9		
Weighted with the sum of £313 7s. as valuation for improvements.												
Ashburton	Shepherd's Bush	{ 36351 36352 36353 36365	XIII. & XIV.	1,650 0 0	1 10 0	2,475 0 0	1 6	61 17 6	1 2 4	49 10 0		
Weighted with the sum of £1,201 18s. as valuation for improvements.												

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

I N 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 twenty-second day of December, 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.

Table with 11 columns: County, District, Section, Block, Area, Cash Price (Per Acre, Total Price), Occupation with Right of Purchase (Rent 5 per Cent), Lease in Perpetuity (Rent 4 per Cent).

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Table for First-Class Land with columns for County, District, Section, Block, Area (A.R.P.), Cash Price (£ s. d.), Occupation with Right of Purchase (Rent 5 per Cent), and Lease in Perpetuity (Rent 4 per Cent).

Open tea-tree land. Situated between Kaimanawa Stream, the Rifle-range, and Waiariki Road, near the Township of Taupo.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Table for Second-Class Land with columns for County, District, Section, Block, Area (A.R.P.), Cash Price (£ s. d.), Occupation with Right of Purchase (Rent 5 per Cent), and Lease in Perpetuity (Rent 4 per Cent).

Section 1, undulating to broken country; old kauri workings; soil fair to good. Sections 34, 45, 46, about sixteen miles from Kamo, and comprising undulating to broken lands; well watered.

Table for second section of Second-Class Land with columns for County, District, Section, Block, Area (A.R.P.), Cash Price (£ s. d.), Occupation with Right of Purchase (Rent 5 per Cent), and Lease in Perpetuity (Rent 4 per Cent).

All forest lands, of fair quality, within the Auckland No. 1 Special Settlement Block, and on the main roads Opanake, Hokianga, and Waimamaku. All good grazing-country.

Table for third section of Second-Class Land with columns for County, District, Section, Block, Area (A.R.P.), Cash Price (£ s. d.), Occupation with Right of Purchase (Rent 5 per Cent), and Lease in Perpetuity (Rent 4 per Cent).

Section 7, broken forest land; well watered; Section 8, broken land, half mixed bush and half open; both lots front coach-road; about eight miles from Kawakawa. Sections 25, 80, 26, and 81, undulating fern and tea-tree land; about ten miles from Kawakawa, by formed road.

* Parish.

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

JOHN McKENZIE, Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands 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 lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-second day of December, 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.

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.
Raglan	Onewhero	1	IX.	354 0 0	£ 11 0	194 14 0	0 6 6	4 17 4	0 5 28	3 17 10
"	"	2	"	372 0 0	£ 11 0	204 12 0	0 6 6	5 2 4	0 5 28	4 1 10
"	"	3	"	324 0 0	£ 11 0	178 4 0	0 6 6	4 9 2	0 5 28	3 11 4
"	"	4	"	324 0 0	£ 11 0	178 4 0	0 6 6	4 9 2	0 5 28	3 11 4
"	"	5	"	398 0 0	£ 11 0	218 18 0	0 6 6	5 9 6	0 5 28	4 7 7
"	"	6	"	378 0 0	£ 11 0	207 18 0	0 6 6	5 4 0	0 5 28	4 3 2
"	"	7	"	449 0 0	£ 11 0	246 19 0	0 6 6	6 3 6	0 5 28	4 18 9
"	"	8	"	110 0 0	£ 11 0	60 10 0	0 6 6	1 10 3	0 5 28	1 4 3
"	"	9	"	262 0 0	£ 11 0	144 2 0	0 6 6	3 12 1	0 5 28	2 17 8
"	"	10	"	342 0 0	£ 11 0	188 2 0	0 6 6	4 14 1	0 5 28	3 15 3
"	"	1	X.	409 0 0	£ 11 0	224 19 0	0 6 6	5 12 6	0 5 28	4 10 0
"	"	2	"	442 0 0	£ 11 0	243 2 0	0 6 6	6 1 7	0 5 28	4 17 3
"	"	3	"	290 0 0	£ 11 0	159 10 0	0 6 6	3 19 9	0 5 28	3 3 10
"	"	4	"	394 0 0	£ 11 0	216 14 0	0 6 6	5 8 5	0 5 28	4 6 9
"	"	5	"	479 0 0	£ 11 0	263 9 0	0 6 6	6 11 9	0 5 28	5 5 5
"	"	6	"	393 0 0	£ 11 0	216 3 0	0 6 6	5 8 1	0 5 28	4 6 6

These sections are portion of the Opuatia Block, and comprise broken forest lands, volcanic and clay soil, well watered. Situated from eight to ten miles from Onewhero Post-office, and about five miles from Port Waikato. The road to the sections has not yet been formed, access at present being by rough tracks.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands in the Hawke's Bay 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 twenty-second day of December, 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.

HAWKE'S BAY 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.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Waipawa	Norsewood	1	II.	164 0 0	£ 1 0 0	164 0 0	1 0	4 2 0	0 9 6	3 5 7

Pastoral forest country, the timber consisting principally of birch, rimu, miro, rata, &c., with a thick undergrowth of rangiors, mokimoki, pepper-tree, with supplejack on the flats. About one-half of the section is level, the balance undulating and broken; well watered; light soil, varying from fair quality on the flats to poor and stony on the ridges. Distant five miles from Norsewood Village.

Waipawa	Norsewood	2	II.	142 2 0	£ 1 0 0	143 0 0	1 0	3 11 6	0 9 6	2 17 3
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Pastoral forest country, the timber being similar to that on Section 1. Mostly flat land; light soil of fair quality; well watered. Distant five miles and a half from Norsewood.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Waipawa	Norsewood	3	II.	272 2 0	£ 10 0	136 10 0	0 6	3 8 3	0 4 8	2 14 7
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Broken forest country, timber being similar to other sections. About a third of the section is fairly flat land; well watered; light soil of fair quality on the flats, though poor and stony on the higher spurs and ridges. About five miles and a half from Norsewood.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Land in Taranaki for Sale by Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirteenth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, 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.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Village of Eltham.

SECTION No. 40: Area, 1 acre; upset price, £15.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Area.	Total Upset Price.
OTAMATEA COUNTY.—TOKATOKA SURVEY DISTRICT.		
Block X.		
4	8 1 28	25 10 0
5	2 0 10	6 4 0
6	7 2 7	22 14 0
7	8 0 7	24 0 0
8	6 1 2	18 15 0
9	6 3 13	21 0 0
10	7 0 37	21 15 0
11	10 0 0	30 0 0
12	10 0 0	30 0 0
13	10 0 0	30 0 0
14	10 0 0	30 0 0
Block XI.		
30	7 3 12	24 0 0
31	7 2 10	24 0 0
32	7 1 32	22 10 0

Suburban lots at Bascombe's Creek and Wairoa River junction, and are reclaimed swamp of good quality. About two miles from Tokatoka.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Fixing Sittings of District Courts.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in this behalf enabling me, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby fix and appoint that sittings of the District Courts of Ashburton, Timaru and Oamaru, Otago Goldfields, Western Otago, and Westland, for civil and criminal business, shall be held as follows, from and after the first day of January next, in lieu of those previously fixed and appointed:—

Ashburton District.

In the Courthouse, Ashburton, for civil business only, on 7th January, 11th March, 13th May, 8th July, 9th September, and 11th November.

Timaru and Oamaru District.

In the Courthouse, Timaru, for civil business only, on 12th January, 16th March, 18th May, 13th July, and 14th September. For civil and criminal business, on 16th November.

In the Courthouse, Oamaru, for civil business only, on 18th March, 20th May, 16th September, and 18th November. For civil and criminal business, on 14th January and 15th July.

Otago Goldfields District.

In the Courthouse, Lawrence, for civil and criminal business, on 1st June and 29th November.

In the Courthouse, Queenstown, for civil and criminal business, on 26th January and 28th July.

In the Courthouse, Naseby, for civil and criminal business, on 30th March and 22nd September.

Western Otago District.

In the Courthouse, Invercargill, for civil business only, on 19th January, 23rd March, 25th May, 22nd July, and 28th September. For civil and criminal business, on 22nd November.

Westland District.

In the Courthouse, Westport, for civil business only, on 19th April, 16th August, and 20th December. For civil and criminal business, on 22nd February, 14th June, and 25th October.

In the Courthouse, Greymouth, for civil business only, on 13th April, 24th August, and 14th December. For civil and criminal business, on 16th February, 22nd June, and 19th October.

In the Courthouse, Hokitika, for civil business only, on 18th February, 15th April, 26th August, and 21st October. For civil and criminal business, on 24th June and 16th December.

In the Courthouse, Reefton, for civil business only, on 14th February, 11th April, 20th June, 22nd August, 17th October, and 12th December.

Provided that in case any of the days so fixed as aforesaid shall happen to be a holiday, then the Court appointed for that day shall be holden on the first day thereafter not being a holiday.

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

T. THOMPSON.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

EDWARD ALEXANDER DAWSON

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Huntly, vice John Ritchie Boswell, on and from the 19th October, 1897.

J. CARROLL.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington 19th October, 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.
BEAUCHAMP URQUHART BARLOW ..	.. Picton.
WILLIAM PERKIN WILLIAMS ..	.. Huntly.

J. CARROLL.

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

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

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HENRY SCOTT,
THOMAS ESTERN EMPIRE JEFCOATE,
SAMUEL MCINTOSH, and
ANDREW JOHNSON MCKENZIE,

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

J. CARROLL.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 26th October, 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,"

HENRY SCOTT, of Middlemarch;
THOMAS ESTERN EMPIRE JEFCOATE, of Puerua;
SAMUEL MCINTOSH, of Wakaka; and
ANDREW JOHNSON MCKENZIE, of Dunedin,

have been appointed Officers for the purposes of that Act for all that area in the Provincial District of Otago bounded on the east and south by the ocean from Shag Point to the mouth of the Mataura River; on the north-west by Lake County; on the west and south-west by the Mataura River; and on the north, north-west, and north-east by the Counties of Westland and Waitaki.

J. CARROLL.

Public Vaccinator, Waimate Plains and Opanake Districts,
appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

GEORGE LAPRAIK, Esq., M.B.C.M. Univ. Glasgow,
to be a Public Vaccinator, under "The Public Health Act, 1876," for the districts of Waimate Plains and Opanake.

J. CARROLL.

Commissioner of Police appointed.

Police Department,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN BENNETT TUNBRIDGE, Esq.,
to be Commissioner of the New Zealand Police Force, as from the 18th instant, vice Lieut.-Colonel Arthur Hume, who resigns.

T. THOMPSON.

Clerk of Court appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 27th October, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

District Constable WILLIAM JAMES WHATMAN
to be Clerk of the Magistrate's Court at McKenzie, Cheviot.

T. THOMPSON.

Sittings of Magistrate's Court appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 27th October, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

The LAND OFFICE at McKenzie, Cheviot,
to be a place wherein sittings of the Magistrate's Court shall be held.

T. THOMPSON.

Member of Canterbury Land Board reappointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to re-appoint

RICHARD MEREDITH
to be a member of the Land Board of the Land District of Canterbury, as from the 24th October, 1897.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Enumerators appointed under "The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—Notice No. 498.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 25th October, 1897.

THE following Enumerators have been appointed, under "The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895," for the districts specified:—

CLIFTON, EDMUND, Inspector of Stock, Auckland,
the Auckland Provincial District, except the Counties of Waipapu, Cook, and Wairoa;

DRUMMOND, JOHN, Inspector of Stock, Napier,
the Counties of Waipapu, Cook, Wairoa, Hawke's Bay, Waipawa, and Patangata;

BLUNDELL, ARTHUR KENNEDY, Inspector of Stock, Wanganui,
the Counties of Clifton, Taranaki, Stratford, Hawera, Patea, Waitotara, Wanganui, Manawatu, Rangitikei, Kiviiea, Pohangina, Horowhenua, and Oroua;

MILLER, WALTER, Inspector of Stock, Masterton,
the Counties of North Wairarapa, South Wairarapa, and Pahiatua;

RUTHERFURD, WILFRED RICHARD, Inspector of Stock,
Wellington,
the Hutt County, including the Islands of Mana and Kapiti;

MOORE, JOHN, Inspector of Stock, Blenheim,
the Counties of Kaikoura, Marlborough, and Sounds, also D'Urville Island;

CAMPBELL, HECTOR MCNEIL, Inspector of Stock, Nelson,
the Counties of Waimea and Collingwood;

HUDDLESTON, VICTOR ALFRED, Inspector of Stock, Hokitika,
the Counties of Buller, Inangahua, Grey, and Westland;

HOLDERNESS, ROBERT FITZROY, Inspector of Stock,
Christchurch,
the Counties of Cheviot, Amuri, Ashley, Selwyn, Akaroa, Ashburton, Geraldine, Mackenzie, and Waimate;

THOMSON, JAMES ELLIOT, Inspector of Stock, Dunedin,
the Counties of Waitaki, Maniototo, Waihemo, Waikouaiti, Peninsula, Taieri, Tuapeka, Bruce, Clutha, Vincent, and Lake;

TURNER, HENRY THOMAS GEORGE, Inspector of Stock,
Invercargill,
the Counties of Southland, Wallace, and Fiord; also Stewart Island.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of Masterton.

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

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Masterton, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Borough of Masterton Water-supply and Drainage-works Loan Empowering Act, 1896," and "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

J. CARROLL.

BOROUGH OF MASTERTON.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.
SIR,—I have the honour to give you notice of the result of the poll for raising a loan of £15,000 over a special rating-area within the Borough of Masterton, under "The Borough of Masterton Water-supply and Drainage-works Loan Empowering Act, 1896," as follows:—

Number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal, 249; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 153; number of informal votes, 11.

As the number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal was not less than three-fifths of the total number of votes given at the poll for and against the proposal, I have declared the said proposal to be carried.

I have, &c.,

C. A. POWNALL,

Town Clerk's Office,
Chapel Street, Masterton, 4th October, 1897.

I, Charles Aylmer Pownall, of Masterton, Solicitor, and Mayor of Masterton, do solemnly and sincerely declare that all the proceedings required by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," to be taken in or towards obtaining the sanction of the burgesses to the proposal to raise a loan of £15,000 under "The Borough of Masterton Water-supply and Drainage-works Loan Empowering Act, 1896," have been duly taken, and that the resolution in favour of the proposal has been duly carried; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

C. A. POWNALL.

Declared at Masterton, this 16th day of October, 1897,
before me—L. J. Hooper, J.P.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Taratahi-Carterton Road District, County of Wairarapa South.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 20th October, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL.

TARATAHI-CARTERTON ROAD BOARD.

Result of Poll for Loan.

I HEREBY give public notice that the poll for No. 8 Subdivision of the Taratahi-Carterton Road District, taken on the 27th day of September, 1897, on the proposal to raise a loan of £3,000 under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and their respective amendments, for the purpose of reconstructing the bridges over the Ruamahanga River at Hurunuiorangi and Kokatau, resulted as follows:—

Total number of voters on the roll, 80; total number of votes exercisable by them, 163: Number of voters who voted for the proposal, 44; number of votes recorded for the proposal, 95; number of voters who voted against the proposal, 7; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 10.

I accordingly declare the above-mentioned proposal duly carried.

Carterton, 5th October, 1897. HENRY R. BUNNY,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Pahiatua County.

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

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

J. CARROLL.

PAHIATUA COUNTY.

Proposed Loan No. 52, Bridge and Ridge Roads, £750.

THE following is the result of a poll taken on the 20th October, 1897, on a proposal to raise a loan of £750 under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," to form and repair formation and metal the Bridge Road from the Makakahi Railway-station to 5 chains south-east of the north-western boundary of Section 36, Block X., Mangahao, and that portion of Ridge Road from its intersection with Bridge Road, southward, 28 chains south of the boundary-line of Section 38, Block X., Mangahao:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 8, representing 8 votes: Number of votes in favour of proposal, 5; against, 1; votes not recorded, 2.

I therefore declare the proposal carried.
J. GRIFFITH,
County Chairman.

21st October, 1897.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Lower Wairau River District, County of Marlborough.

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

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

J. CARROLL.

LOWER WAIRAU RIVER DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following is the result of a poll, taken on 16th October, 1897, on a proposal to raise a loan of £5,000 for the purpose of constructing flood relief and protective works on the banks of the Opawa and Omaka Rivers:—

Number of voters on roll, 531 ratepayers, exercising 779 votes: Number of ratepayers voted, 326; for the proposal, 305 ratepayers, casting 500 votes; against the proposal, 19 ratepayers, casting 25 votes; informal, 2 ratepayers, casting 2 votes: total votes recorded, 527.

As the number of ratepayers and votes recorded in favour of the proposal amounts to more than one-half of the number which can be exercised by the whole number of ratepayers, I hereby declare the proposal carried.

Blenheim, 18th October, 1897. WILLIAM CARR,
Chairman.

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Special Order made by the Seatoun Road Board, County of Hutt.

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

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

J. CARROLL.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE SEATOUN ROAD BOARD.

THAT this Board, to secure the payment of interest and other charges on a loan of £3,000 to be raised under "The Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," for the purpose of constructing roads in the Seatoun Road District, do hereby make and levy a special rate of 1½d. in the pound on the rateable value of all rateable lands within the boundaries of the Seatoun Road District, such rate to be an annually-recurring rate for twenty-six years, and be payable in two equal instalments, on the 1st day of the months of January and July in each year, at the office of the Board.

I hereby certify that the above special order has been made by the Seatoun Road Board in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882," and was proposed at a meeting of the Board held on the 18th day of September, and passed at a meeting of the Board on the 19th day of October, 1897.

HERBERT P. RAWSON,
Chairman of the Seatoun Road Board.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1897.

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

Name.	Occupation	Residence.
Henry Anderson ..	Labourer ..	Maruia Junction, Westport.
Alfred Archenhold ..	Commercial Traveller	Dunedin.
William Francis ..	Miner ..	Blackball.

J. CARROLL.

Notice respecting Raffles, &c., under Gaming and Lotteries Act.

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

THE following extract from section 18 of "The Gaming and Lotteries Act, 1881," is published for general information:—

"18. . . . If any person, being the owner of any painting, drawing, sculpture, or other work of art, or literature, or mineral specimens, or mechanical models, shall apply to the Colonial Secretary for permission to dispose of the same by raffle or chance, it shall be lawful for the Colonial Secretary, if he think fit, to grant a license for that purpose, subject to such conditions and restrictions as he may think it right to impose:

"And if such conditions and restrictions are complied with, the provisions of this Act, or any other law for the time being in force relating to gaming and lotteries, shall not apply to such owner or to any other persons who may be *bona fide* concerned in such transaction. . . ."

The words "or other work of art" in the above extract are held to mean articles of the nature of paintings, drawings, or sculptures. No articles except those mentioned in any license granted by the Colonial Secretary shall be disposed of by raffle or chance, either as gifts to prize-winners or on any other pretext. A copy of each license granted by the Colonial Secretary will be sent to the police, in order that proceedings may be taken in the event of any infringement of the Act.

J. CARROLL.

Designation of Volunteer Corps changed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the designation of the C Battery, New Zealand Regiment of Artillery Volunteers, being changed to the "Timaru City Rifle Volunteers," with its present seniority in the New Zealand Volunteer Force, and with effect from the 5th October, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Notice to Mariners, No. 19 of 1897.

LEADING-BEACONS, NEW RIVER ENTRANCE, FOVEAUX STRAIT,
SOUTH ISLAND, NEW ZEALAND.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 26th October, 1897.

THE Borough Council of Invercargill have notified that two triangular-shaped beacons are being erected at New River Harbour for the purpose of guiding vessels crossing the bar. The beacons will be in position on the 30th October, 1897. They are situated on the sandhills on the south side of the channel, and are about two miles inside of Point Island. When in line, these beacons bear from each other E. by N. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. and W. by S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. respectively. The front or western beacon is erected on an elevation 80 ft. above sea-level, and is 10 ft. high, and painted white, with a black top. The back or eastern beacon is erected on an elevation 120 ft. above sea-level, and is situated 150 yards away from the western beacon. It is 10 ft. high, and painted white.

Sailing Directions: Vessels before entering the harbour should bring the leading-beacons in line (E. by N. $\frac{1}{2}$ N.), and continue on that course until they pick up the first red buoy half a mile above the Pilot-station.

NOTE.—All bearings are correct magnetic.
Chart, &c., affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2553; New Zealand Pilot, Chapter viii., pages 332 and 333.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Civil Service Senior Examination.

Education Department,
Wellington, 21st October, 1897.

IN pursuance of regulations under "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," notice is hereby given that for the Senior Examination of January, 1899, the period of literature will be the reign of Queen Anne, and the special books will be Shakespeare's "King Henry V." and Lamb's "Essays of Elia."

W. C. WALKER,
Minister of Education.

Election of Trustees of Wainono Land-drainage District, County of Waimate.

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

THE following result of the election of Trustees of the Wainono Land-drainage District has been received from the Returning Officer, and is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893."

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Wainono Land-drainage District:
Edward H. Cameron.
Alexander Copland.
Walter Hayman.
Michael McGoverin.
Thomas Smith.

Officiating Ministers for 1897.—Notice No. 23.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1897.

NOTICE has been received from the ecclesiastical head of the Wesleyan Methodist Church that

The Reverend JACOB FEATHERSTON

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

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Officiating Ministers for 1897.—Notice No. 24.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 23rd October, 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:—

Congregational Independents.
The Reverend George Heighway.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Notice of Vesting of Land in the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

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

Dated at Wellington, this 23rd day of October, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement 12 perches, more or less, situated in the extension of the Township of St. Andrew's, being Allotment 22, Block I., on a plan of subdivision of part of Section 20, Block VI., Town District, having a frontage to Peter Street of 75 links by a depth of 102 links.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 40 acres, more or less, being the south-eastern portion of Allotment 113, Parish of Pupuke, in the County of Hokianga and Provincial District of Auckland. The grantee and last registered owner is Richard Wilson, described as of Waikato, military settler, of whom or of whose family nothing tangible is ascertainable.

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 22nd day of October, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 1 rood 7 perches, being Allotment 32, Township of New-castle (Ngaruawahia), in the Provincial District of Auckland. Bounded on the north by Queen Street, 108 links; on the east by Allotment 33, 283 links; on the south by Allotment 45, 108 links; and on the west by Allotments 30 and 31, 271 links. The registered owner is Henry Meade Hamilton, described as a colonel in Her Majesty's service.

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 26th day of October, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Commissioner of the Supreme Court appointed.

NOTICE.—GEOFFRY HURRY, Esq., of Kyneton, Victoria, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria, has this day been appointed by his Honour the Chief Justice a Commissioner of the Supreme Court of New Zealand in

the Colony of Victoria, under the 2nd section of "The Commissioners of the Supreme Court Act, 1875," for the purpose of administering and taking all such oaths, affidavits, and affirmations as in the said section mentioned.

Dated at Wellington, this 9th day of October, 1897.

W. A. D. BANKS,
Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court.

Tenders for Mail-service, Blenheim to Hanmer Plain.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1897.

SEALED tenders will be received at the Chief Post-offices, Christchurch and Blenheim, until noon of Saturday, the 6th proximo, for the performance of the following mail-service by coach for a period of twelve months from the 1st December next:—

Between Blenheim, Molesworth, and Hanmer Plain, weekly, by four-horse coach, from 1st December, 1897, to the end of April, 1898; and between Blenheim and Molesworth, weekly, by two-horse coach, from the 1st May to the 30th November, 1898.

Tenders should also state whether, if required, they would carry out a through service twice weekly during the summer season, December to April, from Blenheim to Hanmer Plain, and at what cost.

The attention of intending tenderers is directed to the terms and conditions of contract printed on the back of the tender forms, which may be procured at the principal post-offices of the colony.

No tender will be considered unless made on the printed form.

The contractor whose tender may be accepted must be prepared to carry out the service according to time-tables framed by the department.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Tenders should be indorsed, "Tender for Mail-service, Blenheim to Hanmer Plain."

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

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.

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

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

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

All that piece or parcel of land, known as the Te Aute Run, situated in the Waipawa, Hawke's Bay, and Patangata Counties, bounded as follows: Commencing at the Te Aute Railway-station, thence in a northerly direction along the boundary of the Te Hauke Proclaimed District to the point where the prolongation of the boundary between Lots 1 and 2 of the Ngawhakatatara Block continued across the Poukawa Lake would strike it; thence easterly along the said line and boundary to the Tukituki River; thence up that river to the south boundary of Patangata No. 2; thence westerly along the southern boundary of that block to the Papanui Stream; thence up that stream and the eastern boundary of Patangata No. 3 to the southern boundary of that block; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Patangata No. 3 and the Otane Block to the south-east corner of the land granted to the Bishop of Wellington; thence westerly along the southern boundary of the aforesaid land to the southern boundary of Sebastopol No. 3 Paddock; thence westerly along that boundary to the south-west corner of that paddock; thence northerly along the western boundaries of the aforesaid paddock and of the land granted to the Bishop of Wellington to the north-west corner of the said land; thence easterly along the northern boundary of the aforesaid land to the main Kaikora North and Te Aute Road; thence northerly along that road to a road running through the Pouputahi Block; thence easterly along that road to where it crosses the railway-line; thence northerly along the railway-line to the point of commencement.

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

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

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

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

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

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

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

All that piece or parcel of land in the Land District of Hawke's Bay, being called or known by the name of "Takapau Paddock," containing about 190 acres, being portion of Subdivision No. 3, Otawhao Block, in Block III., Takapau Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on the north by Blocks 234 and 120; on the south generally by the Porongahau Stream and a public road and on the west by the railway-line.

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

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

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

Crown Lands Notices.

Forfeiture of Lease, Nelson District.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 26th October, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lease was forfeited by resolution of the Nelson Land Board on the 7th day of October, 1897:—

Lease of Section 50, Block XV., Mokihinui Village-homestead Special Settlement, held by Alexander Graham Coutts.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Land in Town of Rotorua for Lease by Auction.

Crown Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 7th October, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands in the Township of Rotorua will be submitted for leasing by public auction, for a term of fourteen years, at the upset annual rentals and subject to the conditions noted below, at this office, on Friday, the 17th day of December, 1897, at 11 a.m.

TOWN OF ROTORUA.

Block XLV.: 3 acres 1 rood 8 perches; upset annual rent, £10.

Block XLVII.: 5 acres; upset annual rent, £5.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. Term of lease, fourteen years.
2. Rents are payable half-yearly in advance to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Auckland; and the first half-yearly payment is to be made on the fall of the hammer.
3. No lease to be assigned, underlet, or the possession thereof parted with except with the consent in writing of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland.
4. All rates, taxes, charges, and assessments whatsoever to be paid by the lessee.
5. All buildings erected to be kept in good repair and condition, and in the erection of any building upon the sections within the town the lessee must abide by and conform to the alignment of streets and roads, and to all by-laws and regulations made by the local authority intrusted with the administration of the local affairs of the Township of Rotorua.
6. Privies, ashpits, and other works of a similar character to be constructed and maintained as directed by the local authority. All drains and channels, and the sanitary state and condition of the premises, to be subject to the by-laws and regulations of the local authority.
7. No wells to be sunk or any excavations to be made without the consent in writing of the local authority.
8. The trade or business of a soap-boiler, tallow-chandler, tanner, slaughterman, meat-curer or preserver, or any noisy, noxious, or offensive trade or manufacture of any kind whatever will not be permitted.
9. No valuation for improvements will be paid by the Crown; but lessees will have the right to remove fences and buildings on expiration of the term of lease.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments in Wellington open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 26th October, 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 22nd December, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
KIWITEA COUNTY.				
<i>Rewa Village Settlement.</i>				
8	..	A. R. P. 9 0 0	s. d. 3 2-4	£ s. d. 0 14 5
WAIARAPA NORTH COUNTY.				
<i>Pongaroa Village Settlement.</i>				
1	..	100 0 0	1 0	2 10 0
7*	..	25 0 0	1 7-2	1 0 0
17	..	50 0 0	1 3-6	1 12 6
18	..	46 0 0	1 4-8	1 12 3
27†	..	20 0 0	1 9-6	0 18 0
31	..	19 3 0	1 9-6	0 17 10
<i>Rakaunui Village Settlement.</i>				
7	..	10 0 0	1 4-8	0 7 0

* This section is weighted with £40 10s. for improvements.

† This section is weighted with £40 for improvements.

Section 8, Rewa Village Settlement, is situated in the Rewa Village Settlement, in the Rangitikei Valley, on the main road from Feilding to Sandon Block, and consists of flat land, rather swampy in places. The soil is good, being river-deposit overlying gravel. It is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, matai, kahikatea, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is about twenty miles from Feilding, and about three miles from Waituna Post- and Telegraph-office, by a good dray-road. There is a school close to the section.

Section 1, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Manuhara Road, in the Pongaroa Village Settlement, and consists of somewhat broken country, with a permanent

stream. The soil is fairly good, on a sandstone-and-papa formation, and covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, rata, matai, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about four miles from Pongaroa Township, two miles being by dray-road and two miles by cleared road.

Section 7, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, in the Pongaroa Village Settlement, and consists of undulating country, with about 3 acres of flat land. The soil is clayey, on a papa formation. Eighteen acres of the section are in grass, the remaining 7 acres being covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, hinau, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about two miles from Pongaroa Township. The improvement consists of 18 acres in grass, valued at £40 10s.

Section 17, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Paraengahuata Road, in the Pongaroa Village Settlement, and consists chiefly of low flat spurs sloping gradually towards the south and west. Water can be obtained by sinking. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and covered with forest containing rimu, tawa, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is about two miles and a half from Pongaroa Township, half the distance being by the Alfredton-Weber dray-road, and the other half by the Paraengahuata Road, which has been cleared and formed for horse traffic.

Section 18, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Paraengahuata Road, in the Pongaroa Village Settlement, and consists of low flat spurs, with a homestead-site. Water can be obtained by sinking. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and covered with forest containing tawa, rimu, kahikatea, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about two miles from Pongaroa Township, one mile and a quarter being by the Alfredton-Weber Road, which is formed for dray traffic, and the remaining distance by the Paraengahuata Road, formed for horse traffic.

Section 27, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, in the Pongaroa Village Settlement, and consists of low flat spurs, all ploughable. Water is obtainable by sinking a few feet. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is grassed. The section is about half a mile from Pongaroa Township, by dray-road. The improvement consists of 20 acres in grass, valued at £40.

Section 31, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, in the Pongaroa Village Settlement, and consists of low flat spurs on the frontage, rising towards the back line, the greater portion of the section being ploughable when clear. Water can be obtained by sinking a few feet. The soil is good, on a papa formation, and is covered with forest consisting of tawa, &c., with an undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, &c. The section is about a mile from Pongaroa Township by dray-road.

Section 7, Rakaunui Village Settlement, is situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, in the Rakaunui Village Settlement. It consists of land sloping from a long ridge running through the section. The soil is fair, on a papa formation, and covered with forest of a mixed character, containing rimu, rata, kahikatea, &c., with an undergrowth of lawyer, supplejack, &c. The section is distant about half a mile from the school and post-office, and a mile from Rakaunui Village, by dray-road.

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

Crown Land in Southland open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 26th October, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for application upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 13th December, 1897, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments:—

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
WALLACE COUNTY.—WAIU SURVEY DISTRICT.				
<i>Merrivale Estate.</i>				
24	VII.	A. R. P. 344 0 0	s. d. 0 9 6	£ s. d. 6 17 8

Land all bush, excepting about 3 acres; undulating, mixed bush, with considerable area of manuka; papa formation; soil fair, excepting manuka land. Fifteen miles from Otautau, two miles from dairy-factory reserve and school-site. Permanent water, touches Waiu River. Altitude, 200 ft. to 350 ft.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Town of Invercargill for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 28th September, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned section of land in the Township of Invercargill will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Thursday, the 18th November, 1897, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

TOWN OF INVERCARGILL.

Section 22, Block XXXIV., containing 1 rood: Upset price, £100.

Weighted with £400 as valuation for improvements, consisting of dwelling-house of six rooms, outhouses, fencing, and garden.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land, Southland, open for Selection on Perpetual Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 28th September, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown land, having been surrendered in terms of section 156 of "The Land Act, 1885," will be open for selection on perpetual lease on and after Thursday, the 18th November, 1897. If more than one application be received for the section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—WENDONSIDE SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Perpetual Lease.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
13	II.	A. R. P. 263 0 13	s. d. 0 7 ½	£ s. d. 4 2 3

Valuation for improvements, £46 16s.

This section is situated about ten miles from Riversdale Railway-station by road. The land is open, and the soil fair. About 200 acres are ploughed, but not in crop; and there are 134 chains of fencing.

The improvements must be paid for in cash on the day on which the application is approved; but if the land be balloted for, then payment must be made immediately on the conclusion of the ballot.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Motukaraka Island, Auckland, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 28th September, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown land will be offered for lease for the term of seven years by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 26th November, 1897, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

MOTUKARAKA or Flat Island, off Maraetai Point, near Howick: Section 1, Block IV., Otahuhu Survey District, containing 7 acres 2 roods 35 perches. Upset rental, £6 per annum.

Weighted with the sum of £25 as valuation for improvements.

The land is first-class agricultural land in grass. The lessee will only be permitted to use the land for grazing purposes.

Six months' rent and the lease-fee of £1 1s. must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

Rent payable half-yearly in advance.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 26th October, 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 29th December, 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.							
					A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Bay of Islds.	Omapere*..	23	..	200 0 0	7 6	75 0 0	0 4.2	1 17 6	0 3.2	1 10 0	About 5 acres bush and 8 acres swamp; balance open undulating land. Situated about four miles from Waimate North, and near Okaihau Settlement. Some fencing has been done on the land.						
Hokianga	Omapere ..	5	V.	82 0 12	7 6	30 15 0	0 4.2	0 15 6	0 3.2	0 12 4	Fern and tea-tree land; well watered; about six miles from Okaihau Settlement.						
Waitemata	Paremoremo*	103	..	100 2 0	5 0	25 5 0	0 3	0 12 8	0 2.4	0 10 2	Broken clay land, with some patches of bush; situated about four miles from Riverhead.						
Waitemata	Waipareira*	154	..	81 3 0	5 0	20 10 0	0 3	0 10 3	0 2.4	0 8 3	Open undulating lands; about three miles from Henderson.						
		156	..	88 0 38	7 6	33 0 0	0 4.2	0 16 6	0 3.2	0 13 3							
Manukau..	Otau*	22	..	179 1 0	10 0	89 10 0	0 6	2 4 9	0 4.8	1 15 10	Broken forest land; about three miles by horse-road from Clevedon steamer-landing.						
Waikato ..	Koheroa* ..	163	..	208 0 0	5 0	52 0 0	0 3	1 6 0	0 2.4	1 0 10	Poor fern and tea-tree land, with some light timber; about eleven miles from Pokeno, on main Miranda Road.						
Otamatea..	Kaiwaka* ..	144	..	43 2 0	10 0	21 15 0	0 6	0 11 0	0 4.8	0 8 9	Open land at Kaiwaka, on Main North Road.						
Hobson ..	Tatarariki*	47A, 47B	..	237 2 17	7 6	89 5 0	0 4.2	2 4 8	0 3.2	1 15 9	Open land near West Coast sandhills, four miles from Tikinui wharf, Wairoa River. Subject to £12 for improvements (whare and fencing).						
Tauranga	Te Puna* ..	32	..	200 0 0	7 6	75 0 0	0 4.2	1 17 6	0 3.2	1 10 0	Open land, of fair quality; accessible by coach-road; eight miles from Tauranga.						
		34	..	204 0 0	7 6	76 10 0	0 4.2	1 18 3	0 3.2	1 10 8							
Piako ..	Patetere N.	1	V.	215 0 0	7 6	80 12 6	0 4.2	2 0 4	0 3.2	1 12 3	Open fern land, situated about six miles from Tirau Railway-station (Rotorua line).						
"	"	2	"	307 0 0	7 6	115 2 6	0 4.2	2 17 7	0 3.2	2 6 0							
"	"	4	"	186 0 0	7 6	69 15 0	0 4.2	1 15 0	0 3.2	1 8 0							
Whakatane	Waioatahi ..	427	..	61 2 0	10 0	31 0 0	0 6	0 15 6	0 4.8	0 12 6	Open land on Waioatahi River, eight miles from Opotiki.						

* Parish.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 26th October, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown land 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 22nd December, 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.

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.							
					A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Piako ..	Aroha ..	53	XII.	187 0 0	15 0	140 5 0	0 9	3 10 2	0 7.2	2 16 2	Subject to £42 10s. for improvements effected. About one-third of section covered with mixed bush, balance open. Situated about seven miles from Te Aroha, on the Katikati Track.						

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Land at Ealing, North Rangitata, Ashburton County, for Sale by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 8th October, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown land will be offered for sale by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Wednesday, the 8th December, 1897, at 3 o'clock p.m.

SCHEDULE.

ASHBURTON COUNTY.—RANGITATA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Block.	Reserve.	Area.	Upset Price Total Upset	
			per Acre.	Price.
VIII.	Pt. Res. 135 ..	A. R. P. 20 0 0	£ s. d. 1 15 0	£ s. d. 35 0 0
"	" ..	32 2 0	1 15 0	56 17 6

These sections are situated on either side of the Main South Road, on the north-eastern bank of the Rangitata River, at a distance of about two miles in a south-easterly direction from the Ealing Railway-station, and comprise open level plain land of light quality.

TERMS OF SALE.

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

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Dunedin, 12th October, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened for application upon lease in perpetuity at this office, on Wednesday, the 8th December, 1897, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—WAITAKI COUNTY.

First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity:	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
				A. R. P.	£ s. d.

ARDGOWAN ESTATE.

Oamaru .. | 86 | II. | 12 0 0 | 15 6 | 4 13 0
Level and slightly undulating land, agricultural; soil good; water can be obtained by sinking. Distant 35 chains from Weston Park Railway-station, or three miles and a quarter from the Town of Oamaru. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £8 13s.

MAEREWENUA ESTATE.

Maruwenua .. | 4 | III. | 11 0 0 | 8 0 | 2 4 0
| 6 | " | 7 0 28 | 7 9 | 1 7 10
Open flat land, on old alluvial and limestone formation; soil good; wholly agricultural. One mile from Duntroon Township and Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £82 1s. Sections 4 and 6 grouped and offered as one allotment.

J. P. MAITLAND, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Hundalee Survey District, Marlborough, for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, 12th October, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease upon application on and after Wednesday, the 1st December, 1897, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

FIRST-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

County.	Survey District.	Run No.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Kaikoura ..	Hundalee	90	Acres. 1,265	s. d. 0 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	£ s. d. 17 15 9
" ..	"	91	4,410	0 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 6 11

S.G. Run 90.—Nearly all hill. 50 acres ploughed and in English grass; 200 acres mixed bush and scrub; remainder (with the exception of some rocky faces) good slopes covered with tussock, fern, and native grass. Good homestead site; good iron hut, 15 ft. by 10 ft.; 100 chains of boundary are fenced. Well watered; sunny aspect; altitude, 350 ft. to 1,850 ft. Distant ten miles from Kaikoura, five miles by good dray-road and five miles by Kahautara River bed.

S.G. Run 91.—Nearly all hills; 100 acres ploughable. More than half mixed bush; patches of good kowhai and birch timber; remainder tussock and native grass. Good homestead-site at Goose Bay. Well watered; altitude, 10 ft. to 3,000 ft. Distant thirteen miles from Kaikoura, five miles by good road and eight miles by track along coast. 520 chains fencing on the run.

C. W. ADAMS, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 14th September, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for application upon lease in perpetuity at this office on Wednesday, the 10th November, 1897, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

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

LEVELS COUNTY.—PAREORA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Rosebrook Settlement.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
8 and 9	XVI.	58 0 25	10 5	14 17 11

These sections are situated at the western end of the Rosebrook Settlement, about six miles and a quarter westward from Timaru, and comprise open, flat, and undulating down lands of good quality, the soil being black, resting on a clay subsoil. The sections are entirely fenced, and include a plantation, the trees and shrubs in which may only be cut and removed with the written permission of the Commissioner of Crown Lands. The right of taking metal for road purposes from part of the plantation area is reserved in favour of the Levels County Council. The sections are weighted with a valuation of £6 10s. for fencing, &c., which sum must be paid on allotment, in addition to the usual deposit and fees.

GERALDINE COUNTY.—AROWHENUA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Kereta Settlement.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
3	IX.	26 1 19	15 2	10 0 0

This section is situated in the Kereta Settlement, about two miles eastward and seaward of the Seadown Railway-station, and about seven miles northward of Timaru, and comprises open flat land, consisting of rich, deep, and partially-drained and reclaimed swamp. The section is fenced and subdivided.

Epworth Settlement.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
14A	II.	11 3 32	12 11	3 17 1
16A	II.	9 0 11	12 11	2 18 6

These lots are situated about a mile and a quarter westward of Temuka, on the banks of the Raupo Stream, close to the Waitohi Road, and comprise open flat loamy land of good quality.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments in Southland open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 6th September, 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 22nd December, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—NEW RIVER HUNDRED.
Village-homestead Allotments, Waianiwa Village.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity : Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
FIRST-CLASS LAND.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
43	VI.	5 0 0	3 2.4	0 8 0
44	"	5 0 0	3 2.4	0 8 0
45	"	5 0 0	3 2.4	0 8 0
46	"	8 3 30	3 2.4	0 14 4
47	"	8 2 4	3 2.4	0 13 8

The whole of the sections are covered with scrub; subsoil, deep red clay; soil good, but thin; sections are all well watered; height above sea-level, about 90 ft. Distance from Waianiwa Railway-station, about three miles.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber at Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 28th September, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned clumps of green and scorched kauri timber, in the Aponga State Forest, within Blocks IV. and VIII., Mangakahia Survey District, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 19th day of November, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

No. 1 Clump.—452 green kauri-trees, containing about 2,127,834 superficial feet; 66 scorched kauri-trees, containing about 212,043 superficial feet: upset price, £1,143 8s.

No. 2 Clump.—139 green kauri-trees, containing about 439,238 superficial feet: upset price, £219 12s.

No. 3 Clump.—45 green kauri-trees, containing about 71,259 superficial feet: upset price, £35 13s.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Manukau County for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 14th September, 1897.

IT is hereby notified, in terms of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that written tenders will be received at this office on and after Friday, the 5th November, 1897, for the lease of the under-mentioned reserves.

Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque or post-office order for six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 1s. lease-fee.

MANUKAU COUNTY.—PARISH OF WAITARA.

Section S.W. 53 and Section 55, together containing 84 acres (plantation reserves); situated on the West Coast, adjoining the Waitara River, and about six miles from Pollok Wharf.

Term of lease: Five years. No compensation for improvements during either the currency or on termination of lease, but lessee may remove fences or buildings erected by him.

The lease will contain a condition that the lessee shall, at his own cost, plant each year at least 10 acres of the reserves in sand-binding grasses.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in the Township of Pipiriki open for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 25th September, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned sections in the Township of Pipiriki will be open for lease by public tender for a term of twenty-one years, with right of renewal for a further term of twenty-one years, at this office, on Wednesday, the 17th November, 1897. Sections not applied for on the 17th November, 1897, will be open thereafter at the upset ground rentals noted below.

TOWNSHIP OF PIPIRIKI.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
9	III.	1 0 21	1 0 0
11	"	1 0 12	1 0 0
8	IV.	7 3 23	1 12 0
9	"	1 2 0	1 5 0
11	"	12 0 38	2 14 0
16	"	23 3 23	2 8 0
18	"	8 3 30	1 16 0
3	VI.	0 1 0	1 15 0
5	"	0 1 0	1 15 0
6	"	0 1 0	1 15 0
7	"	0 1 16	1 15 0
8	"	0 1 5	1 10 0
9	"	0 2 9	1 5 0
10	"	0 1 15	1 10 0
11	"	0 1 8	1 10 0
12	"	0 1 14	1 10 0
1	VII.	0 3 13	1 10 0
1	VIII.	0 1 5	2 0 0
5	"	0 1 0	1 10 0
6	"	0 1 0	1 10 0
10	"	0 1 33	1 0 0
11	"	0 1 15	1 5 0
12	"	0 1 22	1 5 0
14	IX.	1 0 0	1 0 0
15	"	0 3 0	1 0 0
3	X.	0 2 0	1 10 0
4	"	0 2 0	1 5 0
9	"	0 1 35	1 5 0

General Description.

Pipiriki Township is situated on the proper left bank of the Wanganui River, about fifty-six miles from the Town of Wanganui, and comprises generally open, scrub, forest, flat, undulating, and hilly land, intersected by several gullies and small streams. The open land is interspersed with patches of fern and manuka scrub; the forest comprises tawa, pukatea, rata, hinau, rimu, &c., and tawhero on the ridges. The elevation ranges from about 110 ft. to about 700 ft. above sea-level. The soil is generally good, and grows garden and farm produce freely. Its capabilities for the production of the grape, peach, cape-gooseberry, pear, apple, quince, and other fruits are well known, and are due in great measure to the low elevation, the mild climate, and the sunny aspect of the township-site.

Pipiriki is at present the key to the up-river country, being the present inland terminus of Messrs. Hatrick and Co.'s Wanganui River steamboat-service, and the point of junction with the coach-services connecting with Taupo and Rotorua on the north, Napier on the east, and Hunterville and Rangitikei on the south-east, and it is possible that it will ultimately be connected by road with Taranaki. The Government has, where practicable, reserved the banks of the Wanganui River, and also the adjacent country, with the object of conserving for all time the beautiful and unrivalled scenery which is already of world-wide fame. Large numbers of tourists travel annually by way of Pipiriki, both from the north and the south.

Pipiriki Township is the present inlet and outlet to the Waimarino and Murimotu country as far east as Ohakune, and also the starting-point for visitors by canoe to Manganui-o-te-ao and the upper reaches of the Wanganui River, and the resting-place of those on the downward journey. These with other considerations indicate that the township will develop into a place of some commercial importance, and that, owing to its genial and healthy climate and many attractions, it will become yearly more popular as a place of resort.

Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of a half-year's rent in cash or by marked cheque, together with the lease-fee of £1.

Maps and full particulars may be obtained on application.
J. W. A. MARCHANT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Elsthorpe Estate, Hawke's Bay, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 25th September, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 17th November, 1897, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

If more than one application is 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.

OERO SURVEY DISTRICT.—PATANGATA COUNTY.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.			
			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
3	III.	A. R. P. 593 0 0	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
34	VII.	10 0 37	0	4 2-7	62	14 6
39	"	81 0 0	0	7 0-5	4	9 6

Description of Land.—Section 3 contains about 100 acres of agricultural land, the remainder being broken country, and only suitable for pastoral purposes; the soil is good, on papa formation, and well watered; the average height above sea-level is 800 ft.; there are about 176 chains of post-and-wire fencing on the north and west boundaries, and about 92 chains of internal fencing; the distance from Kaikora by road is eighteen miles, fourteen miles of which are formed and gravelled, the remainder is to be formed; in English and native grasses. Section 34 is well watered grass land adjoining the village; there are erected on it a large open shed used for storing hay, a good cattle-yard, a loose-box, and about 16 chains of internal fencing. Section 39 is well watered, the Makara Stream forming part of the boundary; nearly half of the section is flat, the balance being undulating hills with easy slopes; the soil is very good, all in grass, and suitable for cultivation; there are about 64 chains of boundary and 24 chains of internal fencing.

ELSTHORPE VILLAGE.

Section.	Area.	Half-yearly Rent.
<i>Village Sections.</i>		
10	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 0 4 0
<i>Village-homestead Sections.</i>		
27	3 0 16	1 2 0
29	10 3 14	2 15 0

Description of Land.—The Village of Elsthorpe is situated on the main road from Kaikora to the coast, about fourteen miles from the former place. It is a very pretty spot, approached from both sides through clumps of carefully-preserved native bush—a somewhat rare sight in that part of the country. The sections are all in good sward, and will make excellent residence-sites.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run and Reserves for Leasing, Marlborough Land District.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 14th September, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands will be offered for lease by auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Wednesday, the 10th day of November, 1897, at 11 a.m.:

PASTORAL LICENSE UNDER PART VI., "THE LAND ACT, 1892."

Oriero Survey District: Run No. 136: Area, 110 acres; upset annual rent, £1; term, 21 years.

RESERVE FOR LEASING UNDER "THE PUBLIC RESERVES ACT, 1881."

Town of Picton: Sections 620 to 624 (inclusive): Area, 1 acre and 12 perches; term, 5 years; upset annual rent, £2 10s.

One half-year's rent and £1 1s. lease-fee must in each case be paid on the fall of the hammer, and in the case of the pastoral run the necessary declaration must be lodged.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 14th September, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown land 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 3rd November, 1897.

If more than one application be received for the section on the same day, then the priority 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.
Whangarei	Opuawhanga	10	XIII.	A. R. P. 266 0 0	s. d. 10 0	£ s. d. 133 0 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 3 6 6	s. d. 0 4 8	£ s. d. 2 13 3

Nearly all forest land of medium quality; about two miles from sea-coast, and about five miles from Ngunguru Harbour.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED

ORDINARY REVENUE

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1926.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1927.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
464,979 13 4	Ordinary Revenue,—		
150,691 11 1	Customs	517,172 12 5	
10,688 16 1	Stamps	171,809 6 5	
1,108 9 4	Postal and Telegraph Cash Receipts	7,095 17 5	
3,865 6 7	Land-tax	1,300 18 5	
2 0 0	Income-tax	1,717 19 5	
14,487 12 2	Property-Tax .. .. .	.. .. .
271,852 4 4	Beer Duty	16,106 4 0	
23,979 7 1	Railways	296,787 8 3	
4,629 12 8	Registration and other Fees	22,666 9 0	
26,988 9 5	Marine	5,832 4 11	
	Miscellaneous	41,301 7 7	
973,268 2 1		1,081,790 7 10	
	Territorial Revenue,—		
	Cash Land Sales	£26,521 3 2	
	Deferred-payment Land Sales	8,500 11 10	
87,096 4 3	Pastoral Runs, Rents, and Miscellaneous	52,220 0 11	
1,060,364 6 4		87,241 15 11	1,169,032 3 9
	Receipts in aid,—		
.. .. .	Debentures issued under "The Consolidated Stock Act, 1884," for increase of Sinking Fund .. .. .	.. .. .	46,500 0 0
	Sinking Funds set free,—		
19,571 0 0	New Zealand Loan Act, 1863 (1914 series)	2,062 11 9	
	Auckland Loan Act, 1863 .. .. .	.. .. .	2,062 11 9
	Recoveries in respect of expenditure charged in previous quarters to "Unauthorised"—		
2,609 3 9	Cheviot Estate Account .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
3,000 0 0	Advances to Settlers Office Account .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
5,609 3 9			
£1,085,544 10 1	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	£1,217,594 15 6

TREASURY BILLS

630,000 0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at beginning of Quarter,—		
400,000 0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	354,000 0 0	
	For redemption of Guaranteed Debentures	476,000 0 0	
1,030,000 0 0			830,000 0 0
250,000 0 0	Treasury Bills issued during Quarter .. .. .	.. .. .	50,000 0 0
£1,280,000 0 0	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	£880,000 0 0

FUND for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

ACCOUNT.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.		EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
1,030,000	0 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
		Treasury Bills outstanding	830,000	0 0
335,617	1 3	Less—		
		Cash in the Public Account	£122,033	14 4
209,121	10 1	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
35,449	3 10	In the Colony	239,138	4 9
		In London	55,321	7 3
3	10 0	Imperial Pensions Account	145	9 5
206,000	0 0	Investment Account	409,400	0 0
786,191	5 2		826,038	15 9
243,808	14 10			3,961 4 3
5,791	5 6	Permanent Appropriations,—		
76,999	2 6	Civil List	5,816	11 0
42,256	15 10	Interest and Sinking Fund	68,428	7 4
34,176	8 7	Under Special Acts of the Legislature	47,536	0 1
		Subsidies paid to Local Bodies	37,321	11 4
13,522	8 6	Amounts paid over to Local Bodies and to Deposit Accounts in respect of Rents under the Land Acts	11,958	3 11
1,214	18 7	Endowments,—		
3,572	14 9	New Plymouth Harbour Board	1,173	14 4
8,186	14 5	Greymouth Harbour Board	2,563	17 6
		Westport Harbour Board	8,227	11 8
185,720	8 8			183,025 17 2
6,558	17 10	Annual Appropriations,—		
20,373	2 3	Class I.—Legislative	2,141	10 9
8,677	1 11	" II.—Colonial Secretary	15,517	4 6
32,112	3 8	" III.—Colonial Treasurer	7,427	14 9
91,009	9 3	" IV.—Minister of Justice	30,601	13 11
16,389	12 10	" V.—Postmaster-General	99,131	3 8
5,259	7 9	" VI.—Commissioner of Trade and Customs	18,151	14 0
		" VII.—Commissioner of Stamps	4,987	7 0
104,497	18 7	" VIII.—Minister of Education—		
13,883	12 6	Education Department	106,741	7 7
2,403	6 4	Lunacy and Charitable Department	13,822	4 4
4,619	3 5	Department of Labour	1,089	16 1
8,276	9 11	" IX.—Minister of Mines	3,406	17 10
179,858	19 3	" X.—Minister for Agriculture	11,615	12 7
7,772	17 0	" XI.—Working Railways	273,410	6 4
15,217	12 2	" XII.—Minister for Public Works	8,317	12 3
25,341	16 9	" XIII.—Defence Department	15,003	10 10
34,613	9 9	" XIV.—Police Department	27,667	6 11
35	18 11	" XV.—Minister of Lands	37,651	6 3
		" XVI.—Rates on Crown Lands	33	15 0
		Services not provided for	5,142	4 7
576,901	0 1			681,860 14 2
1,006,430	3 7			
19,571	0 0	Debentures redeemed,—		
		Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860—matured 1st Jan., 1897		4,500 0 0
80,000	0 0	Consolidated Stock Act, 1884		
		Amount transferred to Public Works Fund		125,000 0 0
		Net amount advanced to Government Advances to Settlers Office Management Account in terms of section 49 of "The Government Advances to Settlers Act, 1894"		1,900 0 0
308,346	7 6	Balance at end of Quarter,—		
218,155	9 10	Cash in the Public Account	444,550	15 6
88,023	12 5	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
17	16 9	In the Colony	£189,629	0 7
		In London	53,558	12 3
		On account of Imperial Pensions	208	11 7
400,000	0 0	Investment Account	243,396	4 5
1,009,543	6 6		409,400	0 0
1,030,000	0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding	1,097,346	19 11
Dr. 20,456	13 6		880,000	0 0
£1,085,544	10 1	Totals		217,346 19 11
				£1,217,594 15 6

ACCOUNT.

250,000	0 0	Treasury Bills redeemed during Quarter		
630,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at end of Quarter,—		
400,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	404,000	0 0
		In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures	476,000	0 0
1,030,000	0 0			880,000 0 0
£1,280,000	0 0	Totals		£880,000 0 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED
STATE FORESTS

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.
£ s. d. 9,217 15 5	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	£ s. d. 12,275 9 4 1,150 0 0
823 2 2 794 17 0	Rents from Lands set apart Miscellaneous	223 9 7 1,701 6 10
1,117 19 2		1,924 16 5
£10,335 14 7	Totals	£15,350 5 9

ACCOUNTS OF

6,154 16 2	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	17,797 5 8 5,315 12 3	23,112 17 11
4,221 18 9			
10,376 14 11			
301 6 6 933 11 6 17,414 12 3 2,402 4 7	Revenue received for Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c. Endowments of Land Goldfields Revenue Gold Duty	384 8 1 1,070 3 6 13,136 8 9 3,538 7 1	18,129 7 5
21,051 14 10			
80 14 8	Counties Separate Account,— Revenues of Counties in which "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .	..	86 9 0
15,450 13 10 2 12 0	Advance Accounts,— Amount recovered from Local Bodies "Unauthorised"—on account of previous quarters	8,408 10 6 0 9 0	8,408 19 6
15,453 5 10			
£46,962 10 3	Totals .. .. .	..	£49,737 13 10

DEPOSIT

55,559 2 11	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony In London	63,791 14 9 23,098 11 8	86,890 6 5
450 0 0 23,773 12 0			
79,782 14 11			
1,875 0 0 15 0 0 37 6 4 0 15 6 250 0 0 6 8 11 29,953 9 2	Lodgments,— Emigrants' Deposits General Assembly Library Fund Government of South Australia Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885 Land Transfer Act, 1885 Mining Districts Lands Occupation Act, 1894 Miscellaneous Money-order Settlement Native Land Purchases Nelson Rifle Prize Fund New Zealand Midland Railway New Zealand University Endowment, Taranaki New Zealand University Endowment, Canterbury New Zealand University Endowment, Westland North Island Experimental Dairy School North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act, 1886 Property Law Consolidation Act 1883 Amendment Act, 1885 Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881	300 0 0 0 6 8 19 10 4 76,548 18 3 1,600 0 0 191 18 6 .. 4,960 4 0 97 2 4 64 15 6 5 0 0 498 18 0 1,563 16 6 .. 345 3 10	86,135 13 11
196 9 7 28 0 0 6,525 5 6 64 10 3 64 15 6			
2,963 8 4 400 0 0 216 6 4			
42,622 15 5			
£121,405 10 4	Totals .. .. .	..	£173,026 0 4

FUND for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

ACCOUNT.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.	EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.
£ s. d. 371 12 3	Annual Appropriations,— Class XVII.—State Forests Account	£ s. d. £ s. d. 1,819 9 6
9,714 2 4	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	13,074 14 4
250 0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	456 1 11 13,530 16 3
9,964 2 4		
£10,335 14 7	Totals	£15,350 5 9

LOCAL BODIES.

1,494 2 6	Revenue paid over to Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c.	1,133 17 6
683 8 0	Endowments of Land	1,668 7 10
8,472 5 11	Goldfields Revenue	8,992 3 4
1,894 1 10	Gold Duty	2,865 1 9
12,543 18 3		14,659 10 5
16,255 18 3	Advance Accounts,— Amount paid on behalf of Local Bodies	18,393 19 1
1 0 0	Counties Separate Account,— Amount charged .. .. .	.. .. .
10,835 5 8	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	7,498 16 10
7,326 8 1	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	9,185 7 6
18,161 13 9		16,684 4 4
£46,962 10 3	Totals	£49,737 13 10

ACCOUNT.

600 0 0	Withdrawals,— Emigrants' Deposits	1,100 0 0
416 11 8	Government of South Australia .. .. .	.. .. .
31,053 8 3	Miscellaneous	74,980 13 1
250 0 0	Money-order Settlement Account	1,500 0 0
115 2 2	Native Land Purchases	99 4 11
33 0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund	400 0 0
.. .. .	New Zealand University Endowment, Taranaki	10 19 4
6,958 6 1	New Zealand Midland Railway	4,700 16 10
19 18 9	Ngatirahiri Compensation	17 5 4
39,446 6 11		82,808 19 6
55,491 5 2	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	80,205 19 2
1,474 6 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	.. .. .
25,993 11 4	In London	10,011 1 8
82,959 3 5		90,217 0 10
£122,405 10 4	Totals	£173,026 0 4

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the PUBLIC

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.			RECEIPTS.		QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.					
£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
2,665	18	6	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—							
			Cash in the Public Account		28,317	14	5			
42,458	5	5	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—							
15,749	10	3	In the Colony		£60,733	6	0			
			In London		53,604	17	2			
60,873	14	2			114,338	3	2	142,655	17	7
784	12	10	Special Receipts in connection with the Ellesmere and Forsyth Reclamation and Akaroa Railway Trust Account					800	15	8
80,000	0	0	Transfer from the Consolidated Fund in aid of Public Works					125,000	0	0
125,000	0	0	Proceeds of Debentures created under—							
			“The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896”							
12,429	0	0	Sinking Fund released under “The Consolidated Stock Act, 1884,” in respect of—							
			“The Auckland Loan Act, 1863”							
£279,087	7	0	Totals					£268,456	13	3

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE CHEVIOT

2,744	19	0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—					82	3	9
			Cash in the Public Account							
91	15	8	Receipts under “The Cheviot Estate Disposition Act, 1893,”—							
4,339	8	10	Land Sales for Cash		13	12	0			
132	3	3	Rents from Lands		4,463	9	11			
61	13	11	Shipping and Port Charges		235	13	9			
			Miscellaneous		16	11	1			
4,625	1	8						4,729	6	9
10	8	2	Recoveries in respect of Expenditure charged in previous Quarter							
£7,380	8	10	Totals					£4,811	10	6

WORKS FUND for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.		EXPENDITURE.				QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.	
£	s. d.					£	s. d.
217	3 6	Annual Appropriations,—				122	18 10
4,240	13 8	Class I.—Immigration				2,464	0 5
37,162	0 0	" II.—Public Works, Departmental				65,424	10 1
12,446	0 4	" III.—Railways				28,442	15 4
1,559	4 6	" IV.—Roads				8,921	10 10
6,153	17 3	" V.—Development of Goldfields .. .. .				..
23,628	8 3	" VI.—Purchase of Native Lands				13,010	6 11
9,986	14 10	" VII.—Telegraph Extension				15,081	5 0
3,222	0 0	" VIII.—Public Buildings				1,623	14 1
22	7 10	" IX.—Lighthouses and Harbour Defences				6	3 6
..		" X.—Rates on Native Lands				5,373	18 9
..		" XI.—Contingent Defence					
98,638	10 2						140,471 3 9
..		Services not provided for .. .. .				..	546 13 8
80,143	4 0	Balance at end of Quarter,—				22,410	13 7
68,986	3 0	Cash in the Public Account					
31,319	9 10	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—					
		In the Colony		£60,417	5 6		
		In London		44,610	16 9		
180,448	16 10					105,028	2 3
£279,087	7 0	Totals .. .. .				..	127,438 15 10
							£268,456 13 3

ESTATE ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

..		Expenditure,—				4,300	0 0
..		Interest on Debentures				237	14 2
2,609	3 9	Survey, Roading, &c. .. .. .				..
		Transferred to Consolidated Fund in recoupment of charges paid in respect of the Cheviot Estate Account					
							4,537 14 2
4,771	5 1	Balance at end of Quarter,—				..	273 16 4
		Cash in the Public Account					
£7,380	8 10	Totals .. .. .				..	£4,811 10 6

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE LAND FOR

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
5,501 14 4	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	17,262 8 7	
	Cash in the Public Account		
700 0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—	1,491 5 7	
	In the Colony		18,753 14 2
6,201 14 4			
7,511 0 5	Receipts derived from Rents and Lease-fees		7,718 9 1
8,300 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under—		
	“The Land for Settlements Act, 1894”		
<u>£22,012 14 9</u>	Totals		<u>£26,472 3 3</u>

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LANDS

1,225 4 10	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	58,611 15 7	
	Cash in the Public Account		
39,499 15 8	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—	36,015 6 9	
	In the Colony	25,000 0 0	
	Investment Account		119,627 2 4
40,725 0 6			
62,500 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under—		
	“The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896”		
<u>£108,225 0 6</u>	Totals		<u>£119,627 2 4</u>

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE NATIVE LANDS

1,214 0 5	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	65,586 0 2	
	Cash in the Public Account		
20,930 4 5	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—	17,803 18 10	
	In the Colony		83,189 19 0
22,144 4 10			
62,500 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under—		
	“The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act 1896”		
<u>£84,644 4 10</u>	Totals		<u>£83,189 19 0</u>

SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.		EXPENDITURE.				QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.			
£	s. d.	Estate.		Purchase-money.	Incidental Expenses.	£	s. d.		
				£	s. d.				
		Acquirement of Estates, and expenses incidental thereto:—							
19	7 7	Albury			185	13 11	185	13 11	
259	16 9	Ardgowan			23	18 0	23	18 0	
		Arowhenua			32	9 0	32	9 0	
2	15 4	Ashley Gorge							
104	18 7	Blind River			0	15 0	0	15 0	
0	6 0	Braco							
113	13 5	Elsthorpe			272	1 11	272	1 11	
183	11 1	Highbank			44	0 8	44	0 8	
		Horsley Down			68	13 3	68	13 3	
0	4 8	Kapua							
		Marawiti			43	13 2	43	13 2	
502	14 1	Merrivale			8	15 0	8	15 0	
		Momona			14	3 5	14	3 5	
		Okania			4	3 8	4	3 8	
33	10 6	Omaka			65	17 6	65	17 6	
3	1 6	Omihi Stock Reserve							
458	1 6	Opouriao			2	19 9	2	19 9	
18	12 0	Orakapoa							
0	4 8	Otaio			20	15 3	20	15 3	
2,008	17 3	Otahu (J. Batger and W. Menzies)		7,555	4 6	82	16 3	7,638	0 9
		Otarakara				1	12 6	1	12 6
4	5 0	Paparangi (W. Drake)		3,875	8 0	12	12 6	3,888	0 6
120	16 4	Pareora							
489	18 3	Patoa							
139	13 11	Poerua							
		Pomahaka				34	12 9	34	12 9
30	19 5	Poupare				10	15 6	10	15 6
		Puketapu				8	0 6	8	0 6
		Puhipuhi				3	16 0	3	16 0
		Studholme Junction				9	12 0	9	12 0
15	0 0	Raureka				0	5 10	0	5 10
313	16 10	Roimata				0	10 0	0	10 0
		Tokarahi				426	6 2	426	6 2
82	15 2	Waihemo Grange				140	1 11	140	1 11
8,612	4 10	Waimaire							
		Wharenui				21	12 6	21	12 6
13,343	4 8			11,430	12 6	1,540	13 11	12,971	6 5
729	11 9	Annual Appropriations,—							
		Vote, Land for Settlements Expenses							422 5 9
14,072	16 5								
5,761	0 5	Balance at end of Quarter,—							
		Cash in the Public Account						11,067	15 10
2,178	17 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—							
		In the Colony						2,010	15 3
7,939	18 4								13,078 11 1
£22,012	14 9	Totals							£26,472 3 3

IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

32,740	1 4	Annual Appropriations,—							
		Vote, Roads and Bridges						49,103	3 3
		Services not provided for						307	11 7
									49,410 14 10
61,191	6 5	Balance at end of Quarter,—							
		Cash in the Public Account						26,259	1 7
9,293	12 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—							
		In the Colony						18,957	5 11
		Investment Account						25,000	0 0
70,484	19 2								70,216 7 6
£103,225	0 6	Totals							£119,627 2 4

PURCHASE ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

23,961	14 7	Annual Appropriations,—							
		Vote, Native Land Purchases							32,588 13 5
58,814	18 3	Balance at end of Quarter,—							
		Cash in the Public Account						34,629	4 8
1,867	12 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—							
		In the Colony						15,977	0 11
60,682	10 3								50,606 5 7
£84,644	4 10	Totals							£83,189 19 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONVERSION

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.		RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
7,005	11 3	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
		Cash in the Public Account		
		Advances—		
		In hands of the Stock Agents—		
647	12 10	Cash		
		In hands of the Agent-General—		
11,017	3 2	3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock	20,224	19 1
		Less Cash overdrawn	14,762	12 6
18,670	7 3			
		3 per cent. Inscribed Stock created,—		
27,721	0 0	Issued in exchange for Debentures, as per contra		225,046 0 0
		Premium on sale of 3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock above par		6 5 0
£47,216	7 3	Totals		£230,514 11 7

ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897 and 1896, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.		EXPENDITURE.				QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.	
£	s. d.	Original Amount.	Rate.	Premium	Stock.	£	s. d.
£	s. d.	£	£	£	£	£	s. d.
..		Debentures converted into 3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,— Consolidated Loan Act, 1867 .. 4,200 108 336 4,536 New Zealand Loan Act, 1863 (1914) .. 1,400 121 294 1,694 Consolidated Stock Act, 1884 .. 218,816 100 .. 218,816 224,416 .. 630 225,046				..	225,046 0 0
27,721 0 0		Debentures converted into 3½-per-cent. Stock .. .. .				..	..
12,300 0 0		Debentures redeemed,— Auckland Loan Act, 1863, due 1st June, 1896 .. .. .				..	..
102 17 6		Expenses Account,—				1,406 14 6	
54 10 0		Stamp Duty				50 0 0	
59 10 6		Brokerage and Commission				2 12 0	
124 16 3		Printing and Advertising				68 1 7	
341 14 3		Office Expenses					1,522 8 1
6,530 11 3		Balance at end of Quarter,—				3,692 18 0	
305 18 7		Cash in the Public Account				253 5 6	
17 3 2		Advances—				..	
6,853 13 0		In the hands of Stock Agents—					3,946 3 6
		Cash					
		In hands of Agent-General—					
		3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock					
£47,216 7 3		Totals				£230,514 11 7	

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LOANS TO LOCAL

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1896.		RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPT., 1897.	
£	s.		£	s.
2,342	13 7	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
		Cash in the Public Account	2,659	9 11
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
		In the Colony	915	12 1
				3,575 2 0
21,000	0 0	The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,—		
		Debentures created		28,050 0 0
		Refund on account of Grants charged in previous Quarter,—		
		Kiwitea County Council		1,524 0 0
150	0 0	Refund under section 15 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,"—		
		Parihaka Road Board		
500	0 0	Refund in reduction of Inscribed Debt,—		
		Wairarapa North County		
£23,992	13 7	Totals		£33,149 2 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE of the NEW

65,220	0 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
212,300	0 0	Cash in Deposit Account	135	0 0
		Investment Account	298,800	0 0
				298,935 0 0
277,520	0 0			
16,080	0 0	Deposits inscribed		1,415 0 0
£293,600	0 0	Totals		£300,350 0 0

The Treasury, Wellington, 6th October, 1897.

Examined and found correct as regards the Railway Receipts.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

Examined and found to agree with the Collectors' Cash-books.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector of Customs.

Examined and found correct as regards Territorial Revenue and Land Sales Receipts.

WM. G. RUNCIE,
Auditor of the Land Revenue Accounts.

SUMMARY of BALANCES on 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897.

		BALANCES.				CASH.	ADVANCES.	INVESTMENTS.	TOTAL.
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
CONSOLIDATED FUND:—						CONSOLIDATED FUND:—			
Ordinary Revenue Account ..	1,097,346 19 11					444,550 15 6	243,396 4 5	409,400 0 0	1,097,346 19 11
State Forests Account ..	13,580 16 3					13,074 14 4	456 1 11	..	13,530 16 3
Accounts of Local Bodies ..	16,684 4 4					7,498 16 10	9,185 7 6	..	16,684 4 4
Deposit Accounts ..	90,217 0 10					80,205 19 2	10,011 1 8	..	90,217 0 10
				1,217,779 1 4					
						545,330 5 10	263,048 15 6	409,400 0 0	1,217,779 1 4
PUBLIC WORKS FUND				127,438 15 10		22,410 13 7	105,028 2 3	..	127,438 15 10
CHEVIOT ESTATE ACCOUNT				273 16 4		273 16 4	..	..	273 16 4
LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT				13,078 11 1		11,067 15 10	2,010 15 3	..	13,078 11 1
LANDS IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT				70,216 7 6		26,259 1 7	18,957 5 11	25,000 0 0	70,216 7 6
NATIVE LANDS PURCHASE ACCOUNT				50,606 5 7		34,629 4 8	15,977 0 11	..	50,606 5 7
CONVERSION ACCOUNT				3,946 3 6		3,692 18 0	253 5 6	..	3,946 3 6
LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT				11,868 4 4		7,033 16 3	4,834 8 1	..	11,868 4 4
NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT				300,350 0 0		..	..	300,350 0 0	300,350 0 0
REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT				Dr. 300,000 0 0		..	..	..	Cr. 300,000 0 0
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT				22,884 0 6		22,884 0 6	..	..	22,884 0 6
Totals				£1,518,441 6 0		£373,581 12 7	£410,109 18 5	£734,750 0 0	£1,518,441 6 0

Population of the Colony.

RETURN of the Estimated Population (exclusive and inclusive of Maoris) of the Colony of New Zealand on the 30th September, 1897.

							Males.	Females.	Totals.
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 30th June, 1897							379,395	339,897	719,292
Increase during September quarter, 1897—									
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.		
By Births		2,461	2,285	4,746					
" Arrivals		2,432	1,214	3,646					
					4,893	3,499	8,392		
Decrease during September quarter, 1897—									
By Deaths		1,087	727	1,814					
" Departures		1,908	1,063	2,966					
					2,990	1,790	4,780		
Net increase during September quarter, 1897							1,903	1,709	3,612
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 30th September, 1897							381,298	341,606	722,904
Maori population, census, 1896*							21,673	18,181	39,854
Total estimated population of the colony on 30th September, 1897							402,971	359,787	762,758

* Later figures cannot be given, births and deaths of Maoris not being recorded.

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

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 16th October, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Opotiki, Bay of Plenty, on the 6th day of November, 1897, to hear and determine the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which application has been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Auckland, 97-74.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Conveyance (C.A. 97-133)	13th September, 1897	Lot 6, Town of Whakatane	Hori Tunui Kaperiere and Kaperiere to Eliza Ann McAlister, wife of John McAlister.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 26th October, 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 Marton on the 16th day of November, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 97-95.]

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1	Mariana Pine	Oruamatua-Kaimanawa No. 3.

APPLICATION FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDER.

No.	Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
4	Albert Edward Ashcroft	Otamakapua No. 1L	£22 9s.
5	Albert Edward Ashcroft	Otamakapua No. 1M	£24 9s. 6d.
6	Arthur Angus Kennedy	Otamakapua No. 1N	£19 5s.
7	Arthur Angus Kennedy	Otamakapua No. 1K	£32 18s.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 26th October, 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 Hawera on the 5th day of November, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 97-94.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDERS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
172	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 38-23)	Subdivision 1, Section 13, Block II., Hawera (Araukuku)	£ s. d. 0 6 0
173	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 38-25)	Subdivision 1, Section 13, Block II., Hawera (Araukuku)	0 6 0
174	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 151-1)	Subdivision 1, Kaitieke Block	51 0 0
175	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 197-9)	Subdivision 3, Section 22, Block II., Hawera (Ngatitupaea)	4 7 0
176	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 197-11)	Subdivision 4, Section 22, Block II., Hawera (Ngatitupaea)	3 0 0
177	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 197-13)	Subdivision 2, Section 22, Block II., Hawera (Ngatitupaea)	1 2 0
178	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 197-15)	Subdivision 6, Section 22, Block II., Hawera (Ngatitupaea)	1 16 0
179	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 197-17)	Subdivision 1, Section 22, Block II., Hawera (Ngatitupaea)	0 19 0
180	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-3)	Subdivision 2, Section 1, Block XII., Section 45, Block X., Opunake (Orimupiko)	1 10 0
181	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-5)	Sections 18 and 23, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	1 1 6
182	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-7)	Section 19, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	0 5 0
183	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-9)	Section 20, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	1 4 0
184	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-11)	Sections 21 and 23, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	1 12 0
185	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-13)	Section 22, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	0 9 0
186	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-15)	Section 24, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	2 7 6
187	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-17)	Section 25, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	0 10 0
188	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-19)	Section 26, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	0 16 0
189	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-21)	Section 27, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	0 14 0
190	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-23)	Section 28, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	0 6 0
191	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-25)	Section 29, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	3 7 0
192	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-27)	Section 30, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	1 10 0
193	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 228-29)	Section 32, Block XII., Opunake (Orimupiko)	1 11 0
194	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-7)	Section 4, Block XII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	2 10 0
195	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-9)	Section 5, Block XII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	2 10 0
196	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-11)	Section 6 or 7, Block XII., Subdivision 1, Section 1, Block XII., Subdivision 2, Section 85, Block XI., Opunake	10 0 0
197	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-13)	Section 7, Block XII., Opunake	3 0 0
198	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-15)	Section 11, Block XII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	5 0 0
199	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-17)	Section 15, Block XII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	3 0 0
200	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-19)	Section 17, Block XII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	0 15 0
201	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-21)	Section 6, Block VIII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	3 12 0
202	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-23)	Section 9, Block VIII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	2 5 0
203	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-25)	Section 11, Block VIII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	9 17 0
204	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-27)	Section 16, Block XII., Section 3, Block VII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	7 9 0
205	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-29)	Section 5, Block VIII., Sections 85 and 87, Block XI., Section 44, Block X., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	8 15 0
206	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-31)	Section 7, Block VIII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	16 10 0
207	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-33)	Section 8, Block VIII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	15 2 0
208	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 319-35)	Section 10, Block VIII., Opunake (Pukekohatu)	8 0 0
209	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 555-5)	Subdivision 1, Section 135, Waitara West (Matarikoriko)	4 5 9
210	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 555-7)	Subdivision 3, Section 135, Waitara West (Matarikoriko)	14 15 8
211	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 555-9)	Subdivision 4, Section 135, Waitara West (Matarikoriko)	6 3 5
212	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 555-11)	Subdivision 5, Section 135, Waitara West (Matarikoriko)	3 5 9
213	The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Taranaki (N.P. 555-13)	Subdivision 7, Section 135, Waitara West (Matarikoriko)	27 0 0

RETURN of REVENUE collected at the GENERAL POST OFFICE and in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1897.

District	POSTAL REVENUE.							TELEGRAPH REVENUE.				Total Post and Telegraph Revenue.
	Private Box and Bag Rents.	Money-order Commission.	Stamps sold, and credited to Stamp Revenue.	Postal Guides.	Postal-note Commission.	Miscellaneous Receipts (Postal).	Total Postal.	Telegrams.	Telephone Exchanges.	Miscellaneous Telegraph.	Total Telegraph.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Post Office ..	2 0 0	..	..	..	..	332 10 0	334 10 0	526 5 1	31 15 9	154 14 10	712 15 8	1,047 5 8
Auckland ..	98 0 0	759 0 9	7,323 5 2½	1 11 6	133 4 2½	0 0 6	8,315 2 2	4,064 2 9½	192 15 11	61 0 9	4,317 19 5½	12,633 1 7½
Blenheim ..	8 10 0	42 7 0	776 15 3½	0 1 6	12 9 5½	0 0 6	840 3 9	314 9 9	17 8 7	0 10 0	332 8 4	1,172 12 1
Christchurch ..	104 10 0	386 5 2	5,778 3 9	0 19 0	72 12 0	0 6 0	6,342 15 11	2,534 6 10	304 11 4	29 10 0	2,868 8 2	9,211 4 1
Dunedin ..	49 0 0	342 3 9	5,243 18 10	0 16 0	87 9*10	0 6 6	5,723 14 11	2,702 9 9½	76 10 2	40 12 6	2,819 12 5½	8,543 7 4½
Gisborne ..	18 0 0	46 19 0	1,026 18 7½	0 0 6	6 5 7½	..	1,098 3 9	516 3 5	10 19 11	19 5 1	546 8 5	1,644 12 2
Greymouth ..	9 10 0	92 2 6	1,279 18 11½	0 3 6	14 1 2	0 1 6	1,395 17 7½	583 8 2½	26 0 4	3 10 0	612 18 6½	2,008 16 2
Hokitika ..	3 0 0	38 11 6	401 14 7½	0 1 0	7 12 6	..	450 19 7½	255 11 6½	..	0 10 0	256 1 6½	707 1 2
Invercargill ..	52 15 0	141 14 3	3,262 9 10½	0 4 0	49 1 5½	..	3,506 4 7	1,149 4 8½	42 13 10	6 10 0	1,198 8 6½	4,704 13 1½
Napier ..	77 10 0	188 15 9	2,700 6 5	0 10 6	49 10 9½	..	3,016 13 5½	1,226 3 2	119 14 8	6 0 0	1,351 17 10	4,368 11 3½
Nelson ..	7 10 0	74 11 6	1,311 8 9½	0 4 0	15 13 7	0 1 0	1,409 8 10½	445 4 2½	..	0 10 0	445 14 2½	1,855 3 1
New Plymouth ..	26 0 0	88 12 6	1,276 2 3½	0 4 6	23 5 6½	..	1,414 4 10	551 1 0	5 8 2	1 10 0	557 19 2	1,972 4 0
Oamaru ..	10 0 0	49 4 0	1,368 19 7	0 0 6	15 3 10	..	1,443 7 11	318 6 7½	17 6 8	2 10 0	338 3 3½	1,781 11 2½
Thames..	27 0 0	265 2 9	2,535 2 3	0 3 0	40 15 11½	0 1 0	2,868 4 11½	1,089 2 4½	0 10 7	2 0 0	1,091 12 11½	3,959 17 11
Timaru ..	30 10 0	79 9 9	2,817 5 10	0 3 0	23 9 6	0 2 0	2,951 0 1	501 11 1½	10 19 8	40 0 0	552 10 9½	3,503 10 10½
Wanganui ..	66 0 0	174 16 3	4,837 8 4	0 5 6	51 1 11	0 1 3	5,129 13 3	1,053 11 7	26 0 0	14 5 6	1,093 17 1	6,223 10 4
Wellington ..	106 10 0	729 9 9	9,004 11 11	0 17 0	116 4 8	3 17 1	9,961 10 5	3,438 12 0	212 14 8	599 1 3	4,250 7 11	14,211 18 4
Westport ..	4 10 0	86 17 6	670 6 6	0 0 6	12 15 5½	..	774 9 11½	462 19 3	..	4 0 0	466 19 3	1,241 9 2½
Total third quarter in 1897	700 15 0	3,586 3 8	51,614 17 1	6 5 6	730 17 6	337 7 4	56,976 6 1	21,732 13 5½	1,095 10 3	985 19 11	23,814 3 7½	80,790 9 8½
Total third quarter in 1896	705 10 0	3,305 2 11	49,271 8 0	8 3 0	665 18 5½	82 4 7	54,038 6 11½	23,693 17 11	1,066 12 0	730 13 6	25,491 3 5	79,529 10 4½

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

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

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STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of MONEY-ORDER and SAVINGS-BANK TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1897.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Money-order Offices open at End of Quarter.	MONEY-ORDERS.				Savings-Bank Offices open at End of Quarter.	SAVINGS-BANKS.							
		Issued.		Paid.			Accounts.		Number of Deposits.	Number of Withdrawals.	Amount of Deposits.	Amount of Withdrawals.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits.
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		Opened.	Closed.						
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Auckland	84	14,898	48,926 8 4	13,692	51,128 12 1	83	1,414	859	9,840	6,347	127,415 3 3	104,311 13 4	23,103 9 11	..
Blenheim	8	1,131	3,416 19 5	669	2,319 7 1	8	110	103	873	639	9,443 15 2	9,718 10 3	..	274 15 1
Christchurch	49	8,597	28,647 8 5	7,495	28,509 17 8	49	1,496	944	13,765	8,963	168,008 9 0	143,031 6 3	24,977 2 9	..
Dunedin	45	8,740	27,089 14 8	9,055	34,927 14 1	42	1,131	776	10,426	6,571	102,271 15 3	101,144 15 6	1,126 19 9	..
Gisborne	3	849	2,631 7 1	306	1,181 5 4	3	137	111	855	651	9,439 14 9	7,883 3 3	1,556 11 6	..
Greymouth	10	2,054	6,336 10 6	855	3,141 5 9	10	181	106	1,115	555	13,772 17 11	10,203 5 6	3,569 12 5	..
Hokitika	6	943	2,372 7 2	464	1,867 10 5	6	69	44	404	297	4,540 14 3	4,727 0 8	..	186 6 5
Invercargill	26	3,602	10,604 3 1	1,851	6,295 18 7	26	369	208	2,407	1,317	29,258 18 6	24,577 1 8	4,681 16 10	..
Napier	22	4,316	12,224 3 4	2,092	8,783 18 5	21	435	281	2,851	1,741	27,807 17 9	26,078 7 0	1,729 10 9	..
Nelson	12	1,725	5,548 6 9	1,381	5,418 7 5	12	192	123	1,505	886	21,878 19 9	19,456 0 11	2,422 18 10	..
New Plymouth	7	2,255	6,719 13 8	1,249	5,314 10 7	7	240	162	1,304	1,009	18,339 1 2	17,976 10 5	362 10 9	..
Oamaru	9	1,459	6,223 9 5	799	3,315 7 1	9	129	105	1,067	642	10,517 14 6	10,078 16 3	438 18 3	..
Thames	15	5,923	20,298 13 6	1,593	6,766 1 4	15	707	342	3,971	1,802	37,701 19 10	27,012 12 11	10,689 6 11	..
Timaru	12	2,098	7,466 14 7	853	3,112 3 3	12	249	173	1,659	1,195	28,684 0 3	22,139 14 0	6,544 6 3	..
Wanganui	24	4,443	14,932 11 3	2,010	7,772 3 6	22	498	321	2,975	1,877	33,366 15 5	33,703 19 9	..	337 4 4
Wellington	47	12,277	40,175 12 5	10,165	40,612 17 11	44	1,809	1,105	14,836	9,080	146,722 17 10	129,324 11 0	17,398 6 10	..
Westport	12	1,909	5,874 13 7	432	1,786 5 8	12	172	73	936	416	10,461 19 0	7,316 0 5	3,145 18 7	..
Total 3rd quarter in 1897	391	77,219	249,488 17 2	55,011	212,253 6 2	381	9,338	5,841	70,739	43,988	799,632 13 7	698,683 9 1	100,949 4 6	..
Total 3rd quarter in 1896	376	70,872	241,291 3 9	53,245	212,831 5 2	368	8,279	5,595	62,726	42,190	733,735 13 1	643,705 18 11	90,029 14 2	..

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

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1897.

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POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams.		Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.*		Bureau Communications.		Total.		Government Telegrams.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Value.
Auckland	169	87,518	£ s. d. 3,287 9 9	4,203	£ s. d. 363 14 9½	6,037	£ s. d. 309 15 4	5,546	£ s. d. 103 2 11	103,304	£ s. d. 4,064 2 9½	8,349	£ s. d. 702 8 11
Blenheim	19	6,589	232 12 1	313	32 3 6	192	36 10 11	422	13 3 3	7,456	314 9 9	949	73 16 7
Christchurch	79	50,567	1,915 19 11	2,371	192 15 0	2,177	378 0 3	1,893	47 11 8	57,008	2,534 6 10	4,290	299 0 7
Dunedin	124	59,599	2,215 8 5½	1,857	178 10 4	3,322	198 16 10	4,977	109 14 2	69,755	2,702 9 9½	3,969	346 17 3
Gisborne	15	8,749	378 6 2	481	44 9 10	1,162	58 16 5	998	34 11 0	11,390	516 3 5	826	77 10 11
Greymouth	11	12,275	453 12 8½	416	33 11 7	301	96 3 2	3	9	12,995	583 8 2½	1,462	128 2 6
Hokitika	19	5,309	185 15 5½	139	11 5 3	81	58 10 10	..	..	5,529	255 11 6½	615	57 5 1
Invercargill	61	21,446	787 2 3	513	45 5 0	1,084	99 9 10½	8,680	217 7 7	31,723	1,149 4 8½	1,828	144 14 11
Napier	41	23,851	901 7 7½	1,064	107 3 11½	1,023	186 4 9	1,154	31 6 10	27,092	1,226 3 2	1,924	162 8 5
Nelson	32	11,553	352 17 6½	473	30 8 3	18,029	61 14 8	8	0 3 9	30,063	445 4 2½	1,907	118 5 6
New Plymouth	18	12,515	436 11 11	541	47 3 6	421	57 13 10	330	9 11 9	13,807	551 1 0	1,575	164 16 2
Oamaru	19	5,579	190 6 3½	186	15 6 6	47	96 15 10	618	15 18 0	6,430	318 6 7½	409	27 6 10
Thames	23	25,174	874 8 1	1,359	109 13 0½	398	95 18 6	293	9 2 9	27,224	1,089 2 4½	2,038	142 17 1
Timaru	20	10,753	377 6 0½	594	42 19 2	611	81 5 11	..	..	11,958	501 11 1½	588	41 1 3
Wanganui	33	25,052	854 2 3	1,086	79 4 8	500	114 0 2	255	6 4 6	26,893	1,053 11 7	1,865	141 2 6
Wellington	95	79,444	2,782 0 10	3,931	357 2 6	15,102	235 19 9	2,105	63 8 11	100,582	3,438 12 0	20,137	3,324 15 2
Westport	20	9,862	357 10 3	512	63 9 8	315	41 19 4	..	..	10,689	462 19 3	1,447	110 18 11
Total third quarter in 1897	798	455,835	16,582 17 7½	20,039	1,754 6 6½	50,742	2,207 16 4½	27,232	661 7 10	553,898	21,206 8 4½	54,178	6,063 8 7
Total third quarter in 1896	755	451,150	18,157 4 3½	22,815	2,101 8 2½	50,991	2,840 5 1	24,882	595 0 4	549,838	23,693 17 11	54,752	5,231 2 9

* The bulk of Press telegrams are forwarded as "Collect" on delivery.

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

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES JOHN LITTLE, of Opitonui, near Coromandel, Miner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at Mr. B. B. Johnson's office, Coromandel, on Monday, the 25th day of October, 1897, at 2.30 o'clock.

Auckland, 18th October, 1897. J. LAWSON, Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ADAM MENZIES, of Auckland, Agent, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 27th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

Auckland, 20th October, 1897. J. LAWSON, Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN TUOHY, of Coromandel, Miner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 29th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

Auckland, 22nd October, 1897. J. LAWSON, Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD WILLIAMS, of Ngaire, Baker, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Stratford, on the 2nd day of November, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

Hawera, 25th October, 1897. C. A. BUDGE, Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GRACE KEARNEY, of Christchurch, Hotelkeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 28th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

Christchurch, 21st October, 1897. G. L. GREENWOOD, Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that LLEWELLYN EVAN ARGYLE GRIFFITHS, of Woolston, Coachbuilder, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 29th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

Christchurch, 22nd October, 1897. G. L. GREENWOOD, Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that statements of accounts and balance-sheets in respect of the under-mentioned estates, together with the report of the Audit Office thereon, have been duly filed in the above Court; and I hereby further give notice that at the sitting of the said Court to be holden on Tuesday, the 16th day of November, 1897, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 26th day of October, 1897.

- E. Steeds, of Christchurch, Provision Merchant.
- B. Hale, of Christchurch, Manufacturer.
- A. S. Clarkson, of Rangiora, Commission Agent.
- W. H. Hole, of Spreydon, Farmer.
- R. Williams, of Christchurch, Schoolmaster.
- A. Chrystal, of Christchurch, Hawker.
- J. Taylor, of Woodend, Butcher.
- J. R. Millar, of Christchurch, Tobacconist.
- A. H. Fisher, of Christchurch, Brewers' Traveller.
- F. Bryenton, of Christchurch, Butcher.
- G. H. Wilson, of Sefton, Farmer.

- J. S. Myers, of Marshland, Farmer.
- W. N. Clausen, of Lower Riccarton, Labourer.
- H. W. Gamble, of Christchurch, Working Jeweller.
- J. W. Voice and F. Peat, of Christchurch, Coachbuilders.
- F. C. Moorhouse, of Rangiora, Trainer.
- H. Peat, of Christchurch, Shop-assistant.
- G. M. Darley, of Christchurch, Draper.
- S. Amsden, of Christchurch, Bootmaker.
- J. Davies, of Kaiapoi, Labourer.
- M. A. Hill, of West Melton, Farmer.
- A. Cameron, of Waikari, Labourer.
- H. Butters, of White's Bridge, Labourer.
- J. McFerran, of Christchurch, Clerk.
- J. J. Noonan, of Robinson's Bay, Akaroa, Farmer.
- H. C. Buckland, of Rolleston, Farmer.
- J. F. Fountaine, of Christchurch, Drapers' Assistant.
- W. Spence, of Springfield, Saddler.
- J. Lindon, of Rangiora, Labourer.
- F. W. Buckley, of Linwood, Clerk.

G. L. GREENWOOD, Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that statements of accounts and balance-sheets in respect of the under-mentioned estates, together with the report of the Audit Office thereon, have been duly filed in the above Court; and I hereby further give notice that at the sitting of the said Court to be holden on Friday, the 12th day of November, 1897, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 20th day of October, 1897.

- Allen, James, Dromore, Farmer.
- Tasker, H. J., Ashburton, Billiard-marker.
- Revell, T., Ashburton, Butcher.
- Braddell, C., Ashburton, Commission Agent.
- Jewitt, J. H., Ashburton, Fishmonger.
- Todd, R., Mount Somers, Contractor.
- Buchanan, E. S., Christchurch, Schoolmaster.
- Nelson, S. B., Ashburton, Carpenter.
- Cuthbertson, R. M., Ashburton, Solicitor.
- Cairncross, D., Tinwald, Labourer.
- Andrewes, L. F., Ashburton, Stationer.
- Redmayne, M., Tinwald, Stock-dealer.
- Thomas, J., Hampstead, Labourer.
- Frew, W. J., Westerfield, Overseer.
- Lloyd, J., the younger, Ashburton, Stable-keeper.
- Hume, S., Ashburton, Engine-driver.
- Sawle, J. W., Hinds, Farmer.
- Murphy, J., Wakanui, Farmer.
- McKenzie, A., Tinwald, Labourer.

JOHN DAVISON, Deputy Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.

Estate of WILLIAM MORTON, of St. Andrew's, Contractor. A FIRST dividend, of 10s. per pound, on all accepted proved claims is now payable at my office, Arcade Chambers, Timaru.

ALEX. MONTGOMERY, Deputy Official Assignee.

Timaru, 25th October, 1897.

Mining Notices.

THE WAIHI SILVERTON EXTENDED GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that, from the 11th October, 1897, Mr. D. G. MacDONNELL will cease to act as Local Secretary, and that the Office or place of business of the above-named company will be at 208 and 209, Victoria Arcade, Auckland, to which address all communications must be forwarded.

ANDRÉ P. GRIFFITHS, General Manager.

Auckland, 8th October, 1897.

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INCA GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

Auckland, 30th September, 1897.

To the Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

SIR,—Please take notice that the Office of this company has been removed to 28, Shortland Street; and that the name of the Manager is WILLIAM HENRY CHURTON, F.S.A.A. Eng., vice Mr. Albert Cuff, resigned.

Yours faithfully,

J. J. DIXON, } Directors.
T. J. STEELE, }

LADAS GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

Auckland, 19th October, 1897.

To the Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

SIR,—Please take notice that the Office of this company has been removed to 28, Shortland Street; and that the name of the Manager is WILLIAM HENRY CHURTON, F.S.A.A. Eng., vice Mr. Albert Cuff, resigned.

Yours faithfully,

T. J. STEELE, GRAVES AICKIN, } Directors.

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GOLDEN SPARK GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

Auckland, 19th October, 1897.

To the Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

SIR,—Please take notice that the Office of this company has been removed to 28, Shortland Street; and that the name of the Manager is WILLIAM HENRY CHURTON, F.S.A.A. Eng., vice Mr. Albert Cuff, resigned.

Yours faithfully,

T. J. STEELE, GRAVES AICKIN, } Directors.
J. J. DIXON,

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To the Registrar at Dunedin of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, Otago and Southland District.

THE Phoenix Water-race Company, registered in accordance with "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," hereby gives notice that its Registered Office is now situated at No. 148, Princes Street, Dunedin.

Dated this 21st day of October, 1897.

A. BARTLEMAN, SPENCER BRENT, } Directors.

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I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Imperial Gold-mining Company (Limited) as a limited company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

- 1. The name of the company is to be the Imperial Gold-mining Company (Limited).
2. The place of intended operations is at Upper Blackball, Grey District.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at the Black Ball Coal Company's Office, Ngahere.
4. The nominal capital of the company is twenty-eight thousand pounds, in twenty-eight thousand shares of one pound each, of which four thousand are held in reserve.
5. The number of shares subscribed for is twenty-four thousand, being not less than two-thirds of the whole number of shares in the company.
6. The number of paid-up shares is nil.
7. The amount already paid up is one hundred and forty-four pounds.
8. The name of the Manager is Joseph O'Shaughnessy.
9. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Name and Address, No. of Shares. Includes Scott, Joseph, Mine-manager, Ngahere (3,000); Leitch, James, Underground Manager, Blackball (2,000); Leitch, Walter, Deputy Overman, Blackball (2,000); etc.

Dated this 14th day of October, 1897.

JOSEPH O'SHAUGHNESSY, Manager.

Witness to signature—J. J. L. Burke, Clerk, Stamp Office, Hokitika.

I, Joseph O'Shaughnessy, of Ngahere, in the Provincial District of Westland, in New Zealand, Clerk, do hereby 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."

JOSEPH O'SHAUGHNESSY.

Sworn at Ahaura, this 14th day of October, 1897, before me—James Hargreaves, J.P.

1249

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

- 1. The name of the company is to be the Flossie Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Kennedy's Bay.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is two thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is sixty thousand, of eightpence each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is fifty-seven thousand seven hundred and fifty.
7. The name of the Manager is John Hunter Harrison.
8. The names and addresses and occupations of the share holders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as below:—

Table with 2 columns: Name and Address, No. of Shares. Includes Harrison, Richard Herbert, Coromandel, Mine-manager (2,000); Billing, Aubrey F., Coromandel, Law Clerk (750); Edwards, D., Auckland (1,500); Harrison, John Hunter, Auckland, Mining Agent (1,000); etc.

Total .. 60,000

Dated this 21st day of October, 1897.

JOHN HUNTER HARRISON, Manager.

Witness to signature—H. D. Morpeth.

I, John Hunter Harrison, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

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

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

J. H. HARRISON.

Taken before me, this 21st day of October, 1897—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 1259

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Te Puke Gold-mining Company as a no-liability company under "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

- 1. The name of the company is to be the Te Puke Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Te Puke.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at the National Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Tauranga.

8157. LAWRENCE MARKEY.—19 acres 1 rood, parts of Rural Section 10201, Kowai Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8159. JAMES CAMPBELL.—201 acres 1 rood 1 perch, part of Rural Section 3753, Otaio and Patiti Survey Districts. Occupied by Applicant.

8161. WILLIAM GRANT.—106 acres 3 roods 37 perches, Lot 1A, Plan 656, part of Rural Section 7458, Arowhenua Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8162. EFFIEGENIA MARIA LOUISA STUDHOLME.—334 acres 3 roods 26 perches, parts of Rural Sections 10056 and 10404, Waimate Survey District. Occupied by M. and J. Frost, Simon Green, David Hore, Michael McGoverin, and W. J. Hardie, and the Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

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

G. G. BRIDGES,

District Land Registrar.

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APPLICATION having been made to me to register a dealing affecting part of Rural Section 319A, situated in the Rangiora Survey District, being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. xxi., folio 198, whereof the Assets Realisation Board is the registered proprietor, and for the issue of a provisional certificate for the balance of the land comprised therein, and proof having been furnished of the loss of the original certificate, I hereby give notice that I will register such dealing and issue such provisional certificate at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

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

G. G. BRIDGES,

District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

WAITOTARA COUNTY COUNCIL.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Waitotara County Council to execute a certain public work—to wit, the construction of a road in the County of Waitotara running through the Native block of land known as Pakaraka No. 1, from the Maxwelltown Road to the southern boundary of the Oamarunui Block, and of a road from the Upper Pakaraka Road to connect with the aforesaid road; and for the purposes of such public work to take, under the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1894," the lands described in the Schedule hereto: And notice is hereby further given that copies of the plans of the said roads and of the lands so required to be taken are deposited at the storehouse of Messrs. A. and D. Brown, at Maxwelltown, in the said county, and are there open for public inspection: And notice is hereby further given that all persons affected shall, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such lands, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Waitotara County Council, at its office in Ridgway Street, Wanganui.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Native Block called	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 11 3 9	Pakaraka No. 1	Nukumaru, Block X., Waitotara County.
1 3 10	"	Ditto.

All in the Land District of Wellington; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plans marked 183—2, 3, and 4 W., deposited in the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Land District of Wellington, and thereon coloured sienna and pink respectively.

Dated this 28th day of October, 1897.

H. E. DYMOCK,

Clerk of the Waitotara County Council.

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NOTICE is hereby given that I, CHARLES ZWIRNMAN BRAUSCH, of Hastings, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, and Colony of New Zealand, carpenter, hitherto known by the name of Charles Brausch or Charles Gottlieb Zwirnman, have assumed the name of Charles Zwirnman Brausch in lieu or substitution of the names of

Charles Brausch and Charles Gottlieb Zwirnman. And that I now do, and at all times hereafter will, in all deeds, writings, dealings, transactions, and documents, and in all legal and other proceedings, affairs, occasions, and matters whatsoever, use the name of Charles Zwirnman Brausch as and for my name, in lieu and substitution of the aforesaid names of Charles Brausch and Charles Gottlieb Zwirnman, as testified by a deed-poll under my hand and seal dated the 15th day of October, 1897, and filed in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, at Napier.

Dated this 15th day of October, 1897.

CHARLES ZWIRNMAN BRAUSCH.

Witness to the signature of Charles Zwirnman Brausch—

GEO. EBBETT,

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Hastings.

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