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Land set apart for Lease as Village-homestead Allotments in the Southland Land District.

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

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-sixty-eighth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the allotments of Crown land respectively described in the Schedule hereto shall be and the same are hereby set apart and declared open for lease as village-homestead allotments.

SCHEDULE.
SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.		
		A.	R.	P.
FLINT'S BUSH TOWNSHIP.				
4	VII.	1	0	38
5	"	1	0	21
HOKONUI DISTRICT.				
<i>Centre Bush Village.</i>				
735	..	21	3	27
<i>Croydon Village.</i>				
751	..	11	1	0
752	..	10	0	23
<i>Longwood Village.</i>				
51	V.	12	0	24
60	"	48	0	2
<i>Pahia Village.</i>				
23	..	6	0	14
24	..	6	0	14

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 seventeenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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Setting apart Land in Taranaki for Leasing as Small Grazing-runs under "The Land Act, 1892."

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

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the one-hundred-and-seventy-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall be subject to the provisions of sections one hundred and seventy-two to one hundred and eighty-six of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," relating to small grazing-runs.

SCHEDULE.
TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—CLIFTON COUNTY.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.		
			A.	R.	P.
8	XII.	Waitara	1,460	0	0
10	"	"	1,203	0	0

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 seventeenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for a Village Settlement in the Wellington Land District.

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

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-sixty-eighth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby pro-

claim and declare that the allotments of Crown land respectively described in the Schedule hereto shall be and the same are hereby set apart and declared open for lease as a village settlement.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HAWAENGA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Area.	Section.	Area.
<i>Village Allotments.</i>			
	A. R. P.		A. R. P.
49	0 1 0	53	0 1 0
50	0 1 0	54	0 2 0
51	0 1 0	55	0 2 0
52	0 1 0	56	0 2 0
<i>Village-homestead Allotments.</i>			
15 and 16	45 0 0	42 and 43	34 2 0
17, 18, and 19	60 0 0	45	24 2 13

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Additional Land taken in the Township of Scarborough for the Purposes of the Wellington-Napier Railway.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Wellington-Napier Railway to take further land in the Township of Scarborough, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Section No.	Situated in the Township of
A. R. P. 2 3 0	35 (school reserve)	Scarborough.

In the Land District of Wellington; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18137, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL those waters in Blocks IV. and V., Katikati Survey District, in the County of Tauranga, known as the Tuapiro Inlet, and the Tuapiro Stream, with its tributaries, and being an affluent of the Tauranga Harbour.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,

For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Lands taken for a Road in Square 152, Oparara Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, the construction of a road in Square 152, Oparara Survey District:

And whereas the Buller County Council has laid before the Governor the memorial, accompanied by a map, required by the said Act:

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

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of Section No.	Situated in	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 32	35	Block XIV., Oparara Survey District	S.G.38006	Yellow.
0 2 36	36	Ditto	"	"
0 2 36	37	"	"	"
0 2 36	38	"	"	Red.
1 3 8	39	"	"	Brown.
0 1 5	42	"	"	Green.
1 1 15	44	"	"	"
0 2 36	45	"	"	"

In the Nelson Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above noted.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,

For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for Road Purposes, Section 161, Parish of Horotiu.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and its amendments, for road purposes in the Parish of Horotiu:

And whereas the Newcastle Road Board has laid before the Governor a memorial, accompanied by a map, required by the said Act:

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in the Parish of	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 3 7.5	161	Horotiu ..	Red.

In the Auckland Land District; as the said parcel of land is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 29665A, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

Given under the hand of His Excellency 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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road to Landing, Horotiu Parish.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and its amendments, for road purposes:

And whereas the Newcastle Road Board has laid before the Governor a memorial, accompanied by a map, required by the said Act:

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in the Parish of	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 3 30	53	Horotiu ..	Red.

In the Auckland Land District; as the said parcel of land is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G.

29665, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

Given under the hand of His Excellency 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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road in the Parish of Pukete.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and its amendments, for road purposes in the Parish of Pukete:

And whereas the Newcastle Road Board has laid before the Governor a memorial, accompanied by a map, required by the said Act:

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in the Parish of	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 3 11	Section No. 110	Pukete ..	Red.

In the Auckland Land District; as the said parcel of land is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 29705, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

Given under the hand of His Excellency 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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

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

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

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

OPANAKE BLOCK.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks III. and VII., Kaihu Survey District, containing by admeasurement 2,508 acres 1 rood 36 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east generally by the Opanake No. 1 and Waimata Blocks; towards the south-west by the Kaihu No. 2 Block and by the Kaihu River; and towards the north-west by the Opanake No. 2^m Block: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 37807, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

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(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

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Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

UPPER MAKOHINE LOAN BLOCK.

ALL that area, situated in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 14,201 acres, more or less, and comprised in the following sections: Nos. 26 and 27 of Block IV.; Sections Nos. 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, and 29 of Block VIII., Tiriraukawa Survey District: Section No. 1 of Block I.; Sections Nos. 1 to 15, inclusive, of Block V.; Sections Nos. 2, 11, 12, and 13 of Block VI.; Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, and 11 of Block IX.; and Section No. 38 of Block X., Hautapu Survey District: as the same are delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 37800, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the

purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

MAMAKU BLOCK.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks IX., X., XIII., and XIV., Rotorua Survey District, containing by admeasurement 7,684 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by Sections Nos. 5a and 5 of the Subdivision of the Maraeroa-Oturoa Block and by the Waiteti No. 2 Block; towards the east by the Okohiriki No. 2c Block; towards the south-east generally by a road and timber reserve, 15 chains wide, running along the northern side of the Putaruru-Rotorua Railway, by the said railway, by a village reserve, and again by the said railway; and towards the north-west by the Whaiti-Kuranui Blocks, north portion of No. 1a No. 2b, eastern portion of No. 2c No. 1, and eastern portion of No. 2c: as the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 36856, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

UMURUA BLOCK.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks XIII. and XIV., Rotorua Survey District, containing by admeasurement 4,866 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by the Putaruru-Rotorua Railway, by a road and timber reserve 15 chains wide running along the southern side of that railway, by a village reserve, and again by the said road and timber reserve; towards the east by the eastern boundary of Block XIV., Rotorua Survey District; towards the south-east generally by Crown land, formerly known as the Okohiriki No. 1d No. 6a and Okohiriki No. 1d No. 4 Blocks; towards the south by the southern boundary of Rotorua Survey District; and towards the north-west by the Whaiti-Kuranui Blocks No. 1c, No. 1ax, and north portion No. 1a: as the said area is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 36863, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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 first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Terms and Conditions of Lease of a Village-homestead Allotment in Canterbury.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this seventeenth day of March, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMATE SURVEY DISTRICT.—WAIMATE COUNTY.

Village-homestead Allotment, Nukuroa Village Settlement. First-class Land.

Section.	Reserve.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity:	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
17	1128	XVI.	A. R. P. 10 0 0	£ s. d. 0 10 0	£ s. d. 2 10 0

This section is situated in the northern portion of the Nukuroa Village Settlement, about three miles southward from the Studholme Junction Railway-station, and comprises flat agricultural land of good quality, intersected by two small gullies. The section is weighted with a sum of £6 17s. 6d., being valuation for improvements, consisting of boundary and internal fencing, which sum must be paid on allotment in addition to the usual deposit and fees.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

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

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 25th day of May, 1898.

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

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

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

6. Each applicant shall also undertake to pay the first half-year's rent, the valuation for improvements, together with the lease and registration fee, immediately upon being declared the successful applicant.

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

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

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

10. No lessee shall hold more than an area of 50 acres in the Nukuroa Village Settlement, and such area shall be held for his or her sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this nineteenth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

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

WANGANUI COUNTY.—MAKOTUKU SURVEY DISTRICT.—RAETHI VILLAGE.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
250	8 0 33	4 9-6	0 19 8
255)			
256)	16 2 2	4 9-6	1 19 8
275)			
276)	12 2 38	4 9-6	1 10 8
277)			
278)	15 0 27	4 0	1 10 5
280)			
279)	9 3 34	5 7-2	1 7 10
281)			
282)	10 1 16	3 7-2	0 18 8
284)			
285)	12 3 13	4 9-6	1 10 10
287)			

RANGITIKEI COUNTY.—TAIHAPE VILLAGE.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
16	73 2 0	1 7-2	2 18 10
17	38 3 0	1 7-2	1 11 0
20	34 0 20	1 7-2	1 7 4
23	12 2 0	4 0	1 5 0
24	6 2 0	4 9-6	0 15 8
27	15 0 8	4 0	1 10 2
28	10 1 30	4 9-6	1 5 1

SECOND SCHEDULE.

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

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 25th day of May, 1898.

3. The rentals stated above shall be the price at which the lands shall be open for selection.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

J. F. ANDREWS,
Acting-Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this nineteenth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD ALLOTMENTS.
First-class Land.

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

FLINT'S BUSH TOWNSHIP.

		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
4	VII.	1 0 38	4 8	0 3 0
5	"	1 0 21	4 8	0 2 9

This township is situated about two miles and a half from Thornbury Railway-station. Open land; soil fair. Limit of holding, 5 acres.

HOKONUI DISTRICT.

Centre Bush Village.

735	..	21 3 27	1 7·2	0 17 6
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Situated about one mile and a half from Centre Bush Railway-station. Soil fair; bush light. Weighted with £130 as valuation for improvements. Limit of holding in this village, one allotment.

Croydon Village.

751	..	11 1 0	1 7·2	0 9 0
752	..	10 0 23	1 7·2	0 8 2

About four miles from Gore. Undulating bush land; soil fair; well watered. Limit of holding in this village, one allotment. Section 751 is weighted with £55 as valuation for improvements.

Longwood Village.

51	V.	12 0 24	0 9·6	0 4 11
60	"	48 0 2	0 9·6	0 19 3

Distance from Pahia Village, three miles. Soil peaty; bush land. Limit of holding in this village, 100 acres. Weighted with valuation for improvements: Section 51, £39; Section 60, £31 10s.

Pahia Village.

23	..	6 0 14	0 4·8	0 1 3
24	..	6 0 14	0 4·8	0 1 3

Situated about fourteen miles from Riverton, and half a mile from Pahia Railway-station. Limit of holding in this village, 20 acres.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

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

2. The day on which the lands shall be open for selection shall be Thursday, the 26th day of May, 1898.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. No lessee shall hold more than the limit stated in the First Schedule, including that already held, and all allotments shall be held for his or her sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.

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

J. F. ANDREWS,
Acting-Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

JAMES HARGREAVES,
JOHN WILLIAM JONES,
JOHN KENNEDY,
JAMES MARSHALL,
GEORGE CRESSEY,
GUSTAV HAHNN, and
ARTHUR DUNN

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the first Saturday in each month, at seven o'clock p.m., at the Courthouse, Ahaura, 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 seventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

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

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

4. The members of the Board shall, at their first meeting, and thereafter at an annual meeting to be held on the first 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 vote. The Chairman shall hold office until the election of his successor.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement 100 acres, more or less, being Section No. 12, Block I., Ahaura Survey District, and Section No. 30, Block XIII., Mawheraiti Survey District. Bounded on the northward by a public road, 1305 links; on the north-eastward by Crown lands, 4275 links; on the south-eastward by a public road, 427 and 3483 links; and on the west by a public road, 2720, 2853, 294, 509, 190, 224, and 136 links respectively.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the twelfth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, under the authority of section one hundred and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided by clause ten of the regulations that no lessee should hold more than one allotment:

And whereas it is expedient to amend the area that may be acquired by a lessee of lands in the Feldwick Township Village Settlement:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Feldwick Township Village Settlement shall be held, and doth declare that, on and after the date hereof, any lessee may acquire one allotment or multiple of allotments not exceeding six acres in extent; and it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the twelfth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, aforesaid, shall apply, except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Feldwick Township Village Settlement aforesaid.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing J. A. Anderson to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Otago Harbour.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned, John A. Anderson, of Port Chalmers (hereinafter called "the licensee"), has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), to occupy a part of the foreshore in order to erect and maintain thereon a boatshed in Deborah Bay, Otago Harbour; and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited a plan in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2185), showing the place in the said bay where it is intended to erect such boatshed, and the area of foreshore intended to be occupied for such purpose: And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that the proposed work will not be or tend to the injury of navigation; and the said plan has, prior to the making of this Order in Council, been approved by the Governor in Council: And whereas it is expedient that a license under the said Act, for the purpose aforesaid, should be granted and issued to the licensee on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

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

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

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore shown on the said plan marked M.D. 2185.

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

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

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

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

7. In case the licensee shall—

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing Trustees for the Kawatiri Rowing Club to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Westport Harbour.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned, the Kawatiri Rowing Club, of Westport (hereinafter called "the club"), has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), to occupy a part of the foreshore in Westport Harbour in order to erect and maintain thereon a boatshed; and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited a plan in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2176) showing the place where it is intended to erect such boatshed, the area of foreshore to be occupied for such purpose, and the manner in which it is proposed to erect the boatshed: And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that the proposed work will not be or tend to the injury of navigation; and the said plan has, prior to the making of this Order in Council, been approved by the Governor in Council without modification or addition: And whereas it is expedient that a license under the said Act,

for the purpose aforesaid, should be granted and issued to John Marris, of Westport, Sawmiller, James Suisted, of Westport, Butcher, and Charles Edward Harden, of Westport, Solicitor, as trustees for the club, on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby approve of the purpose or object for which the said license is required by the club as aforesaid; and, in further pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby license and permit the said trustees for the club to use and occupy that part of the foreshore which is particularly shown and delineated in red colour on the plan marked M.D. 2176, so deposited as aforesaid, for the purpose of constructing or erecting thereon a boatshed, such license to be held and enjoyed by the said trustees for the club upon and subject to the following terms and conditions, that is to say:—

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

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore necessary for the erection of such boatshed, which is shown, coloured red, on the plan marked M.D. 2176, and deposited in the office of the Marine Department as aforesaid.

3. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the said trustees for the club shall, on demand being made, pay to the Minister an annual sum of one shilling, dating from the day of the date of this Order in Council.

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

5. The said trustees for the club shall complete the erection of the said boatshed in accordance with the approved plan marked M.D. 2176, within six calendar months from the date of this Order in Council.

6. The said trustees for the club shall maintain the above-mentioned boatshed in good order and repair.

7. Any person authorised by the Minister may, at all reasonable times, enter upon the said boatshed and view the state of repairs thereof; and upon such Minister leaving at or posting to the last-known address of the said trustees for the club or either of them a notice in writing of any defect or want of repair in such boatshed, requiring them, within a reasonable time, to be therein prescribed, to make good the same, they shall with all convenient speed cause such defect to be removed or such repairs to be made, as the case may be.

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

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

10. The said rights, powers, and privileges may at any time be resumed by the Governor, without payment of any compensation whatever, on giving to the said trustees for the club one calendar month's previous notice in writing. Any such notice shall be sufficient if given by the Minister, and delivered at or posted to the last known address of the said trustees for the club or either of them.

11. The said trustees for the club shall be liable for any injury which the said boatshed may cause any vessel or boat to sustain through any default or neglect on their part, or the part of the club.

12. In case the said trustees for the club shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said boatshed for the purposes aforesaid; or
- (3.) In case the club be in any manner wound up or dissolved,

then and in either of the said cases this Order in Council,

and every license, right, power, or privilege thereby conferred, may be revoked and determined by the Governor in Council without any notice to the said trustees for the club or other proceeding whatsoever; and publication in the *New Zealand Gazette* of an Order in Council containing such revocation shall be sufficient notice to the said trustees and to the club, and to all persons concerned or interested, that this Order in Council, and the license, rights, and privileges thereby granted and conferred, have been revoked and determined.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Revoking Order in Council licensing Trustees for Kawatiri Rowing Club to occupy a Part of Foreshore of Westport Harbour.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Order in Council dated the nineteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 71, of the twenty-first day of the same month, His Excellency the Governor in Council did, in pursuance of the provisions of "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883," license the trustees of the Kawatiri Rowing Club to use and occupy a part of the foreshore of Westport Harbour for the purpose of erecting and maintaining thereon a boatshed in the position shown on plan marked M.D. 1667, and deposited in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington:

And whereas the said trustees have applied to the Governor in Council for the cancellation of the said license:

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 all the powers enabling him in that behalf, doth hereby revoke and determine the said recited Order in Council, and every right, power, and privilege conferred thereby or intended so to be.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting Reserves in the Geraldine Road Board.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was permanently set aside as gravel reserves on the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient that the said land should be vested in the Geraldine Road Board:

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 reserves mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in "The Inhabitants of the Geraldine Road District," in trust, as gravel reserves.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre, more or less, being Reserve No. 3226, Block XVI., Ophi Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 19, Rakitairi Settlements, 802.2 links; towards the east by public road, 200.5 links; towards the south-east by public road, 735.5 links; and towards the west by Section No. 19, Rakitairi Settlement, 113.2 links. The northernmost corner is situated southerly 924.6 links from the junction of roads at the north-eastern corner of the said Section No. 19. 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.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre, more or less, being Reserve No. 3227, Block XI., Ophi Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 15, Rakitairi Settlement, 500 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 15, Rakitairi Settlement, 200 links; towards the south-west by public road, 500 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 15, Rakitairi Settlement, 200 links. The

southernmost corner is situated north-westerly 280.1 links from the junction of Miller's Road. 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.

Vesting a Reserve in the Temuka Road Board.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient that the said land should be vested in the Temuka Road Board:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise 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 Inhabitants of the Temuka Road District," in trust, as a gravel reserve.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 3 roods 22 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 3225, Block XVI., Ophi Survey District. Commencing at the westernmost corner of Rural Section 19010; thence in a north-easterly direction, 737 links; thence at right angles westerly, 500 links; thence at right angles southerly, 337 links; thence at right angles easterly, 450 links; thence at right angles southerly, 400 links, and returning to the starting-point along the road, 50 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.

Vesting Reserves in the Mount Hutt Road Board.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto were permanently set apart as gravel reserves on the twenty-seventh day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient that the said lands should be vested in the Mount Hutt Road Board:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise 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 reserves mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in "The Inhabitants of the Mount Hutt Road District," in trust, as gravel reserves.

SCHEDULE.

Reserve No.	Block.	District.	Area.	Purpose.
3193	IV.	Spaxton ..	Acres. 2	Gravel reserve.
3194	"	" ..	2	
3195	I.	Corwar ..	2	
3196	"	" ..	3	
3197	"	" ..	2	
3200	II.	" ..	2	
3201	"	" ..	2	
3202	"	" ..	2	
3203	"	" ..	2	
3204	"	" ..	2	

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of sale, the block or parcel of land known as Whakaware Reserve No. 1, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing ten acres, more or less, and being the land comprised in an order of the Native Land Court, dated the twentieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in favour of Kewetone Papaka and Rere-moana Tohikura.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of sale, the block or parcel of land known as Tokanui A, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing four hundred and fifty-seven acres, more or less, being the

land comprised in an order of the Native Land Court, dated the twenty-ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, in favour of Makareti Hinewai.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extending Time for Reception of Application for Relief by Validation Court.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE A. J. CADMAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section sixteen of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1896," as amended by section two of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1897," it is enacted that no application under the provisions of "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," shall be received after the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six; provided that the Governor in Council may, on sufficient cause to his satisfaction being shown for omission to lodge any application within the time thereinbefore specified, extend the time for the reception of such application to any date not later than the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight:

And whereas one Robert Thompson Batley, of Moawhango, in the Provincial District of Wellington, settler, hath applied for an extension of time in which to lodge an application under the provisions of the said "Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," in respect of the land known as Section No. 13e, of Awarua, No. 2c Block, and hath shown sufficient cause, to the Governor's satisfaction, for omission to lodge such application within the time prescribed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities contained in "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1896," and its amendment as aforesaid, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the time for the reception of the said application by the said Robert Thompson Batley, in respect of the land hereinbefore mentioned, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Powers delegated to the East Gore (Gordon) Domain Board under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE A. J. CADMAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

John McGibbon, jun.,
Frederick Wallis,
Andrew Martin,
George Penney,
The Rev. John Alexander Asher,
Alexander Simpson,
William Boyne, and
The Mayor of Gore (*ex officio*)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres, more or less, situate in the Town of East Gore, and being Block XIX. Bounded towards the north-east and south by the Waikaka River; and towards the north-west by the Railway Reserve: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the District Survey Office, Dunedin.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

"The Education Act, 1877."—District High School Fees.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of March, 1898.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE A. J. CADMAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Education Act, 1877," His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the colony, doth hereby make the regulation hereto annexed regarding district high school fees; and, with the like advice and consent, doth hereby prescribe that this Order shall come into force on the date of the first publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

REGULATION.

At district high schools in the Education District of Westland the fee for higher education within the meaning of section 56 of "The Education Act, 1877," shall be eight pounds a year.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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 twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, 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. — WHANGAREI COUNTY. — MANGA-KAHIA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Total Upset Price.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
16	XII.	6 2 16	7 0 0
17	"	13 3 8	14 0 0
18	"	9 0 0	9 0 0
19	"	12 0 0	12 0 0

Residence-sites near the Bridge Reserve.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Wellington 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 Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto following the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
Raetihi Township.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
*65	III.	0 1 0	25 0 0
84	VI.	0 1 0	7 10 0
85	"	0 1 0	7 10 0
86	"	0 1 0	7 10 0
87	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
88	"	0 1 0	12 10 0
89	"	0 0 32	20 0 0
90	"	0 0 32	25 0 0
92	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
93	"	0 1 0	9 0 0
94	"	0 1 0	9 0 0
96	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
97	"	0 1 0	12 10 0
98	X.	0 1 0	12 10 0
99	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
100	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
101	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
102	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
103	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
104	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
105	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
108	"	0 1 0	12 10 0
110	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
111	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
112	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
113	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
115	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
116	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
117	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
118	XI.	0 1 0	8 0 0
119	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
120	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
121	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
122	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
123	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
124	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
125	"	0 1 0	7 0 0
126	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
127	"	0 1 0	12 10 0
128	"	0 1 0	7 10 0
129	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
130	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
131	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
132	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
133	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
134	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
135	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
136	"	0 1 0	6 0 0
138	VII.	0 1 0	12 10 0
140	"	0 1 0	9 0 0
141	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
142	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
144	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
145	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
146	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
149	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
151	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
152	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
153	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
155	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
156	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
157	"	0 1 0	7 10 0
159	VIII.	0 1 0	10 0 0
160	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
161	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
162	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
163	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
164	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
165	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
166	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
168	"	0 1 0	8 0 0

* Weighted with £ 8 for improvements.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
169	VIII.	0 1 0	10 0 0
171	"	0 1 10	7 10 0
172	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
174	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
175	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
176	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
177	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
178	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
179	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
180	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
181	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
182	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
183	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
184	"	0 1 0	7 10 0
185	XIII.	1 0 0	25 0 0
186	"	1 0 0	20 0 0
190	"	1 0 0	25 0 0
196	XII.	1 0 0	25 0 0
203	"	1 0 0	25 0 0
204	"	1 0 0	20 0 0
212	V.	0 1 0	12 10 0
213	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
215	"	0 1 0	9 0 0
216	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
218	"	0 1 0	8 0 0
220	"	0 1 0	9 0 0
221	"	0 1 0	12 10 0
227	IX.	0 1 0	15 0 0
228	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
229	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
231	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
232	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
233	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
235	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
236	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
238	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
239	"	0 1 0	10 0 0
240	"	0 1 0	12 10 0

Raetihi Suburbs.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
187	1 0 0	15 0 0	249	3 1 12	20 0 0
188	1 0 0	12 10 0	252	4 2 0	33 15 0
189	1 2 28	20 0 0	253	4 2 0	27 0 0
193	1 0 0	12 10 0	254	5 0 27	26 0 0
194	1 0 0	10 0 0	257	1 0 0	30 0 0
195	1 2 11	15 10 0	258	1 0 32	20 0 0
198	1 0 0	15 0 0	260	1 0 0	20 0 0
199	1 0 0	12 10 0	261	1 0 0	20 0 0
200	1 0 0	10 0 0	262	1 0 0	30 0 0
201	1 0 0	10 0 0	263	1 0 0	20 0 0
205	1 0 0	15 0 0	264	1 0 0	20 0 0
207	1 0 0	10 0 0	265	0 3 34	20 0 0
208	1 0 0	9 0 0	266	1 0 0	20 0 0
241	1 0 0	25 0 0	267	1 0 0	20 0 0
242	1 0 0	20 0 0	268	1 0 0	20 0 0
243	1 0 0	17 10 0	269	0 3 27	20 0 0
245	1 0 0	15 0 0	270	0 3 27	20 0 0
246	1 0 0	12 10 0	272	1 0 0	20 0 0
247	1 0 0	10 0 0	273	1 0 0	20 0 0
248	2 3 31	17 10 0	274	1 1 14	26 15 0

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

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 twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, 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.

Punakitere Survey District, Bay of Islands County.—Section 1, Block IV.: 5 acres; total upset price, £5; open land; two miles from Kaikohe.

Mareretu Parish, Otamatea County.—Section 204A: 12 acres

2 roods; total upset price, £9 7s. 6d.; open land; adjoining school-site, Mareretu.

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

JOHN McKENZIE, Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Wellington 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 Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, 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 opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price per Section.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price per Section.
<i>Taihape Township.</i>					
Block I.			Block XI.		
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
11	0 1 0	20 0 0	1	0 1 0	7 10 0
12	0 1 0	12 10 0	2	0 1 0	7 10 0
15	0 1 0	9 0 0	3	0 1 0	7 10 0
16	0 1 0	9 0 0	4	0 1 0	7 10 0
17	0 1 0	8 0 0	5	0 1 28	20 0 0
18	0 1 0	8 0 0	Block XII.		
19	0 1 0	8 0 0	1	0 1 0	10 0 0
20	0 1 0	10 0 0	2	0 1 0	7 10 0
Block II.			3	0 1 0	7 10 0
9	0 3 3	18 0 0	5	0 1 0	10 0 0
11	0 3 19	20 0 0	6	0 1 0	7 10 0
12	0 3 25	20 0 0	8	0 1 0	7 10 0
13	0 2 32	15 0 0	9	0 1 0	15 0 0
14	0 2 2	20 0 0	10	0 1 0	12 10 0
15	0 2 0	15 0 0	11	0 1 0	12 10 0
17	0 2 0	15 0 0	12	0 1 0	12 10 0
18	0 2 0	15 0 0	13	0 1 0	15 0 0
19	0 2 0	15 0 0	Block XIII.		
20	0 1 20	12 10 0	1	0 1 16	7 10 0
Block III.			2	0 1 13	7 10 0
5	0 1 0	30 10 0	3	0 1 11	7 0 0
6	0 1 0	35 10 0	4	0 1 10	7 0 0
Block IV.			5	0 1 10	7 0 0
7	0 1 8	15 0 0	6	0 1 11	7 0 0
9	0 1 8	10 0 0	7	0 1 11	7 0 0
10	0 1 8	10 0 0	8	0 2 24	17 10 0
11	0 1 8	10 0 0	10	0 3 27	18 7 6
12	0 1 8	7 10 0	11	1 0 22	22 15 0
13	0 1 8	7 10 0	12	0 1 0	10 0 0
14	0 1 8	7 10 0	13	0 1 0	10 0 0
15	0 1 8	7 10 0	Block XIV.		
17	0 1 8	10 0 0	2	0 1 0	7 10 0
18	0 1 8	10 0 0	3	0 1 0	7 10 0
19	0 1 8	10 0 0	4	0 1 1	7 10 0
20	0 1 8	10 0 0	6	0 2 32	15 0 0
Block V.			7	0 2 30	15 0 0
2*	0 1 0	25 0 0	8	1 0 20	22 10 0
Block VI.			9	1 3 35	39 7 6
6	0 1 0	10 0 0	10	2 0 0	40 0 0
8	0 1 0	7 10 0	11	0 3 19	20 0 0
9	0 1 0	7 10 0	12	0 0 34	8 0 0
10	0 1 0	7 10 0	13	0 1 0	7 10 0
11	0 1 0	7 10 0	14	0 1 0	7 10 0
12	0 1 0	10 0 0	15	0 1 0	8 0 0
13	0 1 0	10 0 0	16	0 1 0	9 0 0
14	0 1 0	10 0 0	17	0 1 0	10 0 0
16	0 1 0	7 10 0	19	0 1 0	12 10 0
17	0 1 0	7 10 0	20	0 1 0	15 0 0
18	0 1 0	7 10 0	Block XV.		
19	0 1 0	10 0 0	1	0 1 5	9 0 0
Block VII.			2	0 1 7	7 10 0
6	0 1 0	10 0 0	3	0 1 10	7 10 0
7	0 1 0	10 0 0	4	0 1 13	7 10 0
8	0 1 0	10 0 0	5	0 1 16	7 10 0
9	0 1 0	7 10 0	7	0 1 23	7 10 0
11	0 1 0	7 10 0	8	0 1 25	7 10 0
12	0 1 0	10 0 0	9	0 1 26	7 10 0
13	0 1 0	10 0 0	10	0 1 0	10 0 0
15	0 1 0	7 10 0	11	0 1 0	7 10 0
16	0 1 0	7 10 0	13	0 1 0	7 10 0
17	0 1 0	7 10 0	14	0 1 32	10 0 0
18	0 1 0	7 10 0	15	0 1 0	7 10 0
19	0 1 0	10 0 0	17	0 1 0	7 10 0
			18	0 1 0	7 10 0

* Weighted with £6 10s. for improvements.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price per Section.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price per Section.
<i>Taihape Township—continued.</i>					
Block XV.— <i>continued.</i>			Block XVI.— <i>continued.</i>		
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
20	0 1 0	10 0 0	12	0 1 0	7 10 0
21	0 1 8	7 10 0	14	0 1 0	7 10 0
22	0 1 8	7 10 0	16	0 1 0	7 10 0
23	0 1 2	7 10 0	17	0 1 0	7 10 0
24	0 1 0	7 10 0	18	0 1 0	7 10 0
			19	0 1 0	10 0 0
Block XVII.			Block XVII.		
1	0 1 10	8 0 0	1	0 1 21	7 10 0
2	0 1 0	6 0 0	3	0 1 8	7 10 0
3	0 1 0	6 0 0	4	0 1 8	7 10 0
4	0 1 0	6 0 0	5	0 1 8	7 10 0
5	0 1 0	6 0 0	6	0 1 8	7 10 0
6	0 1 0	6 0 0			
7	0 1 0	6 0 0	Block XVIII.		
8	0 1 0	6 0 0	1	0 3 25	20 0 0
10	0 1 26	10 0 0	3	1 0 0	20 0 0
11	0 1 0	7 10 0	4	0 3 8	16 0 0
<i>Taihape Suburbs.</i>					
18	16 0 20	48 7 6	31	1 1 7	12 18 9
21	25 2 30	51 7 6	32	5 0 0	25 0 0
22	11 2 10	57 16 0	33	5 0 0	25 0 0
25	5 0 15	30 11 3	34	3 3 19	19 7 0
26	5 0 0	30 0 0	36	4 1 10	25 17 6
29	2 0 15	14 13 2	37	5 0 13	35 11 5
30	1 3 1	14 1 0			

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Wellington for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Total Upset Price.
<i>Mount Robinson Survey District.</i>			
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
3A	IV.	58 2 10	175 13 9
<i>Kairanga Survey District.</i>			
86	XIII.	3 3 38	59 16 3

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the Governor may declare his intention to make, change, exchange, or alter the dedication of any public reserve now or hereafter vested in Her Majesty or the Governor for any of the purposes named in Class II. of the Schedule to the said Act, whether the same be granted or not; and in the case of any reserve made under the authority of section one hundred and forty-four of "The Land Act, 1877," if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to change the purpose of such reserve or any part thereof from the purpose or presumed purpose for which it was set apart to any other purpose, or if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be

expedient to exchange any of the land comprised in such reserve for other land of equal value, to be dedicated to one or more purposes named in the said Class II., the Governor may, by notice gazetted, make such change, exchange, or dedication, as the case may be, and in such notice declare the manner and terms in which the same is intended to be so made:

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

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Original Reserve.	Intended Purpose.
All that parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 34 perches, being Section No. 5, Block VI., Township of Waiau. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 4; towards the north-east by Clarence Street; towards the south-east by Section No. 6; and towards the south-west by Section No. 1: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Nelson. Reserved by warrant of the 2nd day of March, 1894, published in <i>Gazette</i> No. 19, of the 8th March, 1894, for public utility.	For a site for a pound.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Animals Protection Acts.—Declaring Reserve for Native and Imported Game, Wellington.

RANFURLY, Governor.

PURSUANT to the powers conferred on him by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand doth hereby notify that neither imported nor native game, and no native birds of any kind whatsoever, shall be taken or killed within that portion of the Wellington Acclimatisation District being the northern portion of the Wainui Forest Reserve, near Paraparaumu, and more particularly described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, situated near Paraparaumu, in the Akatarawa Survey District, bounded towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 12 and 13, Block I., Akatarawa Survey District; towards the south generally by a right line from the south-western corner of the last-mentioned section to Trig. Station, Maunganui; thence by a right line to the Maungakotukutuku Stream, at the south-eastern corner of Section No. 93, Block II., Paikakariki Survey District; and thence towards the north-west generally by the Maungakotukutuku Stream aforesaid to Section No. 12 aforesaid.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES.

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 sixteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, 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 on the alienation of the said land are hereby removed.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 100 acres, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, known as Allotment 316, Parish of Whangamarino, held under Crown grant dated 16th February, 1881, in favour of Ngahina Ngawharau, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by gift, sale, lease, or mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor being previously obtained to any such gift, sale, lease, or mortgage."

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Native Minister.

Amending the Purpose and Description of a Reserve in the Nelson Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the two-hundred-and-thirty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any notification of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notifications in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description: And whereas an error was made in the purpose and description of Section 2, Block XIII., Waiau Survey District, Nelson Land District, which was wrongly described as Section 22, Block XXI., Town of Waiau, and reserved for public utility instead of a public cemetery, in the warrant of the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 19, of the eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and it is expedient to cancel the said notification in so far as it relates to Section 22, Block XXI., Town of Waiau aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the warrant of the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, in so far as it relates to Section 22, Block XXI., Town of Waiau; and do declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be reserved for a public cemetery, and is the land intended by the said notification.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Section No. 2, Block XIII., Waiau Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Clarence Street; towards the east by Section No. 3 of same block; towards the south by Section No. 1 of same block; and towards the west by Parnassus Street, Town of Waiau: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Nelson.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland and Canterbury.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being part of Section No. 191A of the Parish of Waiotahi, containing by admeasurement 7 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north and east by a road running along the shore of Ohiwa Harbour, 155, 210, 280, 220, 360, and 280 links; towards the south by a public road, 185, 500, and 390 links; and towards the west by a public road, 640, 305, and 130 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. For a public-school site.

CANTERBURY.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 268 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 3242, in red, Blocks III., IV., VII., and VIII., Nimrod Survey District. Bounded on the north-west by Rural Section No. 36503, 4578.5 links; towards the north generally by Rural Section No. 4231, 1931.7 links, a stream, Rural Section No. 32052, 1583.7 links, and the White Rock River; towards the south-east by Rural Sections Nos. 27211, 21939, 30849, and a road-line, 7663 links; and towards the south-west by Rural Section No. 36220, 2300 links, and the White Rock River: 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. For the preservation of native fauna and flora.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Wellington Acclimatisation District, consisting of the Counties of Hutt, Wairarapa North, Wairarapa South, Pahiatua, Horowhenua, KIWITEA, Oroua, Pohangina, Manawatu, and Rangitikei, together with all town districts and boroughs therein, and that hares may be taken or killed within the said district, excepting therefrom the County of Pahiatua, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wellington, and the Postmasters at Palmerston North, Feilding, Sandon, Ashurst, Woodville, Pahiatua, Eketahuna, Masterton, Carterton, Greytown, Martinborough, Featherston, Upper Hutt, Lower Hutt, Foxton, Otaki, Bull's, Hunterville, and Marton are hereby appointed to issue and sign such licenses.

And I do further declare that Native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, crested grebe, paradise ducks, and blue mountain ducks, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both days inclusive.

Provided that neither native nor imported game shall be taken or killed within that portion of Wainui Forest Reserve, near Paraparaumu, Akatarawa Survey District, described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 24, of the seventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, or within the area known as the "mallard district," near Martinborough, in the County of Wairarapa South, described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 25, of the ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of

the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Taranaki District, consisting of the Counties of Taranaki, Clifton, and Stratford (excepting therefrom the reserve known as Mount Egmont Forest Reserve, being the area included within the circumference of a circle having a radius of six miles from the summit of the said Mount Egmont), from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and the Chief Postmaster at New Plymouth, and the Postmasters at Stratford, Inglewood, Waitara, and Opunake, are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the said district, excepting therefrom the aforesaid Mount Egmont Forest Reserve, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both days inclusive.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that quail may be taken or killed within the Nelson District, consisting of the Counties of Waimea and Collingwood, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Nelson is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and quail may be taken or killed within the Hawera District, consisting of the Counties of Hawera and Patea, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Postmasters at Hawera and Patea are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants may be taken or killed within the Whangarei District, consisting of the Counties of Whangarei, Hobson, and Otamatea, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings and sixpence each; and the Postmasters at Whangarei, Waipu, Hikurangi, Mangaturoto, Paparoa, Pahi, Matakohe, Dargaville, Te Kopuru, Aratapu, and Tokatoka are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Bay of Islands District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and quail may be taken or killed within the Bay of Islands District, consisting of the Counties of Bay of Islands, Hokianga, Whangaroa, and Mongonui, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Postmasters at Rawene, Whangaroa, Kaitaia, Russell, Kohuhu, Kaikohe, Kawakawa, Mongonui, and Ohaeawai are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Hawke's Bay District, consisting of the Counties of Hawke's Bay, Patangata, Waipawa, Wairoa, and Taupo East, together with all the town districts and boroughs therein, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject nevertheless to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Napier, and the Postmasters at Waipawa, Woodville, Wairoa, Dannevirke, Hastings, Mohaka, Waipukurau, Norsewood, Ormondville, Porangahau, Wimbledon, and Taupo, are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed

within the above-mentioned district from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both days inclusive.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Tauranga District, consisting of the Counties of Tauranga and Whakatane, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Postmasters at Tauranga and Opoiki are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

Shooting Season for Native Game, Kaikoura.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the County of Kaikoura, except on the Lyell Creek, County of Kaikoura, between Lyell Bridge and the sea, from the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both days inclusive; and I do further notify that licenses to sell such native game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Postmaster at Kaikoura is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Cook County District, consisting of the Counties of Cook and Waipatu, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each; and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Gisborne is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and quail may be taken or killed within the Wanganui District, consisting of the Counties of Wanganui and Waitotara, from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject nevertheless to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wanganui, and the Postmasters at Waverley and Waitotara, are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that Californian quail and hares may be taken or killed within the Marlborough District, consisting of the Counties of Marlborough and Sounds (except in the Wairau Lagoons and Lake Grassmere), from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject nevertheless to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Blenheim is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further notify that native game, excepting native pigeon, tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the said district (except in the Wairau Lagoons and Lake Grassmere) during the period between the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive.

And I do also notify that native pigeon may be taken or killed within the said district from the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian and Australian quail may be taken or killed within the Auckland District—consisting of the Counties of

Rodney, Waitemata, Eden, Manukau, Coromandel, Thames, Ohinemuri, Raglan, Waikato, Waipa, Piako, Rotorna, Kawhia, and Taupo West; excepting the islands known as the Little Barrier and the Hen and Chickens, and that portion of the Lake Road District, County of Waitemata, bounded on the north by the Wairau Creek from its mouth to the main road from Devonport to Waiwera, on the west by the said road to its junction with the Seaview Road, on the south by that road to the sea, and on the east by the sea to the point of departure—from the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each; and

the Chief Postmasters at Auckland and Thames, and the Postmasters at Cambridge, Dargaville, Mercer, Papakura, and Pukekohe, are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER.

Rural Lands in the Taranaki 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-fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight; 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.

TARANAKI 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.

				A.		R.		P.		S.		D.		£		S.		D.		£		S.		D.			
Clifton	Mimi	4	IV.	115	0	0	33	6	19	192	14	4	1	8	1	4	16	5	1	4	3	17	2				
Weighted with £34, valuation for improvements, which must be paid on application. 36½ acres in grass, balance forest of rata, tawa, rimu, &c.; partly level and partly hilly pastoral land; fair to good soil; accessible by river. Distance from Urenui, about twenty-five miles, and on route of main road to Mokau.																											
Clifton	Mimi	2	VIII.	87	0	0	32	8	35	142	4	7	1	7	6	3	11	2	1	3	6	2	17	0			
Thirty acres in grass, balance forest of rimu, rata, matai, &c.; partly level and partly hilly pastoral land; soil fair. Access by Mokau Road, and distant from Urenui about twenty-three miles.																											
Clifton	Mimi	4	VIII.	100	0	0	38	3	57	191	9	9	1	10	9	4	15	9	1	6	1	3	16	8			
Thirty-six acres in grass, balance forest of rata, tawa, rimu, &c.; partly level and partly hilly pastoral land; soil fair to good. Access by Mokau Road, and distant from Urenui about twenty-three miles.																											
Stratford	Ngatimaru	25	IX.	80	0	0	27	7	22	110	6	6	1	4	5	2	15	2	1	1	2	2	4	2			
Seventeen acres and three-quarters in grass, balance forest comprising tawa, &c.; undulating land, well watered; soil good. Access by Douglas Road, and about eighteen miles from Stratford.																											
Stratford	Ngatimaru	23	X.	11	2	0	67	8	69	38	18	10	3	4	5	0	19	6	2	8	5	0	15	7			
Weighted with £15, valuation for improvements, which must be paid with application. All in grass; undulating land, well watered, pastoral. Frontage to Ohura Road, and within a mile of Strathmore Township.																											
Clifton	Mimi	11	VIII.	232	0	0	20	0		282	0	0	1	0		7	1	0	0	9	6	5	12	10			
Hilly and undulating agricultural forest land; timber comprises rata, tawa, maire, rimu, totara, kahikatea, &c., dense undergrowth; soil fair to good, well watered. Distant sixteen miles from Mokau by good horse- and dray-road, and twenty-two miles from Urenui by dray-road.																											

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Clifton	Mimi	4	I.	105	0	0	22	0	16	115	11	5	1	1	2	2	17	10	0	10	5	2	6	3			
Twenty acres in grass, balance forest country comprising rata, tawa, rimu, kahikatea, &c., with thick undergrowth; some flat land on the streams, fair slopes and broken birch spurs behind, rising to about 600 ft. Distant from Tongaporutu Township about two miles. Access by 5 ft. bridle-road.																											
Clifton	Mimi	6	IV.	98	0	0	26	0	53	127	12	4	1	3	6	3	3	10	1	0	5	2	11	1			
Twenty-nine acres in grass, balance forest of rimu, rata, tawa, hinau, &c.; hilly and undulating pastoral land; fair soil, well watered. Access by Tongaporutu River, and distant about twenty-four miles from Urenui by dray-road.																											
Clifton	Mimi	16	IV.	93	0	0	17	6		81	7	6	0	10	5	2	0	9	0	8	4	1	12	7			
All forest, consisting of rata, rimu, &c., dense undergrowth; a little good land on Mangahutiwai Stream, remainder being broken spurs covered with black-birch. Access by 5 ft. bridle-road from Tongaporutu Township, about one mile and a quarter.																											
Clifton	Mimi	10	VIII.	245	0	0	17	6		214	7	6	0	10	5	5	7	3	0	8	4	4	5	9			
All forest, comprising rata, rimu, tawa, maire, pukatea, &c.; hilly and undulating pastoral land; soil fair to good, well watered. Distant from Urenui by dray-road twenty-three miles, and by dray- and horse-road from Mokau fifteen miles.																											
Clifton	Waitara	37	XI.	98	0	0	12	6		61	5	0	0	7	5	1	10	8	0	6		1	4	6			
"	"	1	XII.	100	0	0	12	6		62	10	0	0	7	5	1	11	3	0	6		1	5	0			
"	"	5	"	100	0	0	12	6		62	10	0	0	7	5	1	11	3	0	6		1	5	0			
"	"	6	"	300	0	0	12	6		187	10	0	0	7	5	4	13	9	0	6		3	15	0			
"	"	7	"	538	0	0	12	6		336	5	0	0	7	5	8	8	2	0	6		6	14	6			
"	"	9	"	474	0	0	12	6		296	5	0	0	7	5	7	8	2	0	6		5	18	6			
All forest; rough and undulating country, well watered; timber consists of tawa, rimu, rata, towai, pukatea, &c., with usual undergrowth. Hills rise from 100 ft. to 500 ft. above the valleys, and to 900 ft. above sea-level. Distance from Urenui by Kaipikari Road, about four to seven miles; the block can also be approached by Junction and Mataro Roads from Tarata, distance about nine miles.																											

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,

Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands in the Southland 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-sixth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight; 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.
SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
SECOND-CLASS LAND.										
Southland	Campbelltown	26	VIII.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
"	"	27	"	56 3 19	0 17 6	49 17 6	0 10 5	1 4 11	0 8 4	1 0 0
"	"	31	"	65 3 16	0 15 0	49 10 0	0 9	1 4 9	0 7 2	0 19 10
"	"	32	"	52 1 16	1 0 0	52 0 0	1 0	1 6 0	0 9 6	1 0 10
"	"	33	"	49 3 0	1 0 0	50 0 0	1 0	1 5 0	0 9 6	1 0 0
"	"	34	"	47 2 20	1 0 0	48 0 0	1 0	1 4 0	0 9 6	0 19 2
"	"	35	"	45 1 39	1 0 0	45 0 0	1 0	1 2 6	0 9 6	0 18 0
"	"	36	"	42 3 3	1 0 0	43 0 0	1 0	1 1 6	0 9 6	0 17 2
"	"	37	"	44 1 16	1 0 0	44 0 0	1 0	1 2 0	0 9 6	0 17 7
"	"	38	"	48 2 8	1 0 0	49 0 0	1 0	1 4 6	0 9 6	0 19 7
"	"	39	"	47 1 18	0 15 0	35 5 0	0 9	0 17 8	0 7 2	0 14 1
"	"	40	"	50 0 21	0 15 0	37 10 0	0 9	0 18 9	0 7 2	0 15 0
"	"	41	"	51 3 12	0 15 0	39 0 0	0 9	0 19 6	0 7 2	0 15 8
"	"	42	"	49 2 15	0 16 0	40 0 0	0 9 6	1 0 0	0 7 7	0 16 0
"	"	43	"	47 2 2	0 17 6	42 0 0	0 10 5	1 1 0	0 8 4	0 16 10
"	"	44	"	45 1 25	0 17 6	39 7 6	0 10 5	0 19 8	0 8 4	0 15 9
"	"	48	"	42 3 14	0 17 6	37 12 6	0 10 5	0 18 10	0 8 4	0 15 0
"	"	49	"	99 3 18	0 15 0	75 0 0	0 9	1 17 6	0 7 2	1 10 0
"	"	50	"	99 3 12	0 10 0	50 0 0	0 6	1 5 0	0 4 8	1 0 0
"	"	51	"	99 3 9	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	52	"	99 3 6	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	53	"	99 3 4	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	54	"	100 1 0	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	55	"	100 1 39	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	56	"	99 3 2	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	57	"	99 3 5	0 5 0	25 0 0	0 3	0 12 6	0 2 4	0 10 0
"	"	58	"	99 3 8	0 10 0	50 0 0	0 6	1 5 0	0 4 8	1 0 0
"	"	59	"	99 1 23	1 0 0	99 0 0	1 0	2 9 6	0 9 6	1 19 7
"	"	59	"	60 3 21	1 0 0	61 0 0	1 0	1 10 6	0 9 6	1 4 5

Sections 26, 27, 31 to 44, 48, 49, 57, and 59 are all abandoned sawmill workings with a little timber still left, suitable for fencing or firewood; soil fair, but inclined to be wet; height above sea-level, from 10 ft. to 70 ft.; distance from Invercargill about eight miles. Sections 50 to 56, nearly all open land; soil peaty and wet, and part manuka scrub; height above sea-level, from 10 ft. to 70 ft.; distance from Invercargill about nine miles.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight. JOHN McKENZIE, Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Wellington, Nelson, Canterbury, Otago, and Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column.	Record Number.
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Purpose for which Land reserved.	
Wellington	Town of Livingstone	48 and 59	..	A. R. P. 4 0 0	Public-school site	37762
Nelson ..	Mawhera-nui S.D.	6	II.	2 2 24	Public cemetery	37280
Canterbury	Town of Akaroa ..	97 (in red)	..	0 2 14	Site for hospital	35912
Otago ..	Town of Papatowai	78	..	1 0 10	Site for cottage hospital ..	37516
Southland	Centre Hill S.D. ..	5	II.	0 3 5	Public-school site	37948
"	Merivale Estate, Waiau S.D.	Lot 32	X.	5 2 22	"	"

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight. W. C. WALKER, for Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Nelson, Marlborough, Canterbury, and Otago.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column. Purpose for which Land reserved.	Record Number.
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.		
Auckland ..	Small Farms, near Howick	Lot 17, Sec. 9	..	A. R. P. 1 0 30	Road reserve	37632
" ..	Waiwera Parish ..	64A	..	9 1 8	Landing reserve	37778
" ..	Hukerenui S.D. ..	82	V.	4 3 10	Public-school site	37821
" ..	Awaroa S.D. ..	8	VI.	227 1 0	Primary education	37822
" ..	Ngaruawahia Town	46	..	0 1 6	Post and Telegraph site ..	37921
Nelson ..	Town of Waiau ..	6, 7	VI.	0 2 16	Public-school site	37677
" ..	" ..	..	XX.	4 1 24	River protection	"
" ..	" ..	..	XXII.	3 0 28	Public utility	"
" ..	Waiau S.D. ..	1	XIII.	40 0 0	Public recreation-ground ..	"
" ..	" ..	3	..	0 3 22	Addition to public cemetery	"
" ..	Steeple S.D. ..	9, Sgre. 142	..	11 3 8	Quarry	37674
" ..	Town of Millerton	51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 58, 59, 60	..	2 0 0	Public-school site	37741
Marlborough	Mount Fyffe S.D. ...	2	X.	1 3 21	Public recreation-ground ..	28185
Canterbury	Town of Ashburton	1097, 1101, 1102, 1254, 1255, 1256	..	1 2 21.4	Addition to site for Old Men's Home	37775
"	Upper Ashley S.D.	3231 (in red)	XVI.	63 0 0	Public recreation-ground ..	28891
"	Mount Thomas S.D.		XII.			
"	Oxford S.D. ..		I.			
"	Wairaki S.D. ..		V.			
"	Akaroa S.D. ..	2782 (in red)	VII.	10 0 0	Preservation of forest for scenery and climatic purposes	37853
"	" ..	2783 "	..	3 2 20		
"	" ..	2784 "	VI., VII.	13 2 32		
"	" ..	2785 "	VII.	74 2 0		
"	" ..	2786 "	X.	6 2 0		
"	" ..	2787 "	..	5 3 0		
"	" ..	2788 "	VI.	161 0 0		
"	" ..	2790 "	XI.	33 2 0		
"	Okain's S.D. ..	2791 "	V.	38 0 0		
"	Pigeon Bay S.D. ..	3002 "	VIII., XII.	57 0 0		
"	" ..	3234 "	X.	5 0 0		
"	" ..	3235 "	X., XIV.	75 3 0		
"	Akaroa S.D. ..	3236 "	VII.	5 2 0		
"	" ..	3237 "	..	44 0 0		
"	Okain's S.D. ..	3238 "	V.	5 1 37		
"	Akaroa S.D. ..	3239 "	VII.	56 2 0		
"	Tengawai (Cricklewood) S.D.	3240 "	XV.	5 1 9	Public-school site	37621
Otago ..	Pomahaka S.D. ..	38	I.	10 0 17	Public-school site	37606

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

President of Court of Arbitration appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS on the twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, the resignation of his Honour Joshua Strange Williams as President of the Court of Arbitration was accepted:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by section forty-eight of "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," and all

other powers enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor hereby appoints

His Honour WORLEY BASSETT EDWARDS to be President of the Court of Arbitration in the stead of his Honour Joshua Strange Williams.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Consul of Japan at Wellington appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that he has been informed by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies that the Queen's exequatur empowering

A. S. ALDRICH, Esq.,

to act as Consul of Japan at Wellington has received Her Majesty's signature.

W. C. WALKER.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th March, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section 9 of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884,"—

JAMES ROBERT DANIEL JOHNS the younger, of Belfast, and
EDWIN HARRISON LEWTON, of Bennett's,

have been appointed officers for the purposes of that Act for that part of the Provincial District of Canterbury to the north of and including the Rakaia River, and for the waters of the Clarence River which are within the County of Marlborough.

W. C. WALKER.

Rangers under the Animals Protection Acts, Auckland, Marlborough, and Canterbury, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

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

Name.	District.
JOHN ARCHIBALD FREDERIC GRAY ..	Auckland.
HENRY SPRATT	"
WALTER SEYMOUR	Marlborough.
EDWIN HARRISON LEWTON	Canterbury.
JAMES ROBERT DANIEL JOHNS the younger ..	"

W. C. WALKER.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

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.
JAMES RICHARD HILL	Pleasant Point.
FREDERICK JAMES OLIVER	Brunner.
ALFRED COOK	Takapau.

W. C. WALKER.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ARTHUR GIFFORD WILLIAMS

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Black's, vice Joseph Hay, transferred, on and from the 30th March, 1898.

W. C. WALKER.

Clerks of Courts appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER GEORGE ASHBY

to be Clerk of the Magistrate's and Warden's Courts, Receiver of Gold Revenue, and Mining Registrar, at Riverton, and Clerk of the Licensing Committee for the District of

Wallace, from the 1st day of April, 1898, vice A. A. Mair, transferred; and

Constable NORMAN DOW ABBOTT

to be Clerk of the Magistrate's Court at Levin from the 21st day of March, 1898, vice Constable J. O'Connor, transferred.

T. THOMPSON.

Member of Auckland Land Board reappointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to reappoint

DAVID LUNDON

to be a member of the Land Board of the Auckland Land District as from this 1st day of April instant.

JOHN MCKENZIE,

Minister of Lands.

Resignation of Trustee of Waikaia Public Cemetery.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of

WALTER MCLIVOR

as a Trustee of the Waikaia Public Cemetery.

WM. HALL-JONES,

For Minister of Lands.

Member of Westland Land Board reappointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to reappoint

ANDREW MATHESON

to be a member of the Land Board of the Westland Land District as from the 24th March, 1898.

JOHN MCKENZIE,

Minister of Lands.

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

Lunacy Department,
Wellington, 4th April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALFRED PHILIP COKER, Esq., Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond.,

to be Relieving Medical Officer to the Lunatic Asylums of the Colony as occasion requires, and Assistant Medical Officer of the Lunatic Asylum at Wellington, vice Dr W. D. Perry, resigned.

The appointment to date from the 11th March, 1898.

W. C. WALKER.

Assistant Medical Officer, Seacliff Lunatic Asylum, appointed.

Lunacy Department,
Wellington, 4th April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON FALCONER, Esq., M.B., C.M., Univ. N.Z.,

to be Assistant Medical Officer of the Lunatic Asylum at Seacliff from the 5th March, 1898, vice Dr. W. C. Greig, resigned.

W. C. WALKER.

Member of New Plymouth Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance of the provisions of section 40 of "The Harbours Act, 1878," and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, appointed

GEORGE CLIFF

to be a member of the New Plymouth Harbour Board, in the place of Joe Ward, resigned.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Member of Patea Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, in pursuance of the provisions of section 41 of "The Harbours Act, 1878," to appoint

CHARLES EDWIN MAJOR

to be a member of the Patea Harbour Board, the ratepayers of the Hawera Subdivision of the Patea Harbour District having, on the second Monday in February last, neglected to elect a member in accordance with the provisions of "The Patea Harbour Board Act, 1885."

WM. HALL-JONES.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 4th April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned person to be an Inspector under "The Factories Act, 1894," and to assign to him the district set opposite his name, viz.:-

Name.	District.
Constable NORMAN DOW ABOTT	The North Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

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.
Karl Goldmann ..	Fisherman ..	Ellesmere.
William Reiners Mahlmann	Miner ..	Lyell.
John Mortensen ..	Farmer ..	Pohangina.
Alexander Walquist ..	Farmer ..	Dunedin.

W. C. WALKER.

Result of Polls for Proposed Loans, Kivitea County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

KIWITEA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Result of Poll.

THE following is the result of the poll on the proposals to borrow £150 for construction of Oroua Valley Road, Apiti Riding:-

Number of ratepayers on roll, 7, representing 7 votes: Votes recorded for proposal, 5; number of ratepayers voting, 5; votes against, nil.

As a majority of the ratepayers voted in favour of the proposal, and the number so voting are entitled to more than one-half of the votes than can be exercised by the number of ratepayers, I hereby declare the proposal to be carried.

A. H. TOMPKINS,
Chairman.

Result of Poll.

The following is the result of poll on the proposals to borrow £400 for construction of Dick's Road, Apiti Riding:-

Number of ratepayers on roll, 4, representing 10 votes: Votes recorded for proposal, 9; number of ratepayers voting, 3; votes against, nil.

As a majority in number of the ratepayers voted in favour of the proposal, and the number so voting are entitled to more than one-half of the votes that can be exercised by the whole number of ratepayers, I hereby declare the proposal to be carried.

J. J. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Stratford County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th April, 1898.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

STRATFORD COUNTY COUNCIL.

RESULT of a poll taken on the 24th day of March, 1898, upon the proposal to borrow £1,050 under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and its amendments, to form, grade, and metal portions of the Palmer and Duthie Roads:-

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 7; number of votes exercisable, 8; Number of ratepayers voting in favour of the proposal, 6; number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal, 7; number of ratepayers voting against the proposal, 1; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 1.

I declare the above proposal to be carried.

J. MACKAY,
Chairman.

Stratford, 30th March, 1898.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Moa Road District, County of Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 5th April, 1898.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

MOA ROAD BOARD.

RESULT of poll of ratepayers of the Kaipi Road Special Rating District, taken 23rd March, 1898, upon the following proposal: (1) To form and metal the Kaipi Road from the Egmont Road upwards; (2) to borrow for such purpose the sum of £100 under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886"; (3) to strike as security for such loan a special rate of 1½d. in the pound; (4) to constitute the "Kaipi Road Special Rating District," to comprise the following lands—viz., Sections 49, 51, 52, 56 (in two subdivisions), and part 61, Hua and Waiwakaiho:-

Total number of ratepayers on special roll, 6; Total number of votes exercised, 6; number of votes recorded for the proposal, 6; number of votes recorded against the proposal, nil; number of votes not recorded, nil.

I hereby declare the proposal carried.

S. BEETHAM,
Chairman.

Issue of New Zealand War Medal.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the issue of the New Zealand War Medal to the under-mentioned members of the New Zealand Colonial Forces, whose claims have been investigated and admitted:-

No. 101, Private SAMUEL BROWN, Taranaki Military Settlers.
Private WALTER POUND ABRAM, Wanganui Militia.

T. THOMPSON.

Bonus for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,
Wellington, 17th February, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that a bonus of fourpence (4d.) per pound will be paid on the production of the first one hundred thousand pounds weight (100,000lb.) of good marketable retorted quicksilver, free from all impurities, from any mine in New Zealand, on the following conditions, that is to say:-

1. That at least one-third of the quantity is produced on or before the 31st March, 1900, and the remaining two-thirds on or before the 31st March, 1901.

2. No bonus will be payable until the whole of the one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced as stipulated to the satisfaction of an officer to be appointed by the Minister of Mines, and on whose certificate alone the bonus will be paid.

3. In the event of more than one person producing the required quantities of quicksilver before the dates named, inquiry will be made by the officer above referred to, when,

if it is found that each applicant is equally entitled to a bonus, the amount will be divided in proportion to the quantities produced by each applicant, but in no case shall any bonus be paid until at least one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced in the aggregate.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

Notice of the Laying-off of a Road over Native Land in the Tongariro and Pihanga Survey Districts.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, on the 14th October, 1897, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 7th November, 1896.

SCHEDULE.

KETETAHI ROAD (TONGARIRO AND PIHANGA DISTRICTS).

Approximate Area of the Land taken.	Being Portion of	Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Marked on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 44 1 1	Okahukura 8M Block	Tongariro and Pihanga	17A	K to L	Brown

As the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, and deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above noted.

Dated this 1st day of April, 1898.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of a Road through Rangitanuku No. 1b, Section 1 and Section 2, Tapapa Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by his Deputy, James Prendergast, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, on the 29th December, 1897, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 23rd August, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Portions of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 6 1 38.8	Rangitanuku No. 1b (4313 1b), Section No. 2	Tapapa ..	11136	Red.
3 2 11.3	Rangitanuku No. 1b (4313 1b), Section No. 1	Tapapa ..	11136	Brown

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

Dated this 4th day of April, 1898.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

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.

Regulations for Examination of Masters and Mates.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in me by the 24th and 25th sections of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," I do hereby make the following regulations for the conduct of examinations of masters and mates, and as to the qualifications of candidates; and direct that the fees specified therein shall be paid to the Collectors of Customs at the ports where the applications to be examined are made. These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of May next, and shall then supersede any rules or regulations heretofore existing, and affecting such examinations, qualifications, and fees.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister having Charge of Marine Department.

PRELIMINARY AND GENERAL.

1. In accordance with the provisions of section 28 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and section 34 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act Amendment Act, 1894," every foreign-going ship* and every home-trade passenger-ship,* when going to sea from any place in New Zealand, and every sea-going vessel of 20 tons net register not included in the above designations, must be provided with officers duly certificated according to the following scale:—

- In any case with a duly-certificated master.
- If the ship is of 100 tons burden or upwards, with at least one officer besides the master holding a certificate not lower than that of only mate in the case of a foreign-going ship, or of mate in the case of a home-trade passenger-ship.
- If the ship is a foreign-going ship, and carries more than one mate, with at least the first and second mate duly certificated.

If any person, having been engaged as one of the above-mentioned officers without being duly certificated, or employs a person as an officer, in contravention of these sections, without ascertaining that the person so serving is duly certificated, the person shall be liable for each offence to a fine not exceeding £50.

2. Certificates of competency will be granted to those persons who pass the requisite examination and otherwise comply with the requisite conditions. For this purpose Examiners have been appointed, and arrangements have been made for holding examinations. The time and places at which these examinations are held are shown in Appendix B.

3. Candidates for examination must fill up a form of application (Form Exn. 2) at a Mercantile Marine Office (Customhouse). The form, properly filled in, together with the candidate's testimonials and discharges, must be lodged with the local Examiner not later than the day before the day of examination, and the candidate must conform to any regulations in this respect which may be laid down by the Marine Department. As discharges and testimonials may require verification, it is desirable that they should be handed in, together with the form of application, as many days as possible before the date of the examination which the candidate desires to attend. In the absence of the necessary verification the candidate cannot be examined.

4. In cases where the services of a candidate require verification, or where he is in doubt whether his service complies with the regulations and wishes to submit his case for special consideration, all certificates, discharges, and testimonials, together with the form of application,† properly filled in, should be submitted to the Examiner of Masters and Mates or to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine. If necessary, the officer will, after seeing that all the required information is clearly set forth in the papers, forward them, with his observations, to the Marine Department, who will deal with the case.

5. All other inquiries regarding examinations should be made and dealt with in the same way. The point on which information is sought should be clearly stated, and certificates, discharges, testimonials, &c., should be forwarded when they are material to the inquiry.

6. Services which cannot be verified by proper entries in the articles of the ships in which the candidates have served cannot be counted. For instance, a man may state that his service has been as second or only mate, and to support his assertion may produce a certificate of discharge or of employment from the master, to the effect that he served as mate, when on reference to the articles it appears that he has actually been rated as boatswain: the service in such a case will not be regarded as having been in the capacity of mate.

* By a "home-trade passenger-ship" is meant one which is employed in carrying passengers on the coasts of New Zealand, but not to or from the Chatham Islands, the Auckland Islands, or Campbell Island. By a "foreign-going ship" is meant every ship not included in the term "home-trade ship."

† Form Exn. 2, which can be obtained at any Mercantile Marine Office.

7. Should any doubt exist as to the age of a candidate, he will be required to produce a certificate of birth.

8. It is provided by section 32 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," that any person who makes, assists in making, or procures to be made, any false representation for the purpose of procuring, either for himself or for any other person, a certificate of competency, shall in respect of each offence be guilty of a misdemeanour.

9. Testimonials to character, including sobriety, and to experience and ability, on board ship for at least the twelve months of service immediately preceding the date of application to be examined, will be required of all candidates, and without producing them no person will be examined.

10. Candidates who have neglected to join their vessels after having signed articles, or who have deserted their vessels after having joined, or who have been found guilty of gross misconduct on board, will be required to produce satisfactory proofs of two years' subsequent service and good conduct at sea, unless the Marine Department, after having investigated the matter, should see fit to reduce the time.

11. All candidates must pass the sight-tests before they can be examined for any certificate. The regulations relating to these tests are as follows:—

(i.) The sight-tests are open to all persons serving or intending to serve in the mercantile marine, and all such persons are recommended to take the earliest opportunity of ascertaining by means of these tests whether their vision is such as to qualify them for service in that profession.

(ii.) The examination consists of three parts—(a) form-vision test (see Appendix A); (b) colour-vision test (see Appendix A); (c) colour-ignorance test (see Appendix A).

No candidate will be examined in the colour-vision test until he has passed the form-vision test, or in the colour-ignorance test until he has passed the colour-vision test.

(iii.) Any person serving or intending to serve in the mercantile marine, if desirous of undergoing the form-vision, colour-vision, and colour-ignorance tests *only*, must make application to the Superintendent of a Mercantile Marine Office on the Form Exn. 2B, and must pay a fee of 2s. 6d.

This fee will be payable on each occasion upon which a candidate is examined in form-vision and colours *only*.

(iv.) Every candidate for a certificate of competency who is not already in possession of such a certificate will be required to pass the three tests mentioned in Rule ii. above before he can proceed to the examination in navigation and seamanship for the certificate which he desires to obtain, even though he may have passed the tests on some previous occasion.

(v.) Every candidate who is already in possession of a certificate of competency, and who desires to obtain a certificate of a higher grade, will be required to pass the three tests mentioned in Rule ii. above before he can proceed to the examination in navigation and seamanship for the certificate of a higher grade.

That is to say, no candidate will be permitted to proceed with the examination in navigation and seamanship for a higher certificate if he fails to pass the three tests.

(vi.) If a candidate fails to pass any of the three tests, a note of the fact of his having done so will be written across the face of the certificate which he already possesses before it is returned to him.

(vii.) If a candidate who undergoes the form-vision, colour-vision, and colour-ignorance tests *only* (see Rule iii.) is in possession of a certificate of competency, he must hand in his certificate before the examination commences, and if he fails to pass any of the three tests, a statement of his failure will be written on the certificate before it is returned to him.

(viii.) Candidates who fail to pass the form-vision test or colour-ignorance test can be re-examined at intervals of three months; but candidates who fail to pass the colour-vision test cannot be re-examined. It is open, however, to any candidate who has failed to pass that test to appeal to the Marine Department, who may, if they think fit, remit the case to a special examiner, or body of examiners, for final decision.

(ix.) The expenses of candidates who are examined by the special examiners, and are reported by them to have passed the three tests, will, under certain circumstances, be paid by the Marine Department, at a rate which will be notified to the

candidate, but no payment whatever will be made towards the expenses of candidates who upon their own application are examined by the special examiners, and are reported by them to have failed. The special examinations will be held in Wellington only.

(x.) When a candidate fails to pass the colour-test the Examiner will point out to him the conditions under which he can appeal. Appeals are to be made through the Examiner, and forwarded to the Marine Department, with the Examiner's remarks.

(xi.) The holder of a certificate which bears on it a statement of failure in the first test (form-vision) or in the third test (colour-ignorance) can have the statement removed by passing, after the prescribed interval, the test to which it refers; but the instruction in the last paragraph of Rule ii. above must be followed.

(xii.) The fee paid for examination for a certificate of competency includes the fee of 2s. 6d. for examination in form-vision, colour-vision, and colour-ignorance; and if the candidate fails to pass those tests, this fee will, with the exception of 2s. 6d., be returned to him.

(xiii.) Only Examiners who have themselves passed the colour-test are to undertake these examinations.

12. Foreigners must prove to the satisfaction of the Examiners that they can speak and write the English language sufficiently well to perform the duties required of them on board a British vessel. (See par. 20.)

13. If the candidate passes he will receive a form (Form Exn. 16) authorising the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office to whom it is addressed to issue the certificate. The candidate's testimonials and other papers will be returned to him with the certificate. It is therefore important that the port at which the certificate is to be issued should be the same on both the Form Exn. 16 and the Form Exn. 2. If circumstances should make any alteration necessary, the examiner should see that it is made in both forms, otherwise delay in the issue of the certificate may be caused.

14. If after a candidate has passed the examination it is discovered on further investigation that his services are insufficient to entitle him to receive a certificate of the grade for which he has passed, the certificate will not be granted to him; but if the Marine Department is satisfied that the error in the calculation of the candidate's services did not occur through any fault or wilful misrepresentation on his part, he may either have the fee returned to him, or have it placed to his credit. Should his services entitle him to a certificate of a lower grade it may be granted to him, and the difference, if any, between the fee paid by him for the superior certificate and the fee payable for the inferior certificate will be returned to him or placed to his credit. The superior certificate will not be granted until the candidate has performed the amount of service in which he was deficient, and has been re-examined in all the subjects, unless the Marine Department see fit to dispense with the re-examination.

15. In all cases of failure the candidate must be examined anew. If a candidate fails in seamanship he will not be re-examined until after a lapse of six months. Whether the whole or part of this period must be served at sea must depend upon the subjects in seamanship in which the candidate failed, but the amount of further sea-service to be required will be left to the discretion of the Examiner.

16. The Examiner, in making his report on the Form Exn. 14, should state what amount, if any, of further sea-service the candidate must perform, and he should also insert this information in the Form Exn. 2.

17. If a candidate fails three times in navigation within three months, he will not be re-examined until after a lapse of three months from the date of the last failure.

18. Candidates for extra certificates will not be allowed to present themselves for examination more than three times within a period of twelve months.

19. If a candidate has failed in his examination, but the subjects in which he has failed are not included in the subjects required for a certificate of a lower grade, he may, if he desires it, receive a certificate of this lower grade.

20. If a candidate fails for bad spelling or writing, he will not be re-examined until after a lapse of at least three months. If he fails for ignorance of the English language, he will not be re-examined until after a lapse of six months.

21. If a candidate fails in seamanship so far as regards the management of square-rigged sailing-vessels, in his examination for an ordinary certificate, he may, if qualified as to service, without further formal application or further payment of fee, proceed with the examination for a certificate of competency for foreign-going steamships or for fore-and-aft-rigged vessels. And, if a candidate fails in the same manner in his examination for an extra master's certificate,

he may, under the same conditions as above, proceed with the examination for an extra certificate for steamships.

22. Candidates for examination, in making their application on Form Exn. 2, will be required to pay the examination-fee before any step is taken in the way of inquiring into their services or testing their qualifications. If the candidate is found not to be qualified the fee will either be returned to him, or placed to his credit until he is qualified.

23. The fee for examination must be paid to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office. If a candidate offers a gratuity to any officer of the department, he will be regarded as having committed an act of misconduct, and will be rejected, and not allowed to be again examined for twelve months either at the port where the offence was committed or at any other port.

24. If a candidate fails to pass the examination half the fee will be returned to him.

25. The fees are as follow:—

For Foreign-going Ships.

	£	s.	d.
Second mate	1	0	0

First or only mate—

If previously possessing an inferior certificate, either granted by the Board of Trade, or by the Government of a British possession under Order in Council	0	10	0
If not	1	0	0
Master	2	0	0

Where a candidate is in possession of a certificate for fore-and-aft-rigged vessels, and requires an ordinary or a steamship certificate of the same grade; or where a candidate is in possession of a steamship certificate, and requires an ordinary certificate of the same grade Half the usual fee.

Master extra, if possessing an ordinary master's certificate; or master extra for steamships, if possessing a master's certificate for steamships; first attempt Nil.

Master extra, or master extra for steamships, for every subsequent attempt .. 1 0 0*

Where a candidate is in possession of a colonial certificate for foreign-going ships not granted under Order in Council, or of a provisional certificate of qualification, obtained after examination on board one of Her Majesty's ships, for an Imperial certificate of same grade, for first attempt No fee.

Every subsequent attempt Usual fee.

For Home-trade Passenger-ships.

Mate	0	10	0
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Master	1	0	0
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Master of steamship in restricted limits ..	1	0	0
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Voluntary Examination in Steam.

Any master or mate holding a certificate of any grade, whether for the foreign or home trade, or as master of his own pleasure yacht	1	0	0
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Voluntary Examination in Compass Deviation.

Any master or mate holding a certificate of any grade, whether for the foreign or home trade, or as master of his own pleasure yacht	1	0	0
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For Yachts.

Master	2	0	0
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Master extra, if possessing a master's certificate, first attempt	Nil.		
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For every subsequent attempt	1	0	0
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NOTE.—No abatement will be made in the fee charged to a candidate for a certificate for foreign-going ships in consequence of his possessing a master's or mate's certificate for home-trade passenger-ships.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR THE VARIOUS GRADES.
Certificates for Foreign-going Ships, or Ordinary Certificates.

26. A candidate for an ordinary certificate of any grade who has not previously held an ordinary certificate of a lower

* If the examination for the extra master's certificate takes place at the same time as the examination for the ordinary master's certificate the usual fee for the ordinary master's certificate must be paid, though no fee will be charged for the extra master's examination on the first attempt. On all subsequent attempts the fee of £1 will be charged for the extra master's examination, in addition to any charge which may have been incurred through failure to pass the ordinary master's examination. This rule as to fees also applies to the extra examinations for steamships and yachts.

grade must prove that he has served twelve months in the foreign trade, or eighteen months in the home or coasting trade, in a square-rigged sailing-vessel.

27. Ordinary certificates will entitle the holders to go to sea as mates or masters of any vessel, sailing or steam.

28. SECOND MATE.—A candidate must be not less than seventeen years of age, and must have served four years at sea.

29. *Examination in Navigation.*—A candidate for a second mate's certificate will be required:—

- (a.) To write a legible hand and spell correctly. This will be tested by a quarter of an hour's dictation.
- (b.) To write a short definition of various astronomical and other terms, and to draw a rough sketch or diagram to illustrate their meaning.
- (c.) To show a competent knowledge of the first five rules of arithmetic and the use of logarithms.
- (d.) To work a day's work complete, correcting the courses for leeway, deviation, and variation.
- (e.) To find the latitude by the meridian altitude of the sun.
- (f.) To work any practical problem in parallel sailing.
- (g.) To find the true course and distance from one given position to another by Mercator's method; also the compass course, the variation and deviation being given.
- (h.) To find the time of high water at a given port.
- (i.) To find the true amplitude of the sun, and the error of the compass therefrom; also the deviation, the variation being given.
- (j.) To find the longitude by chronometer from altitude of the sun by the usual methods, computing the daily rate of chronometer from errors observed when required; also, to find the true azimuth of the sun, and the error of the compass; and the deviation, the variation being given.
- (k.) To find the true azimuth of the sun by the "time azimuth" tables; the error of the compass; also the deviation, the variation being given.
- (l.) To find on either a "true" or "magnetic" chart* the course to steer, and the distance, from one given position to another; to find the ship's position on the chart from cross-bearings of two objects—from two bearings of the same object, the course and distance run between taking the bearings being given, also the distance of the ship from the object at the time of taking the second bearing.

He will be required to answer *visà voce* questions on the following subjects:—

- (m.) The use and adjustments of the sextant, read off and on the arc, and the mode of finding the index error by both horizon and sun.
- (n.) The International Code of Signals.
- (o.) The construction, use, and principle of the barometer, thermometer, and hydrometer.
- (p.) Weights and measures.

30. *Examination in Seamanship.*—He must understand and give satisfactory answers on the following subjects:—

- (a.) The standing and running rigging of ships.
- (b.) Bending, unbending, setting, reefing, taking in, and furling sail.
- (c.) Sending masts and yards up and down, &c.
- (d.) Management of a ship when under canvas.
- (e.) Management of ships' boats in heavy weather.
- (f.) Dunnaging and stowing cargo, &c.
- (g.) The rule of the road as regards both steamers and sailing-vessels, their regulation lights, and fog- and sound-signals.
- (h.) The signals of distress, and the signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals.
- (i.) The marking and use of the lead- and log-lines.
- (j.) The use and management of the rocket apparatus in the event of a vessel being stranded.
- (k.) Any questions of a like nature appertaining to the duties of a second mate that the Examiner may think necessary to ask.
- (l.) Also questions on the additional subjects which are specified in the rules of examination for second mates' certificates of competency for foreign-going steamships. (See par. 45.)

31. ONLY MATE.—A candidate must be not less than nineteen years of age, and have served five years at sea.

32. FIRST MATE.—A candidate must be not less than nineteen years of age, and have served five years at sea, of which—

- (a.) One year must have been in a capacity not lower than fourth mate of a foreign-going vessel whilst holding a second mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels;

* The terms "true" and "magnetic" are used throughout the regulations to indicate charts which have compasses engraved upon them showing the true or magnetic points of the compass respectively.

If his service was as third or fourth mate, proof will be required that he had during the whole year *charge of a watch* (see par. 107);

(b.) Or one year and a half must have been in a capacity not lower than only mate in a home-trade or coasting vessel whilst holding a second mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels, or a mate's certificate for home-trade passenger-ships;

(c.) Or one year must have been as pilot, with a first-class pilot's certificate (see par. 104).

33. *Examination in Navigation.*—A candidate for an only or first mate's certificate will be required—

(a.) To work out any three of the nautical problems prescribed for the second mate's examination which may be given him by the Examiner, in addition to the chart paper (l) and the oral subjects (m, n, o, p) prescribed for that grade.

(b.) To compute the time at which a given star will be on the observer's meridian. [Occasionally by inspection.]

(c.) To describe where tables giving the names of the principal stars passing the meridian may be found.

(d.) To describe where the meridian passage of the principal planets may be found.

(e.) To determine what bright stars will be within an hour, or more, of the observer's meridian, above the pole and above the horizon, at any given time; also the hour angle, east or west, of each of the stars, and whether to the north or south of the observer's zenith when passing the meridian.

(f.) To describe any maps or diagrams which the candidate knows and prefers for further facilitating the recognition of the stars and planets.

(g.) To compute the approximate meridian altitude of one of the stars just found for setting the sextant.

(h.) To find the latitude from the meridian altitude of the same star.

(i.) To find the longitude by chronometer by altitude of a star.

(j.) To find the true azimuth of a star by the "Time Azimuth" tables, and get the deviation therefrom.

(k.) To find the latitude by ex-meridian altitude of the sun or a star.

(l.) To find the line of position and the true bearing of the sun, and the ship's position, by Sumner's method by projection.

(m.) To answer certain questions relative to cyclones, or revolving storms.

He will be required to answer *viva voce* questions on the following subjects:—

(n.) How to keep a ship's log-book.

(o.) How to calculate the capacity of a given bunker or hold.

(p.) How to calculate a freight and its commissions.

34. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required for a second mate's certificate, an only or first mate will be required to show a knowledge of the following subjects:—

(a.) Shifting large spars, rigging shears, taking lower masts in and out.

(b.) How to moor and unmoor ship; to keep a clear anchor, and to carry out an anchor.

(c.) How to manage a ship in stormy weather, and to cast a ship on a lee shore.

(d.) How to secure the masts in the event of accident to the bowsprit.

(e.) How to rig purchases for getting heavy weights, anchors, machinery, &c., in or out.

(f.) How to dispose various kinds of cargo and weights in a stiff and in a tender vessel.

(g.) The ventilation of holds, and the stowage of explosives.

(h.) How to rig a sea-anchor, and what means to employ to keep a vessel, disabled or unmanageable, out of the trough of the sea, and lessen her lee drift.

(i.) How to get a cast of the deep-sea lead in heavy weather.

(j.) Accidents, and how to deal with them.

(k.) Any other questions appertaining to the duties of an only or first mate which the Examiner may think necessary to ask.

(l.) Also questions on the additional subjects which are specified in the rules of examination for only and first mate's certificates of competency for foreign-going steamships. (See par. 49.)

35. *MASTER.*—A candidate must be not less than twenty-one years of age, and—

(a.) He must have served six years at sea, of which one year must have been in a capacity not lower than only mate of a foreign-going vessel, whilst holding a certificate not lower than an only mate's certifi-

cate for foreign-going vessels, provided that this service as officer was not performed whilst holding a first mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels; the candidate will also be required to prove the officer's service prescribed for that grade (par. 32):

(b.) Or, he must have served six years at sea, of which one year and a half must have been in a capacity not lower than only mate of a home-trade or coasting vessel whilst holding a certificate not lower than an only mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels; provided that, if this service as officer was not performed whilst holding a first mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels, the candidate will also be required to prove the officers service prescribed for that grade (par. 32):

(c.) Or, he must have served six years and a half at sea, one year of which must have been in a capacity not lower than second mate of a foreign-going vessel whilst holding a first mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels, and one year and a half not lower than third or fourth mate of a foreign-going vessel *in charge of a watch* whilst holding a second mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels:

(d.) Or, he must have served nine years at sea in the home or coasting trade, of which three years must have been as master, or one year as master and three years in a capacity not lower than that of mate; provided that in either case he has served in such capacity for not less than one year with a second mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels or a master's certificate for home-trade passenger-ships.

36. *Examination in Navigation.*—A candidate for an ordinary master's certificate will be required to work out any twelve of the nautical problems prescribed for the grades of second and first mate that may be given him by the Examiner, in addition to the chart paper, the cyclone paper, and the oral subjects prescribed for the grades of second and first mate. He will also be required,—

(a.) To find the latitude by the altitude of the Polar Star at any time.

(b.) To find the latitude by the meridian altitude of the moon.

(c.) To find the magnetic bearing of any fixed object when at sea or at anchor, from bearings of the object taken with the ship's head on equidistant compass points, and to compute the deviation therefrom; to construct a deviation curve upon a Napier's diagram which will be furnished by the Examiner, and show that he understands its practical application; to give satisfactory written and oral answers to certain practical questions as to the effect of the ship's iron upon the compasses, and the method of determining the deviation, and show how to compensate the deviation by magnets and soft iron by the aid of Beall's compass deviascope.

(d.) To find on a chart the course to steer by compass in order to counteract the effect of a given current, and find the distance the ship will make good towards a given point in a given time; and to work out practically the correction to apply to soundings taken at a given time and place to compare with the depth marked on the chart.

He will be required to answer *viva voce* questions on the following subjects:—

(e.) The law as to the engagement, and discharge, and management of the crew, and the entries to be made in the official log.

(f.) How to prevent and check an outbreak of scurvy on board ship.

(g.) The law as to load-line marks, and the entries and reports to be made respecting them.

(h.) Invoices, charter party, bills of lading, Lloyd's agent, nature of bottomry, bills of exchange, surveys, averages, &c.

(i.) The prevailing winds and currents of the globe.

(j.) The trade routes.

(k.) Tides.

37. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required for the grades of second and first mate, an ordinary master will be required to show a knowledge of the following subjects:—

(a.) Construction of jury-rudders for both wooden and iron vessels, also rafts.

(b.) Resources for the preservation of the ship's crew in the event of wreck.

(c.) Management of ship in heavy weather.

(d.) Rescuing the crew of a disabled vessel.

(e.) Steps to be taken when a ship is on her beam-ends, or in any danger or difficulty, or disabled or unmanageable and on a lee shore.

(f.) Heaving a keel out.

- g) How to proceed when placing a ship in dry dock and directing repairs, and when putting into port in distress with damage to cargo and ship.
- (h.) Any other question of a like nature appertaining to the management of a ship which the Examiner may think it necessary to ask.
- (i.) Also questions on the additional subjects which are specified in the rules of examination for masters' certificates of competency for foreign-going steamships.

Certificates for Foreign-going Fore-and-aft-rigged Vessels.

38. Certificates for the grades of master, first mate, only mate, and second mate of fore-and-aft-rigged vessels will be issued to candidates who have not complied with the regulation which requires them to have served at least one year in square-rigged sailing-vessels, or who prove in course of examination that they are ignorant of the management of square-rigged ships. In other respects the qualifications for examination for such certificates are the same as for ordinary certificates.

39. The examinations for the grades of second mate, only mate, first mate, and master of fore-and-aft-rigged vessels will be precisely the same as for the ordinary certificates, excepting that in seamanship a knowledge of the management of square-rigged vessels is not required.

40. A certificate for fore-and-aft-rigged vessels will not entitle the possessor to act in any case in which a certificate for square-rigged vessels is required. Amongst square-rigged vessels are classed full-rigged ships, barques, brigs, barquentines, brigantines, and steamships carrying square sails.

41. A candidate possessing a certificate for fore-and-aft-rigged vessels, and desiring to be examined for an ordinary certificate, must prove that he has served at sea at least one year in a square-rigged sailing-vessel, unless he has previously held an ordinary certificate of a lower grade.

Certificates for Foreign-going Steamships.

42. Certificates applying only to steamships are issued to candidates who are either unable to comply with the regulation which requires them to have passed one year in square-rigged sailing-vessels, or who prove in course of examination that they are ignorant of the management of square-rigged sailing-vessels. All the qualifying officers' service prescribed for these certificates must have been performed in steamships.

These certificates will entitle the holders to go to sea as masters or mates of foreign-going steamships, but will not entitle them to go to sea as masters or mates of foreign-going sailing-ships.

There will be no distinction in these certificates between fore-and-aft-rigged steamships and square-rigged steamships.

43. SECOND MATE.—The qualifications as to age and service are the same as for an ordinary second mate's certificate (see par. 28), excepting that no service in square-rigged sailing-vessels is required.

44. *Examination in Navigation.*—The examination in navigation for a second mate's certificate for foreign-going steamships will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an ordinary second mate's certificate.

45. *Examination in Seamanship.*—The candidate must understand and be able to give satisfactory answers on the following subjects:—

- (a.) The standing and running rigging of steamships.
- (b.) Bending, unbending, setting, reefing, taking in, and furling sail.
- (c.) Sending masts and yards up and down, &c.
- (d.) Seeing everything in readiness and clear for getting under way, and the precautions to be then observed with regard to engines, propeller, &c.
- (e.) Management of a steamship when under canvas.
- (f.) Management of a ship's boat in heavy weather.
- (g.) Dunnaging and stowing cargo, &c.
- (h.) The rule of the road as regards both steamers and sailing-vessels, their regulation lights and fog- and sound-signals.
- (i.) Signals of distress, and signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals.
- (j.) The marking and use of the lead- and log-lines.
- (k.) The construction, use, and action of the sluices, and of the water-ballast tanks.
- (l.) Engine-room telegraph, &c.
- (m.) Use and management of the rocket apparatus in the event of a vessel being stranded.
- (n.) Any other questions of a like nature appertaining to the duties of the second mate of a steamship which the Examiner may think necessary to ask.

46. ONLY MATE.—The qualifications as to age and service are the same as for an only mate's ordinary certificate (see par. 31), excepting that no service in square-rigged vessels is required.

47. FIRST MATE.—The qualifications as to age and service are the same as for a first mate's ordinary certificate (see par. 32), excepting that the service required as officer must have been in steamships, and that no service in square-rigged vessels is required.

48. *Examination in Navigation.*—The examination in navigation for an only or first mate's certificate for foreign-going steamships will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an ordinary first mate's certificate. (See par. 33.)

49. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required for a second mate's certificate, an only or first mate will be required to show a knowledge of the following subjects:—

- (a.) Shifting large spars; rigging shears; and taking lower masts in and out.
- (b.) How to moor and unmoor ship; keep a clear anchor; and to carry out an anchor.
- (c.) Management of a steamship in stormy weather.
- (d.) How to rig purchases for getting heavy weights, anchors, machinery, &c., in and out.
- (e.) How to dispose various kinds of cargo and weights, in a stiff and in a tender vessel.
- (f.) Ventilation of holds, and the stowage of explosives.
- (g.) The effects of the screw-race upon the rudder; and the effect produced on the direction of the head of the ship by going [ahead] [astern] with a [right] [left] handed screw when the rudder is [ported] [starboarded]; also, the effect of twin-screws under the same conditions, and when going ahead with one and reversing the other, &c., &c.
- (h.) How to rig a sea-anchor, and what means to employ to keep a steamer, with her machinery disabled, out of the trough of the sea, and to lessen her lee drift.
- (i.) How to turn a steamship short round.
- (j.) How to get a cast of the deep-sea lead in heavy weather.
- (k.) Any other questions of a like nature appertaining to the duties of a first mate of a steamship which the Examiner may think necessary to put to him.

50. MASTER.—The qualifications as to age and service are the same as for a master's ordinary certificate for a foreign-going ship (see par. 35), excepting that the service required as officer must have been performed in steamships, and that no service in square-rigged vessels is required.

51. *Examination in Navigation.*—The examination in navigation for a master's certificate for foreign-going steamships will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an ordinary master's certificate. (See par. 36.)

52. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required for the grades of second and first mate, a master will be required to show a knowledge of the following subjects:—

- (a.) Construction of rafts and jury-rudders suitable for screw steamships.
- (b.) The preservation of the ship's crew in the event of wreck.
- (c.) Management of steamships in heavy weather.
- (d.) Rescuing the crew of a disabled ship.
- (e.) Steps to be taken when a vessel is on her beam-ends, or disabled and on a lee shore.
- (f.) How to use steam-appliances in the event of fire.
- (g.) The best arrangement for towing vessels under different circumstances.
- (h.) Placing ship in dry-dock; directing repairs; and the mode of procedure when putting into port in distress with damage to cargo and ship.
- (i.) Any other questions of a like nature, appertaining to the management of a steamship, which the Examiner may think it necessary to put to him.

53. A candidate possessing a certificate for foreign-going steamships, and desiring to be examined for an ordinary certificate, must prove that he has served at sea at least one year in a square-rigged sailing-vessel, unless he has previously held an ordinary certificate of a lower grade.

Certificates for Home-trade Passenger-ships.

54. MATE.—A candidate must be not less than nineteen years of age, and have served four years at sea.

55. *Examination in Navigation.*—He must write a legible hand, and spell correctly, and understand the first five rules of arithmetic, both simple and compound. He must be able to take a bearing by compass, be conversant with the use of Mercator's chart, and be able to find, on either a "true" or "magnetic" chart, the course to steer, and the distance, from one given position to another; to find the ship's position on the chart from cross-bearings of two objects, and from two bearings of the same object, the course and distance run between taking the bearings being given, also the distance of the ship from the object at the time of taking the second bearing. He must also pass an examination in the International Code of Signals.

56. *Examination in Seamanship.*—He must possess a thorough knowledge of the rule of the road as regards both steamers and sailing-vessels, their regulation lights, and fog- and sound-signals. He must be able to describe the signals of distress, and the signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals; also the use and management of the rocket apparatus in the event of his vessel being stranded. He must be able to mark and use the lead- and log-lines, to moor and unmoor a vessel, and to manage a ship's boat in heavy weather, &c. He must also understand the construction, use, and action of the bulkhead-sluices, the engineering telegraph, &c., and to answer any other questions of a like nature appertaining to the duties of the mate of a home-trade passenger-ship which the Examiner may think proper to put to him.

57. *Master.*—A candidate must be not less than twenty years of age, and have served five years at sea, of which—

- (a.) One year must have been in a capacity not lower than that of only mate of a home-trade or coasting vessel, whilst holding a mate's certificate for home-trade passenger-ships, or an only mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels;
- (b.) Or, two and a half years must have been in a capacity not lower than second mate of a home-trade or coasting vessel *in charge of a watch*, whilst holding a mate's certificate for home-trade passenger-ships or a second mate's certificate for foreign-going vessels (see par. 107);
- (c.) Or, one year must have been as pilot with a first-class pilot's certificate (see par. 104).

58. *Examination in Navigation.*—In addition to the qualifications required of a mate of a home-trade passenger-ship, a master will be required to find on a chart the course to steer by compass in order to counteract the effect of a given current, and to find the distance the ship will make good towards a given point in a certain time, and to work out practically the correction to apply to soundings taken at a given time and place, to compare with the depth marked on the chart, &c. He will also be required to understand the use of the quadrant, to be able to observe with it, to read off and on the arc, and to find the index error by the horizon. He will also be required to find the latitude by a meridian altitude of the sun, and to give written answers to certain practical questions on the subject of the deviation of the compass. (See also supplementary *vivâ voce* test, par. 149.)

59. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required of a mate of a home-trade passenger-ship, a master must understand how to rig a sea-anchor, and what means to apply to keep a steamship with machinery disabled out of the trough of the sea; also how to get a cast of the lead in heavy weather, &c. He will be examined as to his resources for the preservation of the crew and passengers in the event of wreck, and the steps to be taken if his vessel is disabled and drifting towards a lee shore, and will be required to answer any other questions appertaining to the management of a home-trade passenger-ship which the Examiner may think necessary to put to him.

Rules for the Examination of Masters for Steamships plying within Restricted Limits.

60. *General.*—Candidates for examination must make a proper application, on a form which will be supplied on application at any Customhouse. This application, accompanied with the necessary testimonials, must be lodged at the Customhouse for delivery to the Examiners. Certificates procured on false information will be cancelled.

61. All candidates for certificates must pass the examination in colours.

62. *Master.*—A master of a steamer plying within restricted limits must be twenty-one years of age, and must have served at least one year at sea, or on board of a vessel plying within harbour limits. He must produce satisfactory testimonials of good conduct and sobriety. He must be able to read and write, and understand the five rules of arithmetic. He must understand the rules of the road as regards both steamers and sailing-vessels, their regulation lights and fog- and sound-signals, International Code of Signals, harbour regulations, and the colonial bar and tidal signals.

NOTE.—Time served in steamers plying within restricted limits does not count as service at sea for the purpose of obtaining a certificate for a sea-going ship.

Extra Certificates.

63. *Certificates as Extra Master.*—An extra master's certificate will entitle the holder to go to sea as master of any vessel, sailing or steam.

The examination is voluntary, and intended for such persons as wish to prove their superior qualifications, and are desirous of having certificates of the highest grade granted by the Board of Trade.

The extra examination may take place when the applicant is qualified to go up for examination for an ordinary master's

certificate, or at any time subsequent to his having passed the examination for that certificate.

64. *Examination in Navigation.*—The candidate will be required to work out and show the construction of any four of the problems* prescribed for the ordinary certificates, and to satisfy the Examiner in the oral subjects prescribed for those certificates. He must also be prepared to be examined in any of the following subjects, showing the construction of all the problems:—

- (a.) To work a lunar observation by either sun, star, or planet; and to compute the altitudes when they are not given.
- (b.) To find the latitude from double altitudes of the sun or of a star.
- (c.) To determine, from simultaneous observations of two different stars, the position of the ship and the true bearing of the stars, by Sumner's method. The candidate may either determine the four longitudes from the two assumed latitudes which will be given, or solve the question in any other way he may choose.
- (d.) To find the error of a chronometer from the altitude of the sun or of a star, observed with an artificial or with the natural horizon.
- (e.) To explain clearly in writing the principles of (1) great-circle sailing, (2) windward great-circle sailing, (3) composite great-circle sailing; and their advantages and disadvantages.
- (f.) To show approximately on a terrestrial globe the great-circle track, and the distance from one given position to another; also the latitude and longitude of vertex, and the longitude from vertex; and to explain how the track can then be transferred to a Mercator's chart. Occasionally the candidate will be required to lay the track down on a chart.
- (g.) To determine the initial great-circle course, and the distance from one given position to another, the latitude and longitude of vertex, the longitude from vertex, and the latitudes and longitudes through which the great circle will pass; laying the track, composite or otherwise, down on a Mercator's chart, and explaining briefly how the course and distance from one point to another on this track is then found. This problem may, subject to the decision of the Examiner, be solved either by calculation, or by any tables, graphic method, or great-circle chart, known to and preferred by the candidate, and it will usually be set so as to leave the choice of method to the candidate.
- (h.) To draw a figure, and write down the trigonometrical ratios.
- (i.) Right-angled plane trigonometry; deducing and writing down the formula for each computation in the problem given.
- (j.) Oblique-angled plane trigonometry; deducing and writing down the formula, or the rule, for each computation in the problem given.
- (k.) To give Napier's rules for circular parts for the solution of right-angled spherical triangles, explaining clearly how the different angles and sides are considered in deducing the formulæ.
- (l.) Right-angled spherical trigonometry.
- (m.) The laws of the deviation of the compass in iron ships.
- (n.) To construct a Mercator's chart.
- (o.) The law of storms. The candidate to write a paper of what he knows of this subject.

He must be prepared to answer *vivâ voce* questions on the following subjects:—

- (p.) The leading principles of the construction of the sextant and of the vernier.
- (q.) The civil duties of a shipmaster, in which he will be expected to show a more extensive knowledge than a candidate for an ordinary master's certificate.

The construction of the problems mentioned above must be shown as follows:—

- (a.) A circle should be drawn projected on the plane of the horizon—unless the problem can be shown better otherwise—and a correct figure drawn in it, the magnitude of the sides and angles being estimated approximately by the eye.
- (b.) The sides and angles used in solving the problem should be marked by distinguishing letters in the figure, and the candidate should for each fresh computation write down clearly what is given and

* Either of the chart papers, Exn. 9c or Exn. 9d, may be given as one of these four problems.

† Two or three of these problems may usually be omitted, but all those set in the examination-papers given to the candidate must be worked.

what he is required to find, together with the formula which he proposes to use.

- (c.) Opposite each quantity in the computation he should put the letters denoting the part of the triangle which it represents, writing "comp" before the letters when the quantity is the complement of that part of the triangle.

Candidates will not be required to enter into the mathematical investigation of the rules and formulae used in the solution of problems involving oblique-angled spherical triangles, but credit will be given to any candidate showing such knowledge. When, however, a problem or part of a problem is solved by right-angled spherical trigonometry, the simple process of deducing the formula from the figure by Napier's rules for circular parts or other method must be shown.

Where a problem is solved by right-angled plane trigonometry, the simple process of deducing the formula from the figure for each of the computations in it must be shown.

The rule for finding the latitude by meridian altitude must be proved by the figure.

65. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required of an ordinary master, an extra master will be expected to give satisfactory answers to any questions in practical seamanship that the Examiner may put to him.

66. Extra certificates for steamships will also be issued, subject to the examination described below, to officers who can show the necessary service in steamships. The certificates will be marked "For steamships only," and will only entitle the holders to go to sea as masters of steamships.

The examination is open to all who are qualified to go up for a certificate as master of a foreign-going steamship, or who have already obtained this certificate. It is open also to candidates who have failed in the examination for an extra master's certificate to show the requisite knowledge of the management of square-rigged sailing-vessels, provided they can prove the necessary amount of officer's service in steamships. (See par. 21.)

67. *Examination in Navigation.*—The examination in navigation for an extra master's certificate for steamships will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an extra master's certificate.

68. *Examination in Seamanship.*—In addition to the qualifications required of a master of a foreign-going steamship, the extra master will be expected to give satisfactory answers to any questions appertaining to the management of a steamship that the Examiner may put to him.

Certificates for Pleasure Yachts.

69. The examination for these certificates is purely voluntary, and is confined to persons who command their own sea-going pleasure yachts. A master of a yacht who is not also the sole owner, or who is under twenty-one years of age, is not eligible for examination.

70. Only one description of certificate will be issued, whether the yacht is foreign-going or cruises within the home-trade limits.

The certificate will not entitle the holder to command any vessel except the pleasure yacht or yachts of which he is at the time the sole registered owner.

71. Candidates are not required to have served any specified time afloat, as it is believed that their sea-knowledge will be sufficiently tested by the examination they will have to pass in seamanship.

72. Testimonials of service need not be shown, but a candidate for examination will be required to produce a statutory declaration to the effect (1) that he is sole owner of the yacht; (2) that the yacht is sea-going; (3) that it is not to be used for trading purposes. He will also be required to fill up the form of application (Form Exn. 2), and pay the fee of £2, at a Mercantile Marine Office, as prescribed in par. 3.

73. In all other respects the regulations relating to examinations of masters of foreign-going ships will apply in these cases.

74. *Examination in Navigation.*—The examination in navigation for a yacht-master's certificate will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an ordinary master's certificate, except that in the civil duties of a shipmaster the master of a yacht will only be expected to possess a knowledge of what he is required to do by the Shipping and Seamen's Acts.

75. *Examination in Seamanship.*—He must give satisfactory answers as to his knowledge of making and taking in sail, and as to the management of a yacht under canvas in moderate and in stormy weather. He must have a thorough knowledge of the rule of the road at sea as regards both steamers and sailing-vessels, their regulation lights and fog- and sound-signals; and be able to describe the signals of distress, and the signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals. He must also understand the use and

management of the rocket apparatus in the event of his vessel being stranded. He must be able to mark and use the lead- and log- lines; to cast a vessel on a lee shore; to moor and unmoor a ship; to keep a clear anchor, and to carry out an anchor. He must know how to keep his vessel out of the trough of the sea in the event of accident; how to rig rafts and jury-rudders, &c.; and what steps to take if his vessel is disabled or unmanageable and drifting toward a lee shore. He will also be examined as to the resources for the preservation of the crew in the event of wreck. He must also possess a knowledge of the measures he should adopt for preventing and checking an outbreak of scurvy on board; and be prepared to answer any other questions relating to the management of a yacht, either steam or sailing, which the Examiner may ask.

76. *Extra Master of Yacht.*—An extra certificate will be issued to the owner of a yacht who either holds, or is qualified to be examined for, a yacht-master's certificate, subject to the following examination.

77. *Examination in Navigation.*—The examination in navigation will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an extra master's certificate. (See par. 64.)

78. *Examination in Seamanship.*—The subjects of examination in seamanship will be the same as those prescribed for a yacht-master's certificate, but the candidate for an extra certificate will be expected to show a more extensive practical knowledge than is required of a candidate for the yacht-master's certificate.

Voluntary Examination in Compass-deviation.

79. Any person holding a certificate of any grade in the foreign or home trade, or as master of his own pleasure yacht, who wishes to pass a voluntary examination in compass-deviation, can at any time be examined upon filling up the usual form of application, and paying to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office the fee of £1. If the candidate passes the examination a note to that effect will be made upon his certificate.

Voluntary Examination in Steam.

80. These examinations are provided for the purpose of giving masters and mates who are possessed of certificates of competency an opportunity of undergoing a voluntary examination as to their practical knowledge of the use and working of the steam-engine.

81. The examination is open to any person who holds a certificate of any grade in the foreign or home trade, or as master of his own pleasure yacht. Candidates should fill up the form of application (Form Exn. 2) at a Mercantile Marine Office, pay the fee of £1, and deposit their certificates with the Superintendent. The Superintendent will inform the applicant when and where to attend to be examined. If the candidate fails to pass, his certificate will be at once returned to him.

82. If he passes, the report (Exn. 14) will be sent to the Marine Department with the certificate of competency, together with the Form Exn. 2; and the words "Certified to have passed in steam," with the date and place of examination, will then be entered on the certificate and its counterpart, and the certificate will be sent to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office of the port named in the Form Exn. 2, and be delivered to the candidate in the usual manner.

83. If a candidate fails he may not present himself for re-examination until the expiration of three months from the date of failure.

84. The examination is for the most part *visà voce*, and extends to a general knowledge of the practical use and working of the steam-engine, and of the various valves, fittings- and pieces of machinery connected with it; and of the way in which electric lighting is carried out on board ship. Intricate theoretical questions on calculations of horse-power or areas of cylinders and valves, or any of the more difficult questions relating to steam-engines and boilers, will not be asked. The examination will, in fact, be confined to the duties which a master of a steam-vessel may be called upon to perform in the case of the death, incapacity, or delinquency of the engineer.

85. Examiners are to satisfy themselves that the candidates know the names and understand the uses of the various parts of engines and boilers, and their connecting-pipes, valves, cocks, &c. Practical knowledge, as distinguished from theories and abstruse calculations, is to be the test of the candidate's fitness to have his certificate endorsed.

86. The Examiner should arrange to conduct part of the examination in the engine-room of a steamship, unless from circumstances he finds it impossible to do so; but, in the event of the candidate passing, the Examiner should state in writing what circumstances prevented a visit to an engine-room. If an opportunity offers, the candidate should be permitted, under the guidance of the Examiner, to start and stop the engine of some vessel which may have her steam up.

87. The Examiner, in sending in his report of the examination, should state where the examination has been held.

88. Candidates will be required to give written answers to sixteen out of twenty questions taken from a book of elementary questions published for the Marine Department.* These questions will be altered from time to time without notice. The twenty questions are not to be difficult, theoretical, or book questions, but are to be such as any man of ordinary capacity who has any practical knowledge of the use and working of the steam-engine ought to answer.

89. These questions, with the candidate's answers, should be sent to the Marine Department with the reports, after each examination.

90. If a candidate refers to any book, or paper, or memorandum, or obtains information from another candidate during the examination, he will be treated as having failed, will forfeit his fee, and will not be allowed to be re-examined for a period of three months.

91. The Examiners will report, in the case of failure, the nature of the question or questions that decided the failure, or the point in the management of the engine in which the candidate was deficient.

92. There is nothing in the regulations requiring that applicants for the voluntary examination shall have served on board steamships; all that is required is that they shall have a practical knowledge of the use and working of the steam-engine. Examiners will not fail to appreciate the fact that practical knowledge is best gained in the engine-room; and the examination of an officer who does not produce official evidence of service in steamships and of experience of engines must necessarily be more searching than in the case of one who produces evidence of such service and experience.

RULES FOR ESTIMATING SEA-SERVICE.

93. In these regulations sea-service is reckoned from the commencement to the termination of the voyage. The certificates of discharge will generally be accepted as proof of sea-service. Superintendents and Examiners will be careful to see that these discharges have not been in any way tampered with, and will report any suspicious cases to the Marine Department.

94. For foreign-going certificates the term "sea-service" means, unless otherwise stated, service performed in foreign-going vessels.

95. For home-trade passenger-ship certificates service in the home or coasting trade is regarded as equivalent to service in the foreign trade; but for foreign-going certificates it is regarded as only equivalent to two-thirds of the time served in the foreign trade.

96. By the word "certificate" is meant a certificate of competency granted by the Board of Trade under the Merchant Shipping Act or by the Government of a British possession under an Order in Council issued in pursuance of the Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act, 1869, and the Shipping and Seamen's Acts, 1877-1894.

97. Where a foreign-going certificate is required in order to qualify a candidate for examination, the certificate may be either an ordinary certificate, or a certificate for fore-and-aft-rigged vessels, or a certificate for foreign-going steamships.

98. The term "pilot" in these regulations (see pars. 32 and 57) means a pilot who is employed in general pilotage, and holds a first-class pilot's certificate from some competent authority authorising him to pilot vessels outside harbour and partially smooth-water limits.

99. Officer's service, to be recognised as such, must be performed with the requisite certificate. The officer's service performed by men who have been duly promoted during the course of a voyage (see par. 103), or who, in consequence of serving in vessels plying between ports abroad, have been unable to obtain the necessary certificates, may, however, be recognised, provided that it is in other respects satisfactory.

100. Foreign officers who wish to apply for a British certificate of competency must in all cases have performed their qualifying officer's service with the requisite British certificate. The service may have been performed in foreign vessels if the candidate can produce satisfactory testimonials to conduct and character, and is able to prove that the service has been in the required capacities, and that during the period of service he has held a British certificate of competency of the rank required by the regulations. (See par. 105.)

101. When service in charge of a watch in either the foreign or home trade is specified in the regulations the candidate will have to prove that during the whole of the time claimed he had the *regular* charge of a watch or watches, which, if in the foreign trade, must amount to not less than eight hours of each twenty-four hours of service. It must be distinctly understood that occasional service in charge of

a watch will not be accepted as mate's service under the regulations. Great care must be exercised by the Examiners and others in regard to such service, and, unless the candidate produces a clear and satisfactory certificate, specially setting forth the above facts, from the master or owner of the vessel in which the service was performed, it must not be accepted.

102. Service as additional or auxiliary first mate, or as auxiliary second mate, when a third mate is carried, in large foreign-going vessels, will count as first mate's or second mate's service, as the case may be, provided that the candidate was entered on the articles in one of these capacities, and that he was, during the whole time claimed, in charge of a watch or watches.

103. Whenever a man has, from any cause, been regularly promoted on the occurrence of a vacancy in the course of the voyage from the rank in which he first shipped, and such promotion, with the ground on which it has been made, is properly entered in the articles and in the official log-book, he will receive credit for his service in the higher grade for the period subsequent to his promotion.

104. Service in a lower grade than first or only mate in the home or coasting trade will not be recognised as officer's service towards qualifying a candidate for examination for a foreign-trade certificate.

105. The testimonials of service of foreigners and of British officers and seamen serving in foreign vessels, which cannot be verified by the Marine Department, must be confirmed either by the Consul of the country to which the ship in which the candidate served belonged, or by some other recognised official authority of that country, or by the testimony of some credible person on the spot having personal knowledge of the facts required to be established. The production, however, of such proofs will not of necessity be deemed sufficient. Each case will be decided on its own merits, and if the sufficiency of the proofs given appears to be at all doubtful it must be referred to the Marine Department.

106. Service in vessels with auxiliary power, which use their screws only in calms or during light winds, is considered as service performed in sailing-vessels.

107. In the case of excursion-steamers only such service as can be proved to have been performed at sea will be accepted.

108. Candidates whose service has been performed in capacities other than apprentice, midshipman, cadet, ordinary seaman, or able seaman—*e.g.*, men who have served as carpenter, or sailmaker, or as cook in small vessels where cooking is only a part of a man's duty—will be required to satisfy the Examiner or the Marine Department that they have during the whole time claimed performed deck-duties in addition to their own particular work, and that they have a good knowledge of seamanship. These facts may possibly be proved by the production of satisfactory certificates from the masters with whom the applicant has served; but such service will only be accepted as equivalent to two-thirds of the time served as ordinary deck-hand. Failing satisfactory evidence, the applicant will be required to perform additional service in the capacity of seaman. Service as cook (under other conditions than the above), or as steward, or as purser will not be accepted.

109. Service performed exclusively in trawlers and other deep-sea fishing-vessels or in pilot-vessels will not qualify a candidate for examination. He must, in addition, prove the following service:—

- (1.) For a foreign-going certificate, service for at least eighteen months in an ordinary trading-vessel in the foreign trade, or the equivalent period, twenty-seven months, in the home or coasting trade.
- (2.) For a home-trade passenger-ship certificate service for at least twelve months in an ordinary trading-vessel in the foreign, home, or coasting trade.

110. Service in pleasure yachts will be accepted as qualifying service under the following conditions:—

- (a.) It must in all cases be verified by satisfactory proofs, which must set forth clearly and in detail the nature and duration of the service claimed; and it must be distinctly understood that only actual sea-service will be accepted, and that service in harbour or port is inadmissible.
- (b.) Service in foreign-going yachts will be accepted in full; and service performed within home-trade limits in sailing-yachts of not less than 50 tons net register or in steam-yachts of not less than 80 tons gross register will be accepted in the proportion stated in paragraph 95; but candidates must also show—(1) For a foreign-going certificate, service for at least eighteen months in an ordinary trading-vessel in the foreign trade, or for the equivalent period, twenty-seven months, in an ordinary trading-vessel in the home or coasting trade; (2) for a home-trade passenger-ship certificate, service for at least twelve months in an ordinary trading-vessel in the foreign, home, or coasting trade.

* Printed at the end of the regulations relating to the examination of engineers.

- (c.) Service within home-trade limits in sailing-yachts of 20 tons net register, or in steam-yachts of 40 tons gross register, will be accepted towards qualifying a candidate for a foreign-going certificate as equivalent to half the same time served in the foreign trade; but no amount of such service shall count as more than two years' service in the foreign trade, and no such service shall count as officers' service to qualify candidates for foreign-going certificates.
- (d.) Service within home-trade limits in sailing-yachts of not less than 20 tons net register, or in steam-yachts of not less than 40 tons gross register, will be accepted at the ordinary rate as qualifying service for home-trade passenger-ship certificates; but candidates must prove that they have in addition served for at least twelve months in an ordinary trading-vessel in the foreign, home, or coasting trade.
- (e.) Service within home-trade limits in sailing-yachts of less than 20 tons net register, or in steam-yachts of less than 40 tons gross register, will not be accepted as qualifying service for any class of certificate.

111. Service performed in tugs employed outside partially smooth-water limits may be accepted as sea-service for the purpose of qualifying a candidate for a mate's or master's certificate for home-trade passenger-ships.

112. Service in steam hopper-barges may, subject to the provisions of par. 114, be allowed to count towards qualifying a candidate for a mate's certificate of competency for home-trade passenger-ships, provided the candidate can prove at least two years' service in an ordinary trading-vessel in either the home, coasting, or foreign trade. Service in these steam-hoppers will not be accepted as officer's service towards qualifying a candidate for a master's certificate.

113. Service in lightships or in an engine-room will not be accepted as sea-service.

114. Service performed on rivers, no matter of what size, and service performed within restricted limits, will not be accepted.

Where any doubt whatever exists on this point, the candidate will be required to produce a certificate from the master or owner of the vessel in which the service was performed, before the service can be accepted.

115. Half the time served on board a training-ship will be allowed to count as service at sea up to a limit of one year (*i.e.*, no length of service will be allowed to count as more than one year at sea), provided that the candidate can produce a certificate from the committee that he has conducted himself creditably, and passed a good examination in seamanship, so far as it is practised in the training-ship, as well as in other matters down to the time of his leaving the ship; but this service will not be regarded as equivalent to service in square-rigged vessels.

116. The whole of the time claimed under indentures of apprenticeship will be accepted as actual sea-service, provided—(a) that the indentures have not been cancelled through some fault of the candidate, but are indorsed by the owner or master to whom he was bound to the effect that he has performed his service faithfully during the time he remained as apprentice; and (b) that the candidate has served at sea four-fifths of the time claimed—that is to say, has not spent more than one-fifth of the time in home ports.

In cases where an apprentice is qualified for examination before the expiration of his indentures—*e.g.*, where he has had training-ship or other sea-service prior to being bound, which, together with his actual time as apprentice, makes up four years, or where his indentures are for a period of more than four years—a letter from the owner or master will be accepted in place of the indorsement referred to above.

In the event of the candidate being short of the required four-fifths of the time claimed as apprentice he will be required to show sufficient additional sea-service, either as seaman or junior officer, to make up the four-fifths of the time claimed.

117. The whole of the time served as midshipman or cadet will also be accepted as actual sea-service, though the candidate may not have been bound by indentures, provided the service has been continuous, and that four-fifths of the time claimed as midshipman or cadet has been served.

SERVICE IN THE ROYAL NAVY, AND SERVICE IN THE ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE.

118. Officers of the Royal navy who wish to be examined for certificates of competency in the mercantile marine will be required to prove the following service; and if an officer wishes to obtain the ordinary certificate for foreign going ships he must prove that at least twelve months of this required period was served under sail alone:—

(i.) For second mate: The officer must prove four years' service at sea, or that he has attained the rank of acting sub-lieutenant.

(ii.) For only mate: Five years' service at sea.

(iii.) For first mate or master: The officer must prove that he has attained the rank of sub-lieutenant.

119. Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve who perform sea-service on board Her Majesty's ships in the capacity of lieutenant or sub-lieutenant will be allowed to count such service as if it had been performed on foreign-going merchant ships, and the service will rank according to the certificate of competency held by the candidate at the time.

120. If accompanied by a good report, half the time spent in drill in the Royal Naval Reserve, and in harbour ships of the Royal or colonial navies, will be allowed to count as sea-service, subject to the limit that no such service must amount to more than one-fourth of the time required for the particular grade of certificate applied for.

CONDUCT OF THE EXAMINATIONS.

121. The examinations will commence early in the forenoon, and will be continued from day to day until all the candidates whose names appear upon the list are examined.

122. Candidates are required to appear at the examination-room punctually at the time appointed.

123. Before commencing the examination, the tables or desks must be cleared of all scraps of paper or books that are not used in the examination, and care should be taken that the candidates do not bring into the examination-room any book or paper.

124. No person will be allowed in the room during the examination other than those whose duties require them to be present.

No instructors will be allowed on the premises.

125. Candidates are prohibited from bringing into the examination-room books or papers of any kind whatever. The slightest infringement of this regulation will subject the offender to all the penalties of a failure, and he will not be allowed to present himself for re-examination for a period of three months.

126. No candidate will be allowed to work out his problems on a slate or on waste-paper, or to write on the blotting-paper supplied for his use in the examination. Violation of this rule will subject the candidate to all the penalties of a failure.

A sheet of blotting-paper should be issued to each candidate with the first examination-paper, and it must be returned to the Examiner when the last paper is completed each day. The Examiner will be careful to see that the blotting-paper has not been used by the candidate in solving his problems, or for conveying information to other candidates.

127. All instruments necessary for use in the examinations are supplied by the Marine Department.

128. No candidate may leave the examination-room without permission, and without giving up the paper on which he is engaged. Under no circumstances will a candidate be allowed to leave the building while the examination is proceeding. Violation of this rule will subject the candidate to all the penalties of a failure.

129. Candidates should be so placed as to prevent one copying from the other, and no communication whatever between the candidates should be allowed.

130. In the event of any candidate being discovered referring to any book or paper, or copying from another, or affording any assistance, or giving any information to another, or communicating in any way with another during the time of examination, or copying any part of the problems for the purpose of taking them out of the examination-rooms, he will subject himself to all the penalties of a failure, and will not be allowed to be examined for a period of six months.

131. If a candidate defaces, blots, writes in, or otherwise injures any book or form belonging to the Marine Department, his papers will be retained until he has replaced the damaged book or document. He will not be allowed to remove the damaged book or document, and will be subjected to all the penalties of a failure.

132. Perfect silence is to be preserved in the examination-room.

133. Any candidate violating any of the regulations, or being guilty of insolence to the Examiner, or of disorderly or improper conduct in or about the room, will render himself liable to the postponement of his examination, or, if he has passed, to the detention of his certificate for such period as the Marine Department may direct.

134. The envelopes containing the examination-papers when received from Wellington must on no account be opened by any other officer than the Examiner, and by him only at the commencement of the examination. Should the envelope containing the examination-papers appear to have been opened or in any way tampered with on its arrival from Wellington, the Examiner should, if he thinks it necessary defer the examination until the following day, and telegraph immediately to the Principal Examiner in Wellington for a

fresh set of papers. In the event of any case of this kind occurring, a full report of the circumstances, and of the steps taken in the matter, should be immediately forwarded to the Principal Examiner. After the envelopes have been opened, and until the examination-papers are again sealed up and despatched to Wellington, the Examiner is expected to take special precautions to preclude the possibility of any person having access to them. The responsibility of insuring that this is effectually done will rest with the Examiner. The examination-papers of candidates must in all cases be sent to the Principal Examiner in Wellington for his approval, together with the report of the examination on the Form Exn. 14. The envelopes in which the examination papers are returned to the Principal Examiner must be carefully sealed with the official seal at both the top and bottom, and this must be done under the eye of the Examiner.

135. The examination-papers should be issued to the candidates in half-sheets only, and one at a time. This will prevent a candidate from spreading out the sheets on the table so as to enable his neighbour to look over the problems. It will also enable the Examiner to look over and report upon the work on one half-sheet while the candidate is at work upon another. When the errors are not too numerous the incorrect problems may be returned to the candidate for correction, but in no case should the errors be pointed out by the Examiner, neither should any marks be made which would indicate how far or to what extent the work is incorrect. The incorrect problems are not to be returned to the candidate for correction a second time, and should more than one of the problems—or two if the errors are only slight—be still incorrect, this would involve a failure. It must be understood, however, that the day's work, latitude by meridian altitude of sun and star, chronometer problem by sun and star, and the Sumner problem, must always be correct.

136. At those ports where, from the large number of candidates, it may sometimes be found impossible to look over the work on the day of examination during the office-hours, an hour in the morning of the following day may be allotted for the purpose of correcting the problems, but in no case should a candidate have his problem returned to him for correction after he has made the second attempt.

137. In the examinations for extra certificates for foreign-going ships and for steamships the candidate will be required to complete the whole of his problems and other papers, and they will then be dealt with by the Examiner on the mark system. If the candidate does not obtain 85 per cent. of the total number of marks allotted for the papers he will be declared to have failed.

138. The examination will commence with a quarter of an hour's dictation to test handwriting and spelling. This, however, is only to be given to those candidates who present themselves for examination for the first time for a foreign-going certificate. The spelling must be reasonably and fairly good, and the writing clear and legible. The spelling and writing of all candidates must be satisfactory, and in cases where there is any doubt about the ability of a candidate to spell correctly he will be specially tested by dictation.

139. The paper of definitions is only for those candidates who present themselves for examination for the first time for a foreign-going certificate. In using this paper, the Examiner will place a mark against the questions which he wishes to be answered, not less than ten questions being so selected. The candidate will then write against the questions so marked his definition of the terms in a clear and legible hand, so as to prevent the possibility of any letter being mistaken, and also draw a rough sketch or diagram opposite to each of the questions to which he has given written answers, in further illustration of its meaning. *Vivá voce* questions will be asked on the answers given. (See par. 149.)

140. In the questions on the deviation of the compass, the Examiner will mark at least twelve of the questions, including the problems. The selected questions will be varied frequently, and no two candidates will have precisely the same questions. The candidate will be furnished with sheets of the blank ruled paper which is supplied for the purpose, with instructions that he is to write only on one side of the paper, and to answer in a clear and legible hand each of the questions against which a mark is placed, and to commence each answer by writing down the number of the question to which it relates in the margin. In answering question 39, on the tentative method of compass-adjustment, the candidate will be tested by Beall's compass-deviascope, and it will not therefore be necessary for him to give the written answer and sketches. A candidate for an extra master's certificate will not be required to answer the questions on compass-deviation on Form Exn. 7, but will be examined in the syllabus and with the compass deviascope.

141. The examination on the barometer, thermometer, and hydrometer, prevailing winds and currents of the globe, trade routes, and tides, will for the present be conducted orally, and the questions asked by the Examiner, which will

be constantly varied, will be confined to and based on the information given in the text-books. Candidates will be required to have a fair and intelligent knowledge of the contents of those books.

142. Particular attention should be paid to the adjustments of the sextant, the examination in which subject will be conducted orally and practically. Every candidate will be examined practically as to his knowledge of the adjustments and the use of the various screws; he must be able to read correctly off the arc, a supposed index error being given by the Examiner as additive, as well as reading on the arc in the usual way; he must also be able to find the index error both by the horizon and by the sun.

143. Candidates will find it more convenient, both during the examination and at sea, to correct the declination and other elements from the "Nautical Almanac" by the hourly differences given in that work; they will thereby render themselves independent of any proportional or logarithmic table for that purpose.

144. The corrections by inspection of tables given in some of the works on navigation—*e.g.*, Tables IX., XI., and XXI. in Norie's Epitome—will not be allowed; every correction must appear on the papers of the candidates.

145. All outstanding or minor corrections should appear in the margin of each problem paper and on the chart papers, and the papers of the candidates will not be considered complete without these corrections.

146. Examiners should bear in mind that the problems to be solved are required as tests, and for the purposes of an examination, and not for sea-going or practical purposes alone.

147. Candidates will be allowed to work out the various problems according to the method and the tables they have been accustomed to use.

148. All the problems given in the examinations, both for the ordinary and for the extra certificates, will be constantly varied; and the mode of stating the times in the astronomical problems, and the mode of wording and setting these and all other problems, will be varied in every possible way, so as to insure that the candidate has a proper knowledge of the subject.

149. Candidates are expected not only to give correct written answers to the questions set in the papers, but also to possess an intelligent knowledge of the various subjects prescribed in the regulations. The Examiner will therefore put a few *vivá voce* questions to the candidate as the papers are brought up for inspection or during the course of the examination. The questions, which will be based on the papers set, will be such that the Examiner may satisfy himself that the candidate possesses a real knowledge of what he has written.

150. When an Examiner finds it necessary to fail a candidate in this supplementary *vivá voce* test, a statement to that effect will be made on the candidate's examination-papers before they are forwarded to the Principal Examiner in Wellington.

Time allowed.

151. Candidates for second mate's ordinary certificates must complete the whole of the examination in navigation in nine hours, including the time allowed for writing the definitions on Form Exn. 4a, the paper on the chart, and the correction of all errors and oversights; but the quarter of an hour's dictation, and all the nautical problems excepting the chart paper, must be completed within six hours, and without the candidates leaving the premises during that period.

152. Candidates for only and first mates' ordinary certificates must complete the whole of the examination in navigation in twelve hours,* including the time allowed for the papers on the chart, cyclones or revolving storms, and for the correction of all errors and oversights; but the nautical problems up to and including (*k*) of the syllabus prescribed for only and first mate must be completed within six hours, and without the candidates leaving the premises during that period.

153. Candidates for ordinary certificates as master must complete the whole of the examination in navigation in fifteen hours, including the time allowed for the papers on the chart, compass-deviation, cyclones or revolving storms, and for the correction of all errors and oversights; but the problems up to and including (*k*) of the syllabus prescribed for only and first mate must be completed within six hours, and without the candidates leaving the premises during that period.

154. Candidates for certificates for foreign-going steamships will be allowed the same amount of time to complete their navigation-work as is allowed in the case of ordinary certificates.

155. Candidates for certificates as masters of pleasure yachts will be allowed the same amount of time for com-

* A candidate who is not applying for a second mate's certificate, and who has not previously passed an examination, may be allowed the time allotted to dictation and writing the definitions on Form Exn. 4a, in addition to the above.

pleting the examination as the candidates for ordinary masters' certificates.

156. Candidates for home-trade mates' certificates must complete the whole of their arithmetical, chart, and other papers within eight hours, and candidates for home-trade masters' certificates within ten hours.

157. The time allowed for candidates for extra certificates to complete the whole of the problems and writings, including the compass syllabus, must not exceed twenty-six hours.

158. A period not exceeding eleven hours will be allowed to candidates for the completion of the whole of the examination in the compass syllabus, including the correction of all errors and oversights in both the problems and writings.

159. Punctually at the expiration of the prescribed time all papers will be collected, whether completed or not. If the papers are not completed, the candidate will be declared to have failed, unless the Examiner sees fit to lengthen the period in any special case. Where such an extension of time is granted, the case must be fully reported to the Principal Examiner on the Form Exn. 14.

160. The periods prescribed in the foregoing paragraphs are not intended to include the time occupied by the *viva voce* part of the examination.

161. In the *viva voce* examination a reasonable time should be allowed for the candidate to give his answers. No assistance should be given or leading question put.

162. It is anticipated that few candidates will require the whole of the time allowed for completing the examination in navigation, but ample time has been given, so that the work may be done carefully and be clear and legible.

163. Candidates, after finishing the problems required in the various grades on the first day of examination, should proceed, until the end of that day, with such subjects as the definitions, chart, questions relating to cyclones, and compass-deviation.

164. The Sumner problem must on no account be given out to any of the candidates on the first day of the examination, but should form the commencement of the candidates' work on the second day. On completion of this problem the candidates for masters' certificates should proceed with the problems (a) (b) (c) of the syllabus for that grade.

165. Degree of precision required in the solution of the problems:—

- (a.) Candidates are expected to work out their answers to all problems where the answer required is a latitude, longitude, or distance within $1\frac{1}{2}'$ of position from a correct result; in finding the ship's position by Sumner's method a margin of $2\frac{1}{2}'$ will be allowed.
- (b.) In such problems as the "amplitude" and "alt-azimuth," where the bearing, deviations, &c., only are required, a margin of 3' or 4' from a correct result will be sufficiently accurate.
- (c.) In no problem is the candidate for an ordinary certificate required by the Regulations to correct for *second differences* in taking out the quantities from the "Nautical Almanac."
- (d.) In solving the time-azimuth problems an answer not exceeding half a degree from the exact result will be sufficiently near. But in all cases the actual latitude, declination, and time used, together with the exact bearing from the north or south as given in the tables, must be clearly shown by the candidate on his papers.
- (e.) In computing the time at which a given star will be on the observer's meridian, and the name of the stars near the meridian (sections b and e of par. 33), an approximation only is required, and it will be sufficiently precise if the candidate works throughout with the nearest minute of time. In computing the approximate meridian altitude of a star (section g), working throughout with the nearest minute of arc will also be sufficiently close.
- (f.) In interpolating for the correct deviation to be applied in solving the chart questions, it will usually be sufficient if the candidate works throughout with the nearest degree of deviation taken from the deviation-card; and even in cases where the deviations may vary but little, the nearest half-degree used throughout will be sufficiently precise. It is not necessary that the candidate should waste his time in solving the course to odd minutes, as is sometimes done.
- (g.) In calculating the correction to apply to soundings the candidate is not required to work to the exact inch, as is sometimes done. It will be sufficient if he brings his answer within half a foot or so of a precise result.
- (h.) In the lunar problem a difference of 3' in the longitude from the correct answer as deduced by a rigorous method by spherical trigonometry will be allowed.

It must be clearly understood in reading the foregoing instructions as to the precision required, that they only apply when the work of the candidate is correct in principle.

166. A candidate will not be allowed to undergo examination twice in the same week, unless, under very special and urgent circumstances, the Marine Department sees fit to relax this rule. In that case a different set of problems should be given to the candidate.

APPENDIX A.—THE SIGHT-TESTS.

1.—FORM-VISION TEST.

(1.) The test for form-vision is the first test which the candidate is required to undergo, and until he has passed this test he cannot be allowed to proceed further with the examination. (See par. 11.)

(2.) The tests to be used are Snellen's letter test for candidates who can read, and the "dot" tests for those who cannot read.

The sets of tests which have been supplied to the examiners consist respectively of eight sheets of Snellen's letters and two sheets of dots.

(3.) The chief object of the tests for form-vision is to show whether the candidate possesses eyesight of sufficient strength and range, or, in other words, they are means of discovering whether the candidate has good or bad sight.

They also afford a means of detecting whether a candidate is suffering from that form of colour-blindness which is caused by the excessive use of tobacco, and by illness or similar affections. All candidates who are suffering from colour-blindness arising from causes of that nature will be found to be incapable of passing the tests for form-vision.

(4.) Candidates may use both eyes or either eye when being tested, but they must not be allowed to use spectacles or glasses of any kind.

The set of tests is to be hung on the wall, in a good light, at a height of about 5 ft. or 6 ft. from the ground.

(5.) If the candidate can read, he should be placed at a distance of 16 ft. from the letter-test sheets, and exactly opposite them. The distance should be carefully measured, and the candidate should not be allowed to approach within 16 ft. of the test-sheets.

One of the eight sheets of letters should then be exposed, and the candidate should be asked to read the letters, beginning at the top and going downwards. If he can read correctly three of the five letters in the fifth line from the top (third from the bottom), or four of the letters in either of the two lines below he may be considered to have passed the test. If he cannot do so he should be treated as having failed. Candidates should be tested with at least two of the sheets of letters, and the same two sheets should not be used for all candidates.

(6.) The number printed over each row of letters shows the distance in feet at which a person possessing ordinary sight should be able to read the letters in the row.

(7.) If the candidate cannot read he must be tested with the sheets of dots. For this test he is to be placed at a distance of precisely 8 ft. from the test-sheets, and exactly opposite them. One of the sheets of dots is then to be exposed, and the candidate should be asked to name the number of dots in one or two of the lines or groups. Lines and groups of dots can be formed by holding a piece of white paper over part of the sheet, but care must be taken that when this is being done the candidate's view is not obstructed, or the light on the test-sheet in any way obscured.

The Examiner must make sure that the candidate understands what he is required to do.

If the candidate answers the questions put to him by the Examiner with complete or very nearly complete accuracy, he should be treated as having passed. If he does not answer with very nearly complete accuracy, he should be treated as having failed.

(8.) The Examiner must take care, by varying the tests in form-vision, and by every other means, to guard against the possibility of any deception on the part of the candidates.

(9.) Every candidate who fails to pass the form-vision test is to be examined with the pellet test, as follows: The pellets should be placed on a white plate, and the first test-pellet (which is of the same colour as the first wool-test skein) should then be placed a little distance from the box on another white plate. The candidate should be required to pick out and lay by the side of the test-pellet all pellets of the same colour. The same should be done with the second and third test-pellets, and the examination should proceed in the same way as the wool test.

(10.) Should the candidate pass the pellet test, the Form Exn. 17B, together with the remarks of the Examiner, is to be forwarded to the Marine Department for instructions as to whether the candidate is or is not to be regarded as having failed in form-vision.

(11.) Should, however, the candidate fail in the pellet test, thus indicating that the defective form-sense is due to disease, &c., it will not be necessary to submit the case to Wel-

lington, but the Examiner should report the candidate as having failed in form-vision, and in forwarding the usual papers a description of the colours of the pellets incorrectly selected as matches in the respective tests, with any remarks, should be given on the Form Exn. 17c, in the space allotted for the incorrect wools.

(12.) The result of every test in form-vision is to be reported to the Marine Department on the Form Exn. 2, and on Form Exn. 14 when the candidate is up for examination for a certificate, and on Form Exn. 2b when the candidate is up for examination in colours only.

All cases of failure to pass the test are also to be reported to the Marine Department on Form Exn. 17a.

2.—COLOUR-VISION TEST.

(1.) The colour-vision of candidates is to be tested by means of Holmgren's wools.

The wools are always to be kept in the tins provided for the purpose, except when in use at an examination, in order that they may not become faded or dirty. Each set contains about 135 skeins of wool.

(2.) Before the examination commences the skeins should be separated from one another, but each separate skein should be kept tied up as when first received.

The three test-skeins are labelled respectively I. (light-green), IIa. (pink or light-purple), and IIb. (red), and they are always to be used in the order mentioned.

Care must be taken that the labels do not get detached.

The colour-vision test should be held only by daylight. If a good natural light is not obtainable, and artificial light has to be used, the test must be postponed. When the weather is dark or foggy, and a candidate cannot be examined in colours before his examination in navigation commences, he may be allowed to proceed with the examination in navigation provided he is examined in colours on the first available opportunity.*

Full instructions as to the conduct of the examination will be found herein.

(3.) The Examiner, as the examination proceeds, should carefully place on one side the skeins the selection of which by the candidate seems to indicate a defect in colour-vision, taking care to discriminate between those selected as matching the first test-skein, those selected as matching the second test-skein, and those selected as matching the third test-skein.

The skeins which have been correctly selected should be returned to the general heap on the completion of each of the three tests.

(4.) In every case in which the Examiner rejects a candidate, or is in doubt as to whether he should reject him or not, he is, when the examination is finished, to cut a small piece (say, an inch) off every one of the actual skeins incorrectly selected by the candidate, and to stitch the pieces cut off on to Form Exn. 17c, keeping the pieces cut off the skeins selected as matches to the first test-skein in one line, the pieces cut off the skeins selected as matches to the second test-skein in another line, and the pieces cut off the skeins selected as matches to the third test-skein in a third line on the form. The form (Form Exn. 17c), with the pieces of wool attached to it, is then to be forwarded to the Marine Department, with the Examiner's report, on Form Exn. 17b.

The greatest care must be taken that the pieces forwarded are cut off the actual skeins selected by the candidate, in order that there may be a reliable record of the actual selections made by the candidate if any question should subsequently arise.

Pieces need not be cut off the test-skeins, but only off the skeins incorrectly selected by the candidate.

(5.) In cases in which the candidate passes the test, pieces need not be cut off the skeins he has selected.

(6.) When the candidate makes incorrect matches the Examiner should, after each of the three tests, hold up the skeins selected, and ask the candidate if he is satisfied that they all match the test-skein. If he is not satisfied he may be allowed to withdraw any of the skeins he pleases.

(7.) During the test for colour-blindness the Examiner should avoid naming the colours of any of the wools, and should explain to the candidate that he does not require them to be named to him.

In the test for colour-ignorance the candidate has to name three colours. (See under heading "Colour-ignorance Test.")

(8.) As soon as any skein becomes discoloured, or unduly reduced in size (say by one-third) owing to pieces having been cut off it, the matter should be reported to the Marine Department.

(9.) In the remarks which follow reference is made to different kinds of colour-blindness (red-blindness and green-blindness), but the Examiner is not required to form any

conclusion as to the kind of colour-blindness from which the candidate suffers, and should not offer the candidate any opinion on this point.

All that is required is that the Examiner shall conduct the examination according to the rules laid down, and from the wools selected judge whether the candidate is or is not colour-blind, the nature of his colour-blindness being immaterial.

(10.) The result of every test should be reported to the Marine Department on the Form Exn. 2, and on Form Exn. 14 when the candidate is up for examination for a certificate of competency, and on the Form Exn. 2b when the candidate is up for examination in colours only.

All cases of failure should also be reported to the Marine Department on Form Exn. 17b, to which should be attached Form Exn. 17c, containing the pieces of the wools incorrectly selected by the candidate. (See par. 4.)

Holmgren's Method of Testing for Colour.

The method of testing consists in asking the candidate to select from variously-coloured objects those which appear of the same colour as one which the Examiner selects. The most suitable objects and at the same time the most readily obtainable are skeins of wool, which can be procured of almost every desired hue and tone. An advantage of skeins of wool, besides their portability, is that, owing to their want of gloss, they appear of approximately the same tone from whichever side they are viewed. The colours of the skeins to be selected include reds, oranges, yellows, yellowish-greens, pure greens, blue-greens, blues, violets, purples, pinks, browns, and greys. Several shades of each colour, with at least five gradations of each tint, are provided, from the deepest to the lightest greens and greys. Varieties of pinks, blues, and violets, and of light-grey, together with shades of brown, yellow, red, and pink, are well represented. The test-skeins with which the examinees are to compare the other skeins are three in number—(1) a light-green, (2) a pink or pale-purple, and (3) a bright-red. These three colours will suffice to indicate approximately the amount and kind of colour blindness which may exist. The light-green skein, which is a tolerably pure green mixed with a large proportion of white, is chosen as the colour which closely matches the spectrum colour which the red- and green-blind distinguish as white or grey. It is chosen of a pale tint, as it then becomes puzzling to the colour-blind to distinguish its colour by luminosity. A light-grey or drab skein will represent the same brightness to him that this pale colour does, and, although he may be trained to distinguish bright colours by their relative luminosities, in the case of these pale varieties he will be unable to do so. The pink or light-purple is chosen for similar reasons, and in fact it is nearly a complementary colour to the green. The purple is, according to the Young-Helmholtz theory, a mixture of two fundamental colours, the blue and the red, and, as in the green-blind it excites both the blue and red sensations, it may be confused with grey, or with a green. In the red-colour-blind it excites in excess the blue sensations mixed with what they call white. A blue or violet may therefore be matched with it.

The method of examination is as follows:—

The wools are placed in a heap on a large table covered by a white cloth or white paper, and in broad daylight. The first test-skein is taken from the pile, and laid far enough away from the others not to be confounded with them during the examination. The person examined is requested to look carefully at the test-skein, and then to select other skeins from the pile most nearly resembling it in colour, and to place them by the side of the sample. At the outset, it is necessary that he should thoroughly understand that he is required to search the heap for the skeins which make an impression on his chromatic sense or sense of colour similar to that made by the test-skein, and quite independently of any name he may give the colour. The Examiner should explain that resemblance in every respect is not necessary—that there are no two specimens exactly alike; that the only question is the resemblance of the colour; and that, consequently, the candidate must endeavour to find something similar in shade and something lighter and something darker of the same colour. If the person examined cannot succeed in understanding this by a verbal examination, resort must be had to action. The Examiner should himself pick out the skeins, thereby showing in a practical manner what is meant by a shade, and then restore the whole to the pile, except the sample skein. As it would require too much time to examine every individual in this way, it is advisable, when examining large numbers, to instruct them all at once, and to ask them to attentively observe the examination of those preceding them, so as to become more familiar themselves with the process. This saves time, and there is no loss of security, for no one with a defective chromatic sense will be able to find the correct skeins in the heap the more easily from

* When the examination in navigation precedes the colour-tests the candidates should be informed that the examination in navigation will count for nothing if they should fail to pass the colour-tests.

having a moment before seen others looking for and arranging them. He will make the same characteristic mistakes; but the normal observer, on the other hand, will generally accomplish his task much better and more quickly after having seen how it has to be done.

The coloured plate shows the test-colours, and some of the mistakes likely to be made by colour-blind people. The colours in the plate are of two characters:—

1. The colours for samples (test-colours)—that is, those which the Examiner presents to the person examined; and,
2. The "confusion-colours"—that is to say, those which the colour-blind may select as matches with the sample.

The first are shown on the plate as horizontal bands, and are distinguished by Roman numerals (I., II.a, and II.b); the second as vertical bands under the test-colours, and are distinguished by Arabic figures (1, 2, 3, &c.).

As to the similarity between the confusion-colours of the plate and the wools which the colour-blind take from the heap, reliance must be placed simply on the hue, and not their brightness or degree of colour-saturation. The confusion-colours shown in the plate are only to illustrate the mistakes which the colour-blind may make, and for this purpose they serve perfectly. Having made this explanation, we can pass directly to the test itself. The following are the directions for conducting it, and for making a diagnosis from the results:—

TEST I.—The green test-skein, which is labelled Test No. I. in the bundle, is exhibited to the candidate. This sample is the palest shade (the lightest) of very pure green, which is neither a yellow-green nor a blue-green to the normal eye, but fairly intermediate between the two, or, at least, not verging upon yellowish-green.

Rule.—The examination must continue until the examinee has placed near the test-skein several other skeins of the same colour, or else, with these or separately, one or more skeins of the class of "confusion-colours" such as 1 to 5 in the plate, or until he has sufficiently proved that he can easily and unerringly distinguish the confusion-colours, or else has given unmistakable proof of a difficulty in accomplishing it.

Diagnosis.—An examinee who places with the test-skein "confusion-colours" such as 1 to 5—that is to say, finds that they resemble the "test-colour"—is colour-blind, whilst if he evinces a manifest disposition to do so though he does not absolutely do so, he has a feeble chromatic sense or sense of colour.

Remark.—We might have taken more than five colours for "confusion"; but we must remember that we are not taking into consideration every kind of defective colour-sense.

TEST II.—The pink or light-purple skein, which is labelled No. II.a, is shown to the examinee. The colour is midway between the lightest and darkest. It only approaches that given as II.a of the plate, as the colour of the wool is much more brilliant and saturated, and bluer.

Rule.—The trial must be continued until the examinee has placed all or the greater part of the skeins of the same colour near the test-skein, or else, together or separately, several skeins of the "confusion-colours," such as 6-9. If he is colour-blind he will probably select either the light or deep shades of blue and violet, especially the deep (6 and 7), or the light or deep shades of one kind of green or grey inclining to blue (8 and 9).

TEST III.—The red skein labelled No. II.b is presented to the examinee. It is necessary to have a vivid-red colour, like the red flag used as signals on railways. The colour should be that of II.b of the plate, rather towards yellowish-red.

Rule.—This test should be continued until the person examined has placed beside the test-skein the greater part of the skeins belonging to this hue, or else several "confusion-colours" (10-13).

Remark.—Every case of comparatively complete colour-blindness does not always give precisely the same mistakes. Instances occur of persons who are not completely colour-blind, or of completely colour-blind persons who have been practised in the colours of signals, and who endeavour not to be discovered. They usually confound at least green and brown, but even this does not always happen.

Monochromatic Vision.—The absence of every colour-sensation except one will be recognised by the confusion of all the hues, which will appear to be of the same intensity of light or brightness.

Dr. Joy Jeffries, in his book on colour-blindness, gives a translation of Holmgren's special directions for conducting the examinations. The examinations to which Holmgren refers were for employés on the Swedish railways, but the remarks which follow are applicable to examinations for officers and seamen in the mercantile marine.

Special Directions for conducting the Test.

The method plays an important part in an examination of this kind, not only from the principles upon which it rests,

but also from the manner in which it is used. The best plan for directing how to proceed is by oral instructions and *de visu*, but here we are obliged to accomplish this by description. Now, this is always defective in some respects, especially if we wish to be brief. What has been said would evidently suffice for an intelligent and experienced physician; but it may not be superfluous to enter still further into detail to provide against any possible difficulties and loss of time. The object of the examination is to discover the nature of a person's chromatic sense, or sense of colour. Now, as the fate of the candidate and that of others depend upon the correctness of the judgment pronounced by the Examiner, and as this judgment should be based upon the manner in which the candidate stands the trial, it is of importance that this trial should be truly what it ought to be, a trial of the nature of the chromatic sense, and nothing else—an end that will be gained if our directions are strictly followed. It is not only necessary that the Examiner should carefully observe them—which does not seem to us difficult—but that he also should take care that the individual examined does thoroughly what is required of him. This is not always as easy as one might suppose. If it were only required to examine people familiar with practical occupations, and especially with colours, and with no other interest connected with the issue of the examination than to know whether they are colour-blind or not, the examination would be uniform and mechanical; but it is required to examine people of various degrees of culture, all of whom, besides, have a personal interest in the issue of the examination. Different people act very differently during the examination for many reasons. Some submit to it without the least suspicion of their defect; others are convinced that they possess a normal sense. A few only have a consciousness, or, at least, some suspicion, of their defect. These last can often be recognised before examination. They will keep behind the others, and attentively follow the progress of the trial, and, if allowed, will willingly remain to the last. Some are quick, others slow. The former approach unconcernedly and boldly, the latter with over-anxiety and a certain dread. Some have been, perhaps, already tested, and have practised in preparation for the trial; others have never been familiar with colours. Among those already tested some may be colour-blind. Some of these latter are uncertain about their colour-vision, and act with great care; whilst others, again, having been practised in distinguishing signals, conclude that their colour-sense is perfect. They make the trial quickly and without thought, of course regularly making the mistakes characteristic of their special form of colour-blindness.

The majority, however, desire to perform their task as well as possible—that is, to do what the normal eye does. This, of course, assists in testing them, providing it does not lead to too great care, as then the testing is more difficult, the trouble being that much time is wasted.

Only a very small part have a contrary desire—namely, to pass for colour-blind, though normal-eyed. We will speak of these later, and now only concern ourselves with those who stand the test in good faith with the desire to appear normal, though, perhaps, they are colour-blind.

The trial generally goes on rapidly and regularly. We will only mention those hindrances and peculiarities which most frequently occur. The Examiner must watch that no mistake is made from not understanding. The names of the colour need never be used, except to ascertain if the name hides the subjective colour-sensation, or to find the relation between the name the colour-blind employs and his colour-perception.

The person examined who thinks more of names than the test itself (this being generally a sign of school-learning) selects not only the wools of the same hues—that is, those of the same colour to his eye—but all which generally have the name of this colour—for instance, in the first test, I., not only the green like the sample, but all that are green; and with the second test, not only the purple (and what are generally called red), but all which look reddish, scarlet, cinnabar, or sealing-wax red. This is of no importance, for those who only do this have scarcely such defective chromatic sense as that with which we are concerned.

Under any circumstances it is better to correct the mistakes just mentioned, when arising from misunderstanding, and it is even necessary, in reference to the mistakes we explained might occur with the first test. It might be said that it was sufficient if the examined confounded the test-colour with green only; that it was indifferent whether he distinguishes carefully between the various kinds of green. But, in fact, this is not so unimportant. We must give full weight as to whether the confusion arises from misunderstanding, or lack of practice with colours; or, finally, from a true chromatic defect. To include all that is green would render the test tedious and unpractical. In fact, no little judgment has been exercised in the selection of the very lightest shade of the green proposed as a test-colour, for it is exactly what the colour-blind most readily confounds with

the colours (1-5) of the plate. If the examinee were allowed to depart from the narrow limits every shade of green could be included, the result of which would be that he would prefer to select all the vivid shades, and thus avoid the dangerous ground where his defect would certainly be discovered. This is why it is necessary to oblige him to keep within certain limits, confining him to pure-green specimens, and, for greater security, to recommend him to select especially the lightest shades; for, if he keeps to the darker shades, as many try to do, he readily passes to other tones, and loses himself on foreign ground, to the great loss of time and of the certainty of the test. What we have just said of green applies also, of course, to purple (test II.a).

The principle of our method is to force the examinee to reveal, by an act of his own, the nature of his chromatic sense.

Now, as this act must be kept within certain limits, it is evident that the Examiner must direct him to some extent. This may present, in certain cases, some difficulty, as he will not always be guided, and does either too much or too little. In both cases the Examiner should use his influence in order to save time and gain certainty, and this is usually very easily done. This intervention is, of course, intended to put the examinee in the true path, and is accomplished in many ways, according to the case in point.

We will here mention some of the expedients we have found useful:—

(A.) *Interfering when the Candidate selects too many Colours.*

It is not always easy to confine the candidate within the proper limits. In the first test he easily slips a yellow-green or blue-green skein among the others, and as soon as there is one others usually follow; and it thus happens that in a few moments he has a whole handful of yellow-green, a second of blue-green, a third of both these shades at the same time. Our procedure has assisted us in more than one case of this kind.

(a.) When the person examined has begun to select shades of one or several other colours than those of the sample, his ardour is arrested by taking from him the handful of skeins he has collected and asking him whether his eye does not tell him there are some which do not match the others, in which case he is told he may restore them to the pile. He then generally proceeds in one of the following manners:—

1. He rejects, one after the other, the incorrect skeins, so that only the correct remain, which is often only the sample skein. He is shown what mistake he has made, and he is told only to select skeins of the same hue as the specimen, although they may be lighter or darker. If his first error arose only from a misconception, or want of practice in handling colours, he begins generally to understand what he has to do, and to do properly what is required of him.

2. Or else he selects and rejects immediately the test-skein itself. This proves that he sees the difference of colour. He is then shown the test-skein as the only correct one, and is asked to repeat the trial in a more correct manner. He is again put on the right track, as just before, and the trial proceeds rightly, unless the error arose from a defect in colour-sense. Many seem, however, to experience a natural difficulty in distinguishing between yellow-green and blue-green, or the dull shades of green and blue. This difficulty is, however, more apparent than real, and is corrected usually by direct comparison. If the method requiring the name of the colour to be given is used, a number of mistakes may be the result. If a skein of light-green and light-blue alone are presented to him, and he is asked to name them, he will often call blue green and green blue. But if, in the first case, a blue skein is immediately shown him, he corrects his mistake by saying, "This is blue and that green." In the last case the same thing happens *mutatis mutandis*. This is not the place for an explanation. It must suffice to say that the error is corrected by a direct comparison between the two colours.

(b.) *Another Process.*—If the candidate place by the side of the sample a shade, for instance, of yellow-green, the Examiner places near this another shade in which there is more yellow, or even a pure yellow, remarking at the same time that if the first suit the last must also. The candidate usually dissents from this. He is then shown, by selecting and classing the intermediate shades, that there is a gradation, which will diverge widely if logically carried out as he has begun. The same course is followed with colours of the blue shades, if the blue-green were first selected. He sees the successive gradations, and goes through with this test perfectly, if his chromatic sense is correct.

To ascertain further whether he notices the tints of yellow and blue in the green, we can ourselves take the yellow-green and blue-green and ask him if he sees any difference in colour between them. We can judge by his answer of his sense with regard to these shades, and the object of this investigation is accomplished.

It results from all this that many who are finally considered to have a normal chromatic sense may occasionally

cause embarrassment. In the main, the normal observer of this kind causes greater loss of time than the colour-blind. It is astonishing to see with what rapidity the colour-blind betray their defect. At least, it is found in the majority of the cases examined by us that the first skein of wool selected from the pile by the colour-blind in the first test was one of the "colours of confusion."

(B.) *Interfering when the Candidate selects too few Wools.*

Those who evince too great slowness also require the interference of the Examiner in another manner. We can lay aside here those cases in which, at the sight of the complex colours of the heap of wool, the candidate finds it difficult to select a skein resembling the sample in a collection where all the particular colours seem to differ from each other, and in consequence declares immediately that he can find none resembling the specimen. He is then told that an absolute resemblance is not demanded, and that no one asks impossibilities; that time is limited, many are waiting, &c. But there are people who—from natural slowness, from being unaccustomed to such business, from fear of making mistakes, especially if they have been previously examined and been suspected of colour-blindness, or from many other motives—proceed with the greatest caution. They do not even wish to touch the wool; or they search, select, and replace with the greatest care all the possible skeins without finding one corresponding with the sample, or that they wish to place beside it. Here, then, are two cases—on the one hand, too much action with the fingers, without result; on the other, too little action. The Examiner is forced to interfere in both cases.

(a.) In the case of too much manual action, without corresponding practical result, the Examiner must be careful that the eye and hand of the candidate act simultaneously for the accomplishment of the desired end.

Some people forget that the hands should be subservient to the eye in this trial, and not act independently. Thus they are often seen to fix their eyes on one side while their hands are engaged on the other. This should be corrected, so as to save time and avoid further labour. The candidate should be told to cross his hands behind his back, to step back a pace, and quietly consider all the skeins, and, as soon as his eye has met one of those for which he is looking, to extend his hand and take it. The best plan is to advise him to look first at the sample and then at the pile, and to repeat this manoeuvre until his eyes find what he is looking for.

This plan generally succeeds when nervousness from over-anxiety causes his hands to tremble; but it is not always easy to induce him to keep his hands behind his back until the moment for taking the skein in question.

(b.) In cases of great caution, the trial is hastened if the Examiner come to the assistance of the candidate by holding above the pile one skein after the other, and requesting him to say whether it resembles the colour of the sample or not.

In cases where any one suspected of colour-blindness has remained some time to see the trial of others, and where, as often happens, he has remarked the skeins belonging to a required shade, he may, of course, profit by it in his own trial. But this can be prevented by shuffling the skeins.

It may be regarded as an advantage of this method that it has at command a great variety of resources. We have by no means mentioned all; and yet many who have only read this description will probably reproach us with having devoted ourselves too much to details which seem to them perutile. But we believe that those who have examined the colour-sense of a great number of persons, and acquired thereby considerable experience, will think differently.

We are convinced that time is saved by the means we have described, and a more certain result obtained; whilst a practised surgeon, who has become to a certain degree a *virtuoso*, will accomplish his object quicker and surer by such means than one who neglects them. Recent experience fully confirms this. All those who have familiarised themselves with this method, and have had experience with colour-blindness, and of whose competence there can be no doubt, report, without exception, that it is to be fully depended on—the most practical and the best.

An advantage of the method was shown to be that those who were to be examined could be present and see each individual tested without this interfering in the least with the certainty of the result. The individual test is even hastened thereby. The colour-blind, and even the normal-eyed who are not familiar with colours, are generally rather shy about being tested, in whatever way it is done. As the method, however, is carried out, they have more confidence. The majority are even amused. The old adage holds true here, that it is easier to find fault than to do it yourself. The surgeon, who watches not only the examined, but also those around, can often see from their faces how closely the latter observe the person being tested, when he takes out the wrong colours, as also when he neglects the right ones

under his eye. This gives those looking on confidence and assurance, till their turn comes, when they appear as uncertain as before they were confident. There is something attractive in the process, stimulating the interest, and not without benefit.

From this we see that our judgment of a person's colour-sense is made not only by the material result of the examination—the character of the wools selected—but often also by the way the examined acts during the test. We should mention a very common manner of persons on trial, which in many cases is of great value in diagnosis. Often, in searching for the right colour, they suddenly seize a skein to lay it with the sample, but then notice it does not correspond, and put it back in the heap. This is very characteristic; and if an Examiner has often seen it, he can readily recognise and be assured that it is an expression of difficulty in distinguishing the difference in the colours. We frequently see this in the first test, with shades of greenish-blue and bluish-green. Here it means nothing important; but it is quite the reverse, however, when it concerns the grey, or one of the confusion-colours (1-5). Uncertainty and hesitation as to these colours, which the colour-blind do not distinguish from the test-colour, even when directly comparing them, is positive proof of mistake, implying defective chromatic vision of the complete colour-blind type. No doubt the form of chromatic effect which we have called *incomplete* colour-blindness exists in several kinds and degrees. This is not the place to further discuss our experience on this point, and for the practical purpose we have in view it is not necessary. As we have explained, there are, among this class, forms of colour-blindness gradually approaching normal colour-sense. How they are distinguished has been described. We designated them as possessing *feeble colour-sense*.

It is, perhaps, not easy to detect these special forms by any other method, or even by our own; we therefore give the following as a means of so doing. The only way of getting at it is by determining at what distance the candidate can distinguish a small coloured surface. We have to deal, in fact, with a feeble colour-sense, which does not prevent the colours from being distinguished, but only renders it difficult. We may suppose, in comparison to the normal, that the *feeble* colour-sense is due either to a weaker response to the stimulation of the colour-perceptive organs of the retina, or else to a stimulation of a relatively smaller number of these organs. In either case this method would give us the same result, judging from our experience in testing the eccentric portions of the field of vision with the perimeter.

The method we here speak of shows us also the effect of habit and practice on the colour-perception, and it is worth while to dwell on this point. It has not unfrequently happens that persons who by Test No. I. have been noted "incompletely colour blind," after they know of their mistake, and have practised themselves in distinguishing colours, will so comport themselves at a second trial that we have to simply mark them as of "feeble colour-sense." The same will sometimes happen with Test No. II., and it is explainable by what we have said—namely, that between the complete lack of some one colour-sense and the incomplete there is a series of gradations, and that in such cases practice would affect the result of examinations.

All the examples given prove that many seeming trifles and plans are of value in making the examination—amongst others, the keeping the sample a little way off from the heap of worsteds, as also the removal of everything which can cause the examined doubt and uncertainty. We must not, therefore, let them do what many want to do—namely, hold a number of the worsteds in the hand at once. We must make the person being examined place each skein, as he takes it up, either with the sample or else back on the heap. Many who are not clear whether the skein is like the sample or not instinctively put the shades most resembling the test-sample at the side of the heap towards it, and thus gradually form a little bridge, but which for correctness they will not vouch for. No such half-measures must, however, be allowed.

3.—COLOUR-IGNORANCE TEST.

(1.) The object of this test is simply to ascertain whether the candidate knows the names of the three colours, red, green, and white, which it is important for every seaman to be acquainted with; and the test is to be confined to naming those colours.

(2.) One or two of the purest red and green skeins should be selected from the set of wools, and the candidate should be required to name their colours. He should also be required to name the colour of any white object, such as a piece of white paper.

(3.) If he answers correctly he should be considered to have passed the test. If he makes any mistake he should be tried with the lantern which was formerly used for colour-tests, the plain glass and the standard red and green glasses

being employed for the purpose. If he does not name these glasses correctly he should be reported as having failed to pass the test.

(4.) The result of every test should be reported to the Marine Department on the Form Exn. 2, and on Form Exn. 14 when the candidate is up for examination for a certificate of competency, and on Form Exn. 2b when the candidate is up for examination in colours only.

All cases of failure should be reported to the Marine Department on Form Exn. 17b.

APPENDIX B.

EXAMINATION DAYS, SIGHT-TESTS.

Auckland: Saturday morning, from 10 to 12, by the Examiners of Masters and Mates.

Wellington: Any day not a holiday, by the Examiners of Masters and Mates.

Lyttelton: On ordinary examination days, by the Examiner of Masters and Mates.

Port Chalmers: Saturday morning, from 10 to 12, by the Examiner of Masters and Mates.

EXAMINATION DAYS, MASTERS' AND MATES' CERTIFICATES.

Auckland: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in each week.

Wellington: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in each week.

Lyttelton: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in each week.

Port Chalmers: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in each week.

Officiating Ministers for 1898.—Notice No. 10.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 6th April, 1898.

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:—

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

The Reverend John Knox Barclay, B.A.
E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

"The Stamp Act, 1882."—New Issue of Stamps.

Head Office, Stamp Department,
Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that on the 5th instant new postage and revenue stamps, of the values of $\frac{1}{4}$ d., 1d., 2d., $2\frac{1}{2}$ d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1s., 2s., and 5s. respectively, will be issued.

The following are the designs and colours of the stamps of the new issue:—

One Halfpenny (Lilac-brown).—View of Mount Cook, in oval frame on shaded background, surmounted by curved inscription in white letters, "Postage and Revenue," and at top, by label with ornamental border containing "New Zealand" in coloured letters on white ground. Central design is flanked by sprays of ranunculus and celmisia, below which on each side are small oval labels surrounded by scrolls, and bearing figures of value on white ground, the value in words being in straight label at foot.

One Penny (Light-brown, with Blue Centre).—View of Lake Taupo, with Ruapehu in background, and cabbage-palm in left foreground, surrounded by semicircular labels containing "New Zealand" in white letters on colour above, and "Postage and Revenue" in coloured letters below. Value in words in straight label at foot, broken at each lower corner by square containing figure of value. Ornamented spandrels.

Twopence (Wine-red or Claret).—View of Pembroke Peak, Milford Sound, surrounded by oval band with inscription in white, "New Zealand Postage and Revenue." Figure of value at base of design, with ornaments on each side. Value in words at foot, in straight label, full width of stamp. Sides and top of stamp are enclosed by dotted border of Greek design, and ornamented spandrels.

Twopence-halfpenny (Antwerp Blue).—Oblong (horizontal). View of Mount Earnslaw and head of Lake Wakatipu, with *Phormium tenax*, tottoi, and cabbage-palms in foreground. Inscription, "New Zealand" in white, "Postage and Revenue" in colour, at top of stamp. Value in figures only, enclosed in scroll ornament springing from lower right-hand corner, and bearing name of locality (misspelt "Wakitipu"). Name "Mt. Earnslaw" in left-hand lower corner.

Threepence (Light-brown).—Central design, a pair of huias on branch, surrounded by a circular border, inscribed "New Zealand Postage and Revenue" in white letters on colour, and broken at lower corners by Egyptian ornamentation. Value in words at bottom, divided in centre by shield of solid colour, with figure "3" in white. Upper spandrels are filled in with similar labels, bearing figures of value placed obliquely.

Fourpence (Rose-lake).—View of White Terrace, Rotomahana, in oval dotted border, flanked by sprays of tataramoia, and broken at base on each side by bands containing inscription, "Postage," "Revenue." Name of colony at top of stamp, and value in words at foot, in straight labels.

Fivepence (Brown-lake).—Oblong (vertical). View of Otira Gorge, with snow-peak in background. Name in lower right-hand corner; also small circular view of Mount Ruapehu superimposed upon left foreground. Inscription, "New Zealand Postage and Revenue," at top of stamp, and value in words at base, in straight label.

Sixpence (Sap-green).—Representation of kiwi *regardant*, surmounted by semicircular band of solid colour, bearing words "New Zealand" in white letters, and supported by oblique labels, "Postage," "Revenue," on left and right respectively. Value in words only at base of stamp, in straight label. The corners of the design, which has a distinctive appearance resembling a horse-shoe, are filled in with ornamental scroll-work on shaded ground.

Eightpence (Steel-blue).—Large outline figure "8," supported by fern-trees and cabbage palms on shaded background. Within the upper portion of the figure is an Imperial crown, and in the lower portion a view with Native war-canoe over the word "pence" at base of figure. The lower corners of stamp contain circles with figures of value in white, the upper corners being bevelled and filled with scallop ornaments. The words "New Zealand Postage and Revenue" are inscribed upon the curves of the large figure which forms the central device.

Ninepence (Lilac).—Oblong (horizontal). View of Pink Terrace, Rotomahana, with tree-fern and nikau-palm at sides. The legend "Postage and Revenue" at base of picture. Value in white figures in coloured circles at each corner. "New Zealand" in arched inscription above, and value in words below, in straight label; both white letters on colour.

One Shilling (Orange-red).—Representation of pair of kakas on branch, in colour on white background within fancy frame, having arched label "Postage" above "and Revenue" below. Name of colony at top of stamp, and value in words at bottom, in straight labels. Value in figures in circles at lower corners, above the bottom label.

Two Shillings (Blue-green).—Oblong (horizontal). View of Milford Sound in fancy frame, with title below in label, and clump of cabbage-palms on left-hand side above scrolled circle enclosing value in figures. The words "New Zealand Postage and Revenue" in white letters at top of stamp.

Five Shillings (Vermilion).—Oblong (vertical). View of Mount Cook, with name in white label below. Inscription, "New Zealand Postage and Revenue" above, and value in words at foot, white letters on coloured ground.

All the above stamps are printed on white-wove un-water-marked paper, and perforate 14 to 15. The rectangular stamps measure about 18 mm. by 22 mm., and the oblong stamps 33 mm. by 20 mm., or, say, $\frac{1}{8}$ in. by $\frac{1}{8}$ in., and $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. by $\frac{1}{8}$ in.

C. A. HICKSON,
Secretary for Stamps.

Notice under "The Victoria College Act, 1897," and the Regulations relating thereto.

Education Department,
Wellington, 7th February, 1898.

THE first election of members of the College Council will be held on Monday, the 11th April, 1898; the poll closing at 5 o'clock p.m.

- The members to be elected are,—
- (a.) Three by members of the Legislature for the time being resident in, or representing electoral districts wholly or mainly within, the Wellington, Nelson, Westland, Marlborough, Hawke's Bay, and Taranaki Provincial Districts;
 - (b.) Three by persons who, being holders of a degree of any university of the United Kingdom or of any British colony, are for the time being resident within any of the said provincial districts;
 - (c.) Three by such persons holding certificates under section 45 of "The Education Act, 1877," as are over the age of twenty-one years and for the time being resident within any of the said provincial districts;
 - (d.) Three by members of the Education Boards of the education districts wholly or partly within any of the said provincial districts.

Electoral rolls for the four classes of electors above specified will be prepared, and, for the purposes of the first election, will be closed at 5 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 28th March, 1898. Such rolls will be called respectively—(a) the "parliamentary," (b) the "graduates," (c) the "teachers," and (d) the "Education Boards'" electoral roll.

Every candidate for election is to be nominated by one or more electors entitled to vote for his election, and the nomination is to bear the candidate's consent thereto. Nominations will close at noon on Monday, the 4th April, 1898.

Applications for enrolment, and all notices, &c., relating to the election, are to be addressed to "The Returning Officer for the Victoria College Council Election, Education Department, Wellington," from whom copies of the regulations and forms may be obtained. Copies of the Act are to be had from the Government Printer; price, 9d.

E. O. GIBBES,
Returning Officer.

Crown Lands Notices.

Land in Westland forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands were forfeited by resolution of the Westland Land Board on the 16th March, 1898:—

No. of Run.	Locality.	Block.	Tenure.	Held by
93	Meta Range	..	Pastoral Run	Frederick Duncan.
278	Okuru S.D.	X.	O.R.P.	.. John Nolan.
279	"	"	"	"

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Taranaki, for Lease upon Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 4th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease upon application at this office on Wednesday, 25th May, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—CLIFTON COUNTY.—WAITARA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent, $\frac{2}{3}$ per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
8	XII.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
10	"	1,460 0 0	0 3-75	11 8 4
		1,203 0 0	0 3-75	9 8 0

All forest; pastoral country; well watered. Timber consists of tawa, rata, rimu, towai, and usual undergrowth. A few acres flat on Section 8, about the south-east corner. Access by Kaipikari Road, distant from Orenui about ten miles, and by Junction and Mataro Roads from Tarata, about seven miles. The ridges rise to 900 ft. above sea-level, and to 500 ft. above the valleys.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments, Southland, open for Lease upon Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 4th April, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Thursday, the 26th May, 1898.

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.
SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
Village-homestead Allotments.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
MAKAREWA TOWNSHIP.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
14	V.	13 3 0	3 2.4	1 2 0

Bush land; adjacent to Main North Road, six miles from Invercargill; soil fair. Limit of holding in this village, 20 acres.

SEAWARD BUSH TOWNSHIP.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
32	III.	5 0 0	4 0	0 10 0
33	"	5 0 0	4 0	0 10 0

Land nearly flat, covered with mixed bush, soil fair; distance from Tisbury Railway-station, one mile. Limit of holding in this village, 10 acres.

HOKONUI.—CENTRE BUSH VILLAGE.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
725	..	24 0 20	1 2.4	0 14 6

Situated about one mile and a half from Centre Bush Railway-station; soil fair, bush light. Limit of holding in this village, one allotment.

LONGWOOD VILLAGE.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
53	V.	6 3 0	1 7.2	0 5 5
54	"	9 3 11	1 7.2	0 7 10

Situated about one mile and a half from Wakapatu Railway-station; soil fair, mostly bush land. Limit of holding in this village, 100 acres. Section 54 is burdened with £3 10s. as valuation for fencing.

NIAGARA VILLAGE.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
41	..	5 1 9	0 7.2	0 1 7

Situated about three miles from Waikawa Township; light bush land, soil fair. Limit of holding, one allotment.

D. BARRON,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,

Christchurch, 4th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened for application upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 12th May, 1898, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.—BRACO SETTLEMENT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
17	X.	A. R. P. 1 0 0	£ s. d. 2 12 7	£ s. d. 1 6 4

The Braco Settlement is situated at Fendalton, about three miles and a half from Christchurch Post-office, and comprises open flat land, with deep soil of good quality, resting on a loamy subsoil. The allotments in the Braco Settlement are well adapted for occupation by market-gardeners and others desiring to settle on small areas near Christchurch.

Lot 17 is weighted with a valuation of £1 6s. for boundary-fencing, which sum must be paid on allotment, in addition to the usual deposit and fees.

Plans and further particulars as to terms and conditions of lease may be obtained from this office.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs liable to Forfeiture.

Crown Lands Office,

Dunedin, 15th March, 1898.

PURSUANT to section 215 of "The Land Act, 1892," notice is hereby given to the following persons that the under-mentioned pastoral licenses are liable to forfeiture, and that, if the rent overdue thereon be not paid within three months from date, the licenses will be declared forfeited.

Lic. No.	Section or Run.	Block.	District or County.	Licensee.
960	458 & 468	..	Lake	William Barclay Ewing.
995	337 & 337A	..	Lake	Messrs. Ferris and Sachtler.
484	17	.. VII.	Table Hill ..	Alexander Sutherland.
762	428	.. ..	Southland and Tuapeka	William Spencer.
985	228b	.. ..	Maniototo ..	William Hanger.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,

Christchurch, 4th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 18th May, 1898, at the annual rental noted below. Should the section not be applied for on the 18th May, 1898, it will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch. In case of more than one application on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at Christchurch, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

ASHLEY COUNTY.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

Sections Nos.	Survey Districts.	Blocks.	Area.	Rate per Acre.	Annual Rental.
36569, 36573, 36576, 36577	Waitohi IV., V. Waipara III.		A. R. P. 977 3 0	s. d. 1 0	£ s. d. 48 17 9

These sections are situated between the Hurunui and Waitohi Rivers, to the west of the northern railway; the distance from the Medbury Railway-station to the land being between 2½ and 4½ miles. The block consists of open, plain, light land, carrying tussock pasture and patches of stunted manuka. Sections 36576 and 36577 front on the Waitohi River.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Taihape Township for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Wellington, 4th April, 1898.

THE under-mentioned reserves will be offered for lease by public auction at Wanganui, on Wednesday, the 25th May, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

TAIHAPE TOWNSHIP.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rent.	Term.
10	I.	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 1 0 0	7 years.
1	II.	0 1 0	2 10 0	7 "
3	III.	0 1 0	1 0 0	7 "
2	IV.	0 1 0	1 0 0	7 "
6	"	0 1 0	1 0 0	Year to year.
3	V.	0 1 0	1 0 0	7 years.
1	VI.	0 1 0	1 10 0	7 "
3	"	0 1 0	1 0 0	7 "

TERMS OF LEASE.

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

2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessees, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.

3. Possession will be given on the day of sale.
 4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified in the foregoing Schedule, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.
 5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly, in advance.
 6. The lands are let for grazing purposes, and the lessees will not be permitted to break up or crop any of the same

without the written permission of the Land Board first had and obtained.
 7. The lessee shall use all reasonable means to prevent the spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in his lease.

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

Rural Lands in Wellington District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 2nd April, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 25th day of May, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

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

First-class Land.

STIRLING BLOCK.

Wairarapa N.	Tararua ..	42	VI.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
				200 0 0	1 2 6	225 0 0	1 1 5	5 12 6	0 10 8	4 10 0

This section is situated in the Stirling Block, the access being from the Newman Railway-station, which is about nine miles distant, eight miles of which is a metalled road, and the remaining mile a road which is formed only. It is also within seven miles of Hukanui Railway-station, Post-office, store, &c., by a formed and partially-metalled road. The area comprises hilly land, with about 10 acres flat. The soil is of fair quality, resting on a papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, rata, birch, &c., with an undergrowth of tawa, konini, supplejack, &c. The land is watered by a creek. The Eketahuna Road Board have a claim of £3 12s. 9d. against this section for rates due.

COONOR BLOCK.

Pahiatua ..	Makuri ..	23	VII.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
				99 0 0	1 6 0	128 14 0	1 3 6	3 4 5	1 0 48	2 11 6

This section is situated in the Coonor Block, the access being from Makuri, which is about nine miles distant; and it is also within twenty-four miles of Woodville and Pahiatua by roads which are formed and partially metalled. The area comprises fairly level land, with about 20 acres of flat. The soil is of good quality, and rests on a limestone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rata, maire, rimu, and tawa, with an undergrowth of konini, thousand-jacket, lawyer, supplejack, &c. The section has very little water. This section is weighted with £113 17s. 6d. for improvements, which comprise a four-roomed house, water-tank, 12 acres in grass, and 66½ chains of fencing, having a total value of £113 17s. 6d.

MEKALICKSTONE BLOCK.

Wairarapa N.	Aohanga	14	V.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
				150 0 0	1 3 6	176 5 0	1 2 1	4 8 2	0 11 28	3 10 6

This section is situated in the Mekalickstone Block, fronting on the Huia Road, the access being from Alfredton, which is about twenty-four miles distant *via* the Huia and Alfredton-Weber Roads, twenty-four miles of which distance is a dray-road and the balance a horse-track. The section is also within eighteen miles of Makuri Township, by eight miles of dray-road and ten miles of horse-road. The Rakaunui Post-office, store, and school are six miles away by dray-road and horse-track. The area comprises undulating land, with soil of a fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is heavy, comprising rimu, kahikatea, rata, tawa, and a mixed undergrowth. The section is watered by a small stream. This section is weighted with £10 for improvements, comprising 5 acres in grass at £2 per acre. The Crown reserves the right to take land for road purposes.

WOODVILLE BLOCK.

Wairarapa N.	Aohanga	29	V.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
"	"	30	"	100 0 0	1 7 6	275 0 0	1 4 5	6 17 6	1 1 2	5 10 0

Section 29, Block V., Aohanga, is situated in the Woodville Block, on the Huia Road, three-quarters of a mile from its junction with the Alfredton-Weber Road. The access is from Alfredton, which is about twenty-five miles distant by a dray-road. The section is also two miles and a half from Rakaunui, where there is a post-office, school, and store. The area comprises undulating land, with soil of a fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is heavy in the front portion and light at the back, and comprises rimu, rata, miro, and a mixed undergrowth of rangiora, tawa, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a small stream.

Section 30, Block V., Aohanga, is situated in the Woodville Block, at the junction of the Huia and Alfredton-Weber Roads. The access is from Alfredton, which is about twenty-four miles distant by a dray-road; and from Makuri, which is about fourteen miles distant, partly by dray- and partly by horse-road. Rakaunui, where there is a school, post-office, store, &c., is about two miles away. The area comprises hilly land, with soil of fair quality, resting on clay and papa formation. The forest, except where 8 acres have been felled but not grassed, is heavy, and comprises chiefly rimu, rata, hinau, &c., with a mixed undergrowth of supplejack, ground-fern, &c. This section is watered by a stream.

PAHIATUA No. I. BLOCK.

Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	5	IV.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
"	"	33	V.	100 0 0	1 7 6	137 10 0	1 4 5	3 8 9	1 1 2	2 15 0
"	"	16	VIII.	200 0 0	1 15 0	350 0 0	1 9	8 15 0	1 4 8	7 0 0
				320 0 0	1 10 0	480 0 0	1 6	12 0 0	1 2 4	9 12 0

Section 5, Block IV., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Block, on the Manuhara Road. The access is from Makuri and Pongaroa, the section being fifteen miles distant from the former and about six miles from the latter, where there is a post-office, school, store, &c. There is a good horse-track to within a mile of the section. The area comprises undulating land, with soil of a fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is heavy, comprising rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with a mixed undergrowth of supplejack, &c. The section is watered by small gullies. This section is weighted with £13 10s. for improvements, comprising 6 acres grassed at £2 5s. per acre.

Section 33, Block V., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, about three miles from Pongaroa by a formed dray-road. It comprises comparatively flat or sloping land, easy of access to any part, watered by a permanent stream. The soil is good, resting on a papa formation, and is covered with forest of a mixed character, containing tawa, rimu, totara, &c., with an open undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c.

Section 16, Block VIII., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. I. Block, on the Alfredton-Weber Road, near Pongaroa. The access is from Alfredton, which is about thirty miles distant by a dray-road. The distance from

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.

Pongaroa is about two miles. The area comprises level and easy sloping land in front, but the back portion rises to a considerable height and is somewhat broken. The soil varies from fair to good, but is poor in the north-west; it rests on papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, tawa, matai, with an undergrowth of rangiora and supplejack. This section is watered by a small stream.

PAHIATUA No. II. BLOCK.

			A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	2	X.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0
"	"	5	"	239	0	0	1	5	0	298	15	0	1	3	7	9	5
"	"	8	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	12	6

Section 2, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Kaituna Road, the access being from Pongaroa Township, where there is a school, post-office, store, &c., which is about eight miles distant, by five miles of dray-road, one mile of horse-track, and two miles of road which has been surveyed only. The area comprises undulating and sloping lands, having soil of a fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest, which is heavy, comprises rimu, matai, kahikatea, and a mixed undergrowth of supplejack, &c. The section is watered by small streams.

Section 5, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block. The access is from Pongaroa, where there is a school, post-office, store, &c., which is about seven miles distant—viz., two miles of dray-road, one mile and a half of horse-track, and three miles and a half of road which is surveyed only. The area comprises undulating land, with soil of fair quality, resting on clay and papa formation. The forest is heavy, and comprises rimu, matai, totara, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The land is well watered by a stream.

Section 8, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. II. Block, on the Kaituna Road. The access is from Pongaroa, where there is a school, post-office, store, &c., and which is about eight miles and a half distant, five miles being a dray-road, and the remaining three miles and a half a road which is surveyed only. The area comprises good undulating country along the frontage, and high spurs at the back. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising tawa, rimu, rata, matai, &c., with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream.

PAHIATUA No. III. BLOCK.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wairarapa N.	Mt. Cerberus	4	III.	250	0	0	1	2	6	281	5	0	1	1	5	7	0	8
"	"	6	"	219	0	0	1	2	6	246	7	6	1	1	5	6	3	2
"	"	3	VII.	232	0	0	1	7	6	319	0	0	1	4	5	7	19	6

Section 4, Block III., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. III. Block, on the Waihi-Akitio Road. The access is from Alfredton, which is about thirty-six miles distant by the Alfredton-Weber Road, which is a formed dray-road, and which extends to within half a mile of the section, the remainder of the distance being a formed horse-road. The area comprises hilly country, with about 10 acres of flat. The soil is of poor to fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, matai, kahikatea, hinau, totara, and miro, with an undergrowth of wharangi, manuka, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a stream.

Section 6, Block III., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. III. Block, on the Waihi-Akitio Road. The access is from Pongaroa or Weber, each of which is about ten miles distant, by eight miles of dray-road and two miles of bridle-track. The area comprises undulating land, with easy spurs in front and rising land towards the back line. The soil is of good quality, resting on sandstone-and-papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises tawa, totara, matai, and an undergrowth of rangiora and supplejack.

Section 3, Block VII., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. III. Block, on the Akitio River, which has to be forded to reach the section. The access is from Dannevirke, which is about thirty-two miles distant by dray-road. The area comprises low spurs of good and easy slope, and has soil of good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest, which is mixed, originally comprised kahikatea, rimu, tawa, and totara, and an undergrowth of rangiora, but most of the useful timber has now been removed.

PAHIATUA No. IV. BLOCK.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wairarapa N.	Aohanga ..	8	I.	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	5	3	8	9
"	"	9	"	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	5	3	8	9

Section 8, Block I., Aohanga, is situated in the Pahiatua No. IV. Block, on the Mangatiti Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about twelve miles and a half away, nine miles of this distance being either dray- or horse-road, and the remainder a road which is partly cleared only. Rakaunui, where there is a school, post-office, store, &c., is the nearest centre at present, the distance being only three miles—viz., two miles of dray-road and one mile which has only been surveyed for a road. The area comprises undulating country, with fair soil, resting on a papa formation. An area of 10 acres of the section is in grass, and the balance covered with heavy bush, comprising rimu, rata, hinau, with an undergrowth of supplejack, lawyer, &c. The section is watered by a stream. This section is weighted with £22 10s. for improvements, comprising 10 acres in grass at £2 5s. per acre.

Section 9, Block I., Aohanga, is situated in the Pahiatua No. IV. Block, on the Mangatiti Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about thirteen miles distant, nine miles of which is either dray- or horse-road, and the remainder a road which is only partly cleared. Rakaunui School, Post-office, and store are two miles and a half away, by two miles of formed dray-road and half a mile of road which is surveyed only. The area comprises hilly land, with soil of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, totara, hinau, &c., with an undergrowth of fern, supplejack, lawyer, &c. The section is watered by a creek. The improvements comprise 6 acres felled and burned, but not grassed.

MASTERTON REFORM BLOCK.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wairarapa N.	Makuri ..	10	XI.	150	0	0	1	7	6	206	5	0	1	4	5	5	3	2
"	"	21	"	150	0	0	1	7	6	206	5	0	1	4	5	5	3	2

Section 10, Block XI., Makuri, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about seventeen miles distant, by five miles of dray-road, ten miles of bridle-track, and two miles of road which has been surveyed only. The area comprises a good leading spur, with a flat of about 10 acres. The soil is of good quality, resting on limestone formation. The forest, which is mixed, comprises tawa, rimu, rata, &c., with mixed undergrowth of supplejack, &c. The section is watered by small streams.

Section 21, Block XI., Makuri, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road, the access being from Makuri, which is about sixteen miles distant, by five miles of dray-road, ten miles of bridle-track, and one mile of road which is surveyed only. The area comprises good easily accessible spurs and gullies, with good soil, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising tawa, rimu, rata, hinau, matai, &c., with an undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream.

SALISBURY BLOCK.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Pohangina..	Apiti ..	14	XII.	200	0	0	1	1	0	210	0	0	1	0	6	5	5	0

This section is situated in the Salisbury Block, on the Main Cross Road East and the Coal Creek Road, the access being from Apiti, which is about five miles and a half distant, by four miles and a half of metalled road and one mile of formed bridle-road. The area comprises hilly and undulating land, with about 20 acres of flat. It is cut by a ravine. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, matai, tawa, rata, miro, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by constantly running streams.

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.

DELAWARE BLOCK.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.									
Pohangina..	Pohangina	15			200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	5	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0

This section is situated in the Delaware Block, on the Takapari Road, the access being from Ashurst, which is about twenty-two miles distant, by eighteen miles of metalled road and four miles of bridle-track. The area comprises hilly land, with about 40 acres of flat. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. It is covered with mixed forest, comprising rimu, matai, tawhero, hinau, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by constantly running streams.

POHANGINA BLOCK.

Pohangina..	Umutoi ..	29			150	0	0	1	6	0	195	0	0	1	3	6	4	17	6	1	0	4	8	3	18	0
"	"	36			150	0	0	1	3	6	176	5	0	1	2	1	4	8	2	1	0	11	28	3	10	6

Section 29, Block IV., Umutoi, is situated in the Pohangina Farm-homestead Block, on the Table Flat Road. The access is from Apiti, which is about six miles distant, by a formed road, which is metalled about half the distance. The area comprises broken country, with soil of fair quality, resting on papa-and-shingle formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, matai, rata, &c., and the usual undergrowth.

Section 36, Block IV., Umutoi, is situated in the Pohangina Block, on the Table Flat Road, the access being from Apiti, which is about eight miles distant, by a formed dray-road metalled for about three miles of the distance. The area comprises broken country, with soil of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai, rata, &c., and the usual undergrowth. This section is weighted with £18 for improvements, comprising 6 acres felled and grassed and 4 acres felled only.

MARTON No. I. BLOCK.

Kiwitea ..	Hautapu ..	12			200	0	0	1	9	6	295	0	0	1	5	7	7	7	6	1	2	1	5	18	0
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This section is situated in the Marton No. I. Block, on the Lagoon Road. The access is from Rangiwahia, which is about seven miles distant, by four miles of formed dray-road and three miles of formed bridle-track. The area comprises broken country, with about 15 acres of flat. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of a mixed character, and comprises manuka, rimu, matai, rata, tawa, miro, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by a constantly running stream.

Kiwitea ..	Hautapu ..	3			200	0	0	1	7	0	270	0	0	1	4	2	6	15	0	1	0	9	6	5	8	0
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This section is situated in the Marton No. I. Farm-homestead Block, the access being from Rangiwahia, which is about ten miles distant. There is a dray-road to within five miles of the land, the rest being horse-road only. The area comprises broken land. The soil is of good quality, resting on a papa and sandstone formation. The forest is mixed bush, comprising rimu, matai, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth.

Second-class Land.

ONSLow BLOCK.

Kiwitea ..	Umutoi ..	16			200	0	0	0	17	6	175	0	0	0	10	5	4	7	6	0	8	4	3	10	0
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This section is situated in the Onslow Block, on the Renfrew Road. The access is from Rangiwahia, which is about six miles and a half distant, by two miles and a half of formed dray-road, three miles of bridle-road, and one mile of road which is surveyed only. The area comprises broken country at a considerable altitude, with soil of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, birch, kaiwaka, &c., and the usual undergrowth.

First-class Land.

PALMERSTON NORTH KNIGHTS OF LABOUR BLOCK.

Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	5			150	0	0	1	10	0	225	0	0	1	6	5	12	6	1	2	4	4	10	0	
"	"	3			200	0	0	1	10	0	300	0	0	1	6	7	10	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	
"	"	13			200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0

Section 5, Block III., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block, on the Whaka Road, the access being from Hunterville, which is about twenty-five miles distant, by fourteen miles of formed dray-road, ten miles and a half of formed bridle-track, and about half a mile of unformed bridle-track. The area comprises hilly country, with about 10 to 15 acres of flat land. It contains soil of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai, totara, maire, &c., and the usual undergrowth.

Section 3, Block VII., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block, on the Pukemapou Road. The access is from Hunterville, which is about twenty-two miles distant, by fourteen miles of formed dray-road and eight miles of formed bridle-track. The area comprises broken country, with soil of a fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of a mixed character, comprising rimu, matai, miro, maire, totara, &c., with the usual undergrowth.

Section 13, Block VIII., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block, on the Wairepu Road, the access being from Mangaweka, which is about ten miles distant by a fairly good bridle-track. Hunterville is about seventeen miles distant by the Watershed and Murray's Track Roads, of which distance thirteen miles is dray-road and four miles bridle-track. The area comprises broken country, with enough flat land for a homestead-site. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, matai, rata, tawa, miro, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by constantly running streams.

SOMMERVILLE BLOCK.

Wanganui ..	Ohinewairua	5			196	0	0	1	7	6	269	10	0	1	4	5	6	14	9	1	1	2	5	7	10
Rangitikei ..	Tiriraukawa	3			200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0

Section 5, Block IX., Ohinewairua, is situated in the Sommerville Block, on the Adamson Track Road, the access being from Taihape Township, which is about six miles distant, by a road which is formed for dray traffic for two miles and a half of the distance at the township end, and cleared only (a chain wide) the remainder of the distance. The area comprises hilly country, with about 10 acres of flat land and a good homestead-site. The soil, which rests on a papa formation, is of good quality, but light and rather shallow on the high ground. The forest is of a mixed character, and contains kahikatea, matai, maire, &c., and an undergrowth of konini, &c. At the northern end of the section there is an area of about 40 acres of half-open country, having grassy patches in flax, tutu, and koromiko scrub. The section is well watered by springs and streams.

Section 3, Block IV., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Sommerville Block, on Murray's Track. The access is from Hunterville, which is about twenty-four miles distant, by fifteen miles of dray-road and nine miles of bridle-track. The area comprises broken country, with enough flat land for a homestead-site. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth.

HUNTERVILLE No. I. BLOCK.

Rangitikei	Maungakaretu	3			204	0	0	1	7	6	280	10	0	1	4	5	7	0	3	1	1	2	5	12	3
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This section is situated in the Hunterville No. I. Block, on the Turakina Valley Road, the access being from Hunterville, which is about nineteen miles distant, by nine miles of dray-road to Otairi Station, nine miles of formed bridle-track

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.

up the Turakina River, and one mile of rough pack-track. The area comprises hilly country, with about 30 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, and rests on papa formation. The forest, which is of a mixed character, comprises rimu, matai, kahikatea, totara, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by constantly running streams. This section is weighted with £14 10s. for improvements, comprising 2½ acres grassed and a whare.

HUNTERVILLE No. II. BLOCK.

		A.	B.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	14	III.	202	0	0	1 2 6	227	5	0	1 1 5	5 13 8	0 10 8	4	10	11
		6	V.	200	0	0	1 7 6	275	0	0	1 4 5	6 17 6	1 1 2	5	10	0

Section 14, Block III., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Taheke Road, the access being from Murray's Track, which is about three miles distant, one mile and a half of which is a formed bridle-track. The area comprises broken country, with a few flats on the stream. The soil rests on a papa formation, and is of fair quality. The forest, which is of a mixed character, comprises rimu, rata, tawa, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered.

Section 6, Block V., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. II. Block, on the Turakina Valley and Karetu Roads, the access being from Hunterville, which is about seventeen miles distant, by fifteen miles and a half of formed dray-road and one mile and a half of formed bridle-track. The area comprises hilly country, with about 40 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, and comprises rimu, kahikatea, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. This section is weighted with £16 for improvements, comprising 8 acres in grass.

HUNTERVILLE No. III. BLOCK.

		14	VI.	200	0	0	1 10 0	300	0	0	1 6	7 10 0	1 2 4	6	0	0
Rangitikei	Tiriraukawa	14	VI.	200	0	0	1 10 0	300	0	0	1 6	7 10 0	1 2 4	6	0	0
		15	"	200	0	0	1 8 0	280	0	0	1 4 8	7 0 0	1 1 4	5	12	0

Section 14, Block VI., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. III. Block, on a surveyed road, the access being from Hunterville, which is about twenty miles distant, by fourteen miles of formed dray-road and six miles of bridle-track. The area comprises broken country, with small flats, and soil of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of a mixed character, and comprises rimu, matai, tawa, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth. This section is weighted with £35 for improvements, comprising 20 acres in grass.

Section 15, Block VI., Tiriraukawa, is situated in the Hunterville No. III. Block, on a surveyed road, the access being from Hunterville, which is about twenty miles distant, by fourteen miles of formed dray-road, five miles of bridle-track, and one mile of rough pack-track. The area comprises broken country with a few flats. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest comprises rimu, matai, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by constantly running streams.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

		2	XV.	200	0	0	1 5 0	250	0	0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5	0	0
Rangitikei	Maungakaretu	2	XV.	200	0	0	1 5 0	250	0	0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5	0	0
"	Pukeokahu	32	XIII.	200	0	0	1 5 0	250	0	0	1 3	6 5 0	1 0	5	0	0
"	"	33	"	225	0	0	1 7 6	309	7	6	1 4 5	7 14 9	1 1 2	6	3	9
Pohangina	Pohangina	44	X.	104	1	0	2 10 0	260	12	6	2 6	6 10 4	2 0	5	4	3

Section 2, Block XV., Maungakaretu, is situated on a surveyed road, the access being from Taihape, which is about twelve miles distant, by eleven miles of formed bridle-track and one mile of rough pack-track. The area comprises hilly country, with from 15 to 20 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, but rather light, and rests on a papa formation. The forest comprises rimu, matai, kahikatea, maire, a few totara, &c., and the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by constantly-running streams. The Rangitikei County Council has a claim of 11s. 6d. for rates due on this section.

Section 32, Block XIII., Pukeokahu, is situated on a surveyed road, and has access from Kaikoura (Utika Post-office), which is about twelve miles distant, by nine miles of formed horse-road to the Moawhango River, over which there is a foot-bridge, and three miles of good walking-track. There is also access from Moawhango, which is about fifteen miles distant by a rough Maori track. The section is rather broken, but there are a few acres of flat land, and the soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. With the exception of 10 or 15 acres of tutu and koromiko, the land is open, and it is well watered by constantly running streams.

Section 33, Block XIII., Pukeokahu, fronts on a surveyed road, the access being from Kaikoura (Utika Post-office), which is about twelve miles distant, by nine miles of formed horse-road to the Moawhango River, over which there is a foot-bridge, and from thence to the section by a good walking-track. There is also access from Moawhango, which is about fifteen miles distant, by a rough Maori track. Most of the land comprised in this section is ploughable, and there are from 50 to 60 acres of flat land. It has a good clay soil, resting on papa formation. With the exception of 75 acres of tutu and koromiko, the land is open grass country. It is well watered by constantly running streams and springs.

Section 44, Block X., Pohangina, is situated in the Awahou-Pohangina Block, on the main road, the access being from Ashurst Railway-station, which is about nine miles distant, and from Pohangina Township, which is about one mile and three-quarters distant by a metalled dray-road. With the exception of a steep gorge, the land is nearly all flat, and has a good soil resting on sandstone and shingle formation. The section is all in grass, and it is well watered by permanent streams in the gullies. This section is weighted with improvements comprising 104 acres in grass, £208; 84 chains of fencing, £58 16s.; yards, £3: total value, £269 16s.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

		18	VI.	600	0	0	1 2 6	675	0	0	1 1 5	16 17 6	0 10 8	13	10	0
Pahiatua	Makuri	18	VI.	600	0	0	1 2 6	675	0	0	1 1 5	16 17 6	0 10 8	13	10	0
"	"	50	XVI.	166	0	0	0 17 6	145	5	0	0 10 5	3 12 8	0 8 4	2	18	3

Section 18, Block VI., Makuri, is situated on the Woodville-Aohanga Road, and has access from Pahiatua, which is about thirteen miles and a half distant, by seven miles of formed and metalled dray-road, five miles of dray-road and horse-track, and one mile and a half of surveyed road, which is only partly cleared. The section is also about six miles distant from Hull's Crossing and Kohonui Post-office. The area comprises hilly and sloping country, with clay soil of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest, which is of a mixed character, comprises rata, rimu, a few totaras, maire, miro, &c., and the usual undergrowth of supplejack.

Section 50, Block XVI., Makuri, is situated on the Otawa Road, about a mile from its junction with the Mangatoro Road. The access is from Coonor, where there are a school and a post-office, the distance being about four miles and a half. The first three miles and a half of this distance is a formed and partly-metalled road, but the remaining mile has only been cleared of bush. The area comprises hilly land, with sharp spurs and ridges on the front of the section, and rather broken land on the back portion. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest comprises rata, miro, birch, &c., and an undergrowth of konini, supplejack, &c. The section is weighted with improvements comprising unfinished whare, £35; 140 acres in grass, £332 10s.; sheep-yards, £10; 30 chains of fencing, £30: the total value of which is £407 10s.

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

Auction Sale of Town Lands and Leases of Reserves in the Township of Waiau, Nelson Land District.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 17th February, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned town lands will be submitted to public auction for cash and lease, at the Courthouse, Waiau, on Wednesday, the 27th of April, 1898, at noon.

SCHEDULE.

TOWNSHIP OF WAIAU (AMURI COUNTY).

For Cash.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price per Section.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
1	XVII.	0 1 0	5 0 0
2	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
3	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
4	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
5	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
6	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
7	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
8	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
9	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
10	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
11	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
12	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
13	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
14	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
15	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
16	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
17	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
18	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
19	"	0 1 0	5 0 0
20	"	0 1 0	5 0 0

Terms of Sale.—One-fifth of the purchase-money must be deposited on the fall of the hammer, and the balance, with £1 Crown-grant fee, within thirty days, or the deposit will be forfeited and the sale be null and void.

Reserves for Leasing.

Block.	Area.	Upset Rental per Annum.	Term of Lease.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
XXIV.	2 2 0	2 0 0	10 years.
XXV.	2 2 0	2 0 0	10 "
XXII.	3 0 28	2 0 0	5 "

Terms of Sale.—A deposit of a half-year's rent and £1 1s. lease-fee must be paid on the fall of the hammer. Lessee will not be entitled to compensation at the end of the term on account of any improvements that may be effected.

THOMAS HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands in Orari Township for Sale and Lease by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 12th March, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of "The Land Act, 1892," that the under-mentioned town lands will be offered for sale and lease by public auction, at the local Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Wednesday, 4th May, 1898, at 3 o'clock p.m.

In the event of the lots not being disposed of at auction, they will immediately thereafter be open for selection by application, on the same terms and conditions.

SCHEDULE.

TOWN LANDS TO BE SOLD FOR CASH BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ORARI TOWNSHIP.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Total Upset Price.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
4	X.	0 1 5	10 0 0

Terms of Sale.

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

There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on purchasers of cash lands at auction.

TOWN LANDS TO BE LEASED BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ORARI TOWNSHIP.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Rental per Annum.	Term of Lease.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
3, 4, 5, 6	IX.	19 3 30	2 0 0	7 years.

Conditions of Lease.

1. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the acquisition of the lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.

2. Possession will be given on the date of acceptance of tender.

3. The lease shall be for a term of seven years, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by Government.

4. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.

5. The lands are let for grazing purposes, and the lessee will not be permitted to break up or crop any of the same without the written permission of the Land Board first had and obtained.

6. The lessee shall use all reasonable means to prevent the spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in his lease.

7. The lessee shall destroy rabbits on the land, and shall prevent their increase or spread to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands or the Stock Department.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

University College Lands, Auckland, for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 12th March, 1898.

THE under-mentioned land will be open on lease in perpetuity under Part III. of "The Land Act, 1892," subject to the provisions of section 121 of the said Act, on and after Wednesday, 27th April, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE ENDOWMENT LAND.
Second-class Land.

County.	Survey District.	Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity Half-yearly Rent
			A. R. P.	£ s. d.
Waikato	Taupiri	Lot 17 of Section 463	109 0 0	1 1 10

Open fern and tea-tree land at Kimihi, Huntly.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Suburban Land in Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 12th March, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned suburban lands will be submitted for sale by public auction at this office on Friday, the 29th day of April, 1898, at 11 a.m.

Suburbs Ngongotaha.—Lots 1 and 2: Each 1 acre; upset price, £2 per lot. Adjoining the Ngongotaha Railway-station.

Opaheke Parish (Manukau County).—Lot 59: 6 acres; upset price, £3 per acre. About two miles from Drury Railway-station.

Pokeno Suburbs.—Lot 262: 1 acre 2 roods 31 perches; upset price, £3 10s. per lot. Lot 263: 1 acre 3 roods 29 perches; £4. Lot 285: 1 acre; £2. Lot 285A: 1 acre and 7 perches; £2 2s. Lot 286: 39 perches; 10s. Lot 287: 3 roods 8 perches; £1 12s. Adjoining Village of Pokeno.

Tokatoka Survey District (Otamatea County).—Block X., Lot 1: 1 acre; upset price, £3. Subject to £75 for house.

Terms of Sale.—One-fifth cash on fall of the hammer, and the balance, with Crown grant, within thirty days thereafter.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 12th March, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned township and rural lands will be submitted for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 29th day of April, 1898, at 11 a.m.

Township of Tokatoka.—Lot 44: 1 rood 33 perches; upset price, £9 7s. 6d.

Kaeo Parish (Whangaroa County).—Section 76: 4 acres 2 roods 27 perches; upset price, £14 1s. 3d. Grass land, on main road, one mile from Kaeo.

Hukerenui Survey District (Bay of Islands County).—Block V., Section 11A: 7 acres and 15 perches; upset price, £10 10s. Section 14A: 7 acres 1 rood 18 perches; upset price, £14 15s. Both lots partly grassed; situated on formed road, one mile from Towai.

Titirangi Parish (Eden County).—Section 87B: 26 acres 3 roods 15 perches; upset price, £302 13s. 3d. Section 94: 12 acres and 17 perches; upset price, £181 17s. 6d. Situated between Mount Albert and Mount Roskill. Lot 87B adjoins the Wesleyan Mission Estate and swamp. Both lots are a little over one mile from Mount Albert Railway-station.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Auckland for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 12th March, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that a lease, for a term of seven years, under "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," will be submitted to public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 13th day of May, 1898, at 11 a.m.

Suburbs of Auckland.—Lot 101, Section 6 (Asylum Reserve), containing 1 acre 1 rood 26 perches, situated on corner of Eden Street and Normanby Road, off the Mount Eden Road, and about 12 chains from the Mount Eden Railway-station. Upset annual rent, £2.

Terms of Lease.—Seven years without right of renewal. No compensation for improvements will be paid by Government at any time, but the lessee shall have the right to remove within one month of the expiration of the term of lease all wood fences and buildings that may have been erected. The lease conveys no right to the scoria or stone upon the land. A tramway-line of 28 perches is reserved through the land, with full rights of ingress, egress, and regress to authorised persons.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands, Hawke's Bay, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 12th March, 1898.

THE under-mentioned sections in the Weber Survey District will be offered for lease by public auction, for a term of fourteen years, at the Lands and Survey Office, Napier, on Wednesday, 4th May, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

Survey District.	Block.	Section.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
Weber	..	III.	6	A. R. P. £ s. d. 74 0 0 3 0 0
	..	VII.	5	220 2 30 11 0 0

Section 6 contains medium soil, with thick undergrowth and a little timber. It is well watered, and easy of access, as it adjoins the main road from Dannevirke to Herbertville. Section 5 contains soil of fair quality, with some timber and

undergrowth still on the section. Well watered, and accessible from the main Dannevirke-Herbertville Road, distant one mile and a half.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

The leases shall be for a term of fourteen years, commencing from the 1st July, 1898. The successful bidder at the auction shall pay one year's rent on the fall of the hammer, together with £1 1s. lease-fee. No compensation shall be allowed nor shall any be claimed at the termination of the lease for any improvements effected on the land during the term of lease.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserve No. 1997, Waimate Gorge, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 12th March, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given, under section 23 of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that written tenders for the lease of the under-mentioned reserve for a term of seven years will be received up to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 20th April, 1898.

Tenders must be enclosed in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Christchurch, and marked on the outside "Tender for Reserve 1997," and must be accompanied by a post-office order, or by bank draft, or cheque marked "Correct for fourteen days" by the bank on which it is drawn, for the amount of one year's rent of the reserve at the rate tendered, together with a lease-fee of £1 1s.

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

WAIMATE AND WAITAKI SURVEY DISTRICTS.

Part of Reserve 1997: Area, 59 acres 3 roods 17 perches; upset rental per annum, £4 10s.; term of lease, seven years.

This reserve is situated in the Waimate Gorge, on the north-western side of the railway-line between Waimate and Arno, and consists of steep hillside, broken by gullies with patches of bush; the pasture comprises tussock and English grasses.

Conditions.

1. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the acquisition of the lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessees, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.
2. Possession will be given on the date of acceptance of tender.
3. The lease shall be for a term of seven years, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by Government.
4. The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance.
5. The lands are let for grazing purposes, and lessees will not be permitted to break up or crop any of the same without the written permission of the Land Board first had and obtained.
6. The lessee shall use all reasonable means to prevent the spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in his lease.
7. The lessee shall destroy rabbits on the land, and shall prevent their increase or spread to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands or the Stock Department.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Totara and Kauri Timber for Sale at Auckland.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 12th March, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned totara and green and dead kauri timber, standing on Section 176, Parish of Oruawharo, will be offered for sale by public auction at this office on Friday, the 13th day of May, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

41 totara-trees, containing 30,000 superficial feet.
78 green kauri-trees and 129 dead kauri-trees, containing 180,000 superficial feet.

Upset price, £105.
Conditions of Sale.—One-half the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance within three months thereafter. Timber to be removed within two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 12th March, 1898.

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 27th April, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.
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.
Bay of Islands	Kerikeri ..	13	XII.	A. R. P. 166 2 16	£ s. d. 0 10 0	£ s. d. 83 10 0	£ s. d. 0 0 6	£ s. d. 2 1	s. d. a. 0 4 8	£ s. d. 1 13 5

Volcanic and stony land, covered with fern; situate in Kerikeri Inlet. Subject to £50 for house.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 26th March, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Russell, Bay of Islands, on the 5th day of April, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.
[Auckland, 98-22.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION TO DETERMINE RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
151	Mita Wepiha, Ngapera Taiawa, and others (96-2, 1/193)	Kairaurau.

APPLICATIONS FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDERS.

No.	Name of Surveyor.	Name of Block.	Area.	Amount.
152	The Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Provincial District of Auckland (547-2, 4/77)	Porotaka	A. R. P. 590 0 0	£ s. d. 2 2 0
153	H. Munro Wilson (488-5, 4/81)	Pokeka B .. .. .	..	22 16 2

Land referred to the Native Land Court for Inquiry under Section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 26th March, 1898.

IN pursuance of an Order in Council, dated the 15th day of February, 1898, declaring that it shall be within the jurisdiction of the Native Land Court to determine whether or not the land set forth in the Schedule hereto, or any part thereof, was, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such land, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such land, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection (10) of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is hereby notified that at a sitting of the Native Land Court to be held at Russell, Bay of Islands, on the 5th day of April, 1898, and succeeding days, the Court will proceed to inquire into the above case, in accordance with the terms of the said Order in Council.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Land.	District.	Area.
154	Tapapanui (407-8, 1/123)	Waimate, Bay of Islands ..	1,724 acres.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 28th March, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Gisborne on the 18th day of April, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.
 [Gisborne, 98-12.]

R. C. SIM, Deputy Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
515	Transfer	26th March, 1898 ..	Poututu B6.. ..	Tapita Ireto and Hera Hokokao to Wiremu Pere and Peka Kerekere.

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

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 28th March, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to a Judge of the Court for a certificate under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienation hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificate must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice.
 [Gisborne, 98-13.]

R. C. SIM, Deputy Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
516	Transfer	26th March, 1898 ..	Whaitiri No. 2 ..	Iopa te Hau to W. L. Rees and E. J. Chrisp.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 5th April, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Hastings on the 5th day of May, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 98-22.]

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
360	Conveyance (98-77) ..	16th February, 1898 ..	Aranui D	Enoka te Ro to the Assets Realisation Board.
361	Transfer (98-80) ..	6th January, 1898 ..	Kakiraawa, Lot 2 ..	Atareta Mangumangu to William John Douglas.

"The Horowhenua Block Act, 1896."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 5th April, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the Native Appellate Court will sit at Levin, on the 12th day of May, 1898, to hear and determine the under-mentioned applications affecting Subdivision IX. of the Horowhenua Block. All persons interested are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

EDWARD BUCKLE,
 Registrar.

[Wellington, 98-23.]

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Nature of Application.
1	Heni Kipa (O. 78-65, 2/245)	For ascertainment of persons equitably entitled.
2	Wirihana Hunia and others (O. 78-49, 2/230)	For ascertainment of persons equitably entitled.
3	Raraku Hunia and others (O. 78-55, 2/233)	For ascertainment of persons equitably entitled.
4	Riria Wirihana (O. 78-63, 2/244)	That she be appointed successor to Tauteka, deceased.
5	Heni Kipa (O. 78-59, 2/242)	For appointment of successor to Te Wiiti, deceased.
6	Ru Reweti (L. Davis)	For ascertainment of persons equitably entitled.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 5th April, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Wellington on the 21st day of April, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 98-21.]

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
455	Conveyance (98-51) ..	24th December, 1897	Akura No. 10 ..	Taraipine Pou Manihera to James Macara.
456	Transfer (98-83) ..	5th March, 1898 ..	Piritaha No. 4 ..	Heni te Waru and others to James McWilliam.
457	Conveyance (98-84) ..	25th February, 1898 ..	Carnarvon, Section 365	Hare Timoti and others to Hakaraia te Whena.
458	Memorandum of transfer (98-58)	15th February, 1898 ..	Rangihiwini ..	Edward Nicholson and others to Archibald Paisley Stuart and John Davies.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
459	Puhara te Tau	Pohue.
460	Raiha Puaha and Hanikamu te Hiko.. .. .	Kukutauaki No. 1.

APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
502	Haeata te Henare and another	Kiore.

APPLICATION FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDER.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
503	Arthur O'N. O'Donahoo	Otari A, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 ..	£46.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 4th April, 1898.

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

[Sec. 55, 98-7.]

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (98-78).. ..	14th March, 1898 ..	Taonui Ahuaturanga 1F, part of Section 9A	Metapere Hoeta to Andrew Campbell.
2	Transfer (98-82).. ..	2nd April, 1898 ..	Polhill Gully, Section 23, Lot 1	Hana te Awhitu to Charles Collins.

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

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 6th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Appellate Court advertised to take place at Whanganui on the 31st March, 1898, and adjourned to the 5th May, 1898, has been further adjourned to the 20th May, 1898, at the same place.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

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

In the matter of "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893"; and in the matter of the blocks of land known as Te Mimiakairu No. 3c, Whitimaru No. 3, and Kaiatenanga No. 3.

A. EDWARD FAWCNER TIZARD, of Thames, mining agent, is the applicant.

B. The applicant desires to appear before the Validation Court at the Thames, to ask for relief, on the 11th day of May, 1898, at 10 a.m., or at the first sitting of the Court thereafter.

C. The natures of the transactions proposed for validation are as follows:—

- (1.) Transfer dated the 1st December, 1886, of Mimiakairu No. 3; Hohepa Mataitaua and Pete Patene to Edward Fawcner Tizard; consideration, £10.
- (2.) Transfer dated 7th December, 1886, of Whitimaru No. 3; Hohepa Mataitaua and Pete Patene to Edward Fawcner Tizard; consideration, £45.
- (3.) Transfer, dated 30th December, 1886, of Kaiatenanga: Hohepa Mataitaua, Pete Patene, Pati Tutere, and Hirini Tupua to Edward Fawcner Tizard; consideration, £52 10s.

D. The lands which were intended to be alienated were those portions of the said blocks now known as Mimiakairu No. 3c, containing 1 acre 1 rood 24 perches; Whitimaru No. 3, containing 34 acres; and Kaiatenanga No. 3, containing 15 acres 1 rood 22 perches. The titles thereto of the Maori alienors at the time of the said alienations were certificates of titles under "The Native Land Court Act, 1880."

E. The estate or interest which the said applicant desires to obtain in the said blocks is an estate of freehold.

F. The manner in which the said applicant came to be invested with the title he now holds to the said land is as follows: The deeds of transfers above mentioned.

G. The place for service of the applicant in the City of Auckland, where notices and other documents may be served upon him, is Lakomai, Wellesley Street East.

H. The applicant desires the estates and interests of the Native persons mentioned in paragraph C of this application, and all persons claiming through them, to be bound by the decree of the Court; and for that purpose requires that copies of this application should be served on Hirini Tupua and Hohepa Mataitaua in his own right and as representative of Pete Patene, deceased, and Pati Tutere, deceased.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1898.

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E. F. TIZARD.

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

IN THE VALIDATION COURT AT WANGANUI.

In the matter of "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893"; and in the matter of the block or parcel of land known as Section No. 13E of Awarua No. 2c Block.

ROBERT THOMPSON BATLEY, of Moawhango, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and Colony of New Zealand, storekeeper, desires to appear before the Validation

Court at Wanganui on Monday, the 23rd day of May, 1898, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and to ask that the estate and interest of Horima Paerau, of Moawhango aforesaid (now deceased), in the said Section No. 13E of Awarua No. 2c, containing by admeasurement 50 acres, more or less—which estate and interest the said Horima Paerau agreed to convey and assure to the said Robert Thompson Batley by memorandum of agreement dated the 31st day of December, 1886, made by the said Horima Paerau, and delivered by him on the said 31st day of December, 1886, to the said Robert Thompson Batley—be vested in him, the said Robert Thompson Batley, for an estate in fee-simple. The consideration for the said agreement was services rendered by the said Robert Thompson Batley to the said Horima Paerau, extending over the period from the year 1882 to the year 1886, and the love which the said Horima Paerau bore to the said Robert Thompson Batley, together with the further consideration of services rendered by the said Robert Thompson Batley to the said Horima Paerau from and after the said 31st day of December, 1886, to the date of the death of the said Horima Paerau on the 7th day of April, 1897, and moneys expended by the said Robert Thompson Batley on behalf of the said Horima Paerau during both of the above periods.

2. At the time of the said agreement the said Horima Paerau was entitled to an undivided share in the Awarua Block, of which the above-mentioned section is a portion, but the extent of such interest was not at the date of the said agreement ascertained. Since then the said Awarua Block has been partitioned, and the title to the said Section No. 13E of Awarua No. 2c is an order of the Native Land Court, dated the 13th day of August, 1896, vesting the said land in the said Horima Paerau.

3. The estate or interest in the land which the applicant seeks to obtain through the aid of the Court is an estate in fee-simple in the said Section No. 13E of Awarua No. 2c.

4. The said Horima Paerau became invested with his title to the said section by virtue of the said order of the Native Land Court dated the 13th day of August, 1896; the said Robert Thompson Batley became invested with such title as he holds by virtue of the above-mentioned agreement, and also by virtue of an order of the Governor, dated the 9th day of March, 1897, ordering and declaring that all restrictions imposed by the certificate of title and partition order of the said land on the alienation of the said land be thereby removed, and also by virtue of an order of the Governor in Council, dated the 8th day of March, 1897, excepting from the operation of the 117th section of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of absolute alienation to the said Robert Thompson Batley, all the estate, right, title, and interest of the said Horima Paerau in the said Section No. 13E of Awarua No. 2c.

5. The applicant names the office of Messrs. Bell, Gully, and Bell, in Wellington, as the place where notices, orders, and other documents may be served on the applicant by leaving the same at such place for him.

6. The applicant names Hakopa te Ahunga, of Moawhango aforesaid, and Hiraani te Hei, of Ponsonby, Auckland, as the persons upon whom the applicant requires that a copy of this application shall be served.

Hastings, 29th March, 1898.

R. T. BATLEY.

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PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE for Management during the Month of March, 1898.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Order, or Date of Filing of Election to administer.	Value or Estimated Value of Estate (gross).	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Anderson, John Johnston	Dunedin ..	Scotland ..	18 Mar., 1898	Under £2,450	24 Feb., 1898	Probate.
2	Brown, William ..	Waverley ..	Ireland ..	29 Mar., 1898	" £200	2 Nov., 1897	Probate.
3	Butler, Isabella ..	Wellington ..	England ..	8 Mar., 1898	" £350	17 Jan., 1898	Will annexed.
4	Capstick, John Selkirk	Dunedin ..	England ..	8 Mar., 1898	" £260	14 Jan., 1898	Relatives known.
5	Fenwick, Henry ..	Petone ..	.. ..	1 Mar., 1898	" £115	12 Feb., 1898	Relatives known.
6	Hardy, Samuel Whitaker	Hampden, H.B.	England ..	29 Mar., 1898	" £3,000	4 Feb., 1898	..
7	Moore, Fred. William Wallace	Hawarden ..	.. ..	25 Mar., 1898	" £350	22 Feb., 1898	Relatives known.
8	McArthur, Ellen ..	Wellington ..	.. ..	29 Mar., 1898	" £300	10 Feb., 1898	Probate.
9	Pain, John ..	Te Mata ..	.. ..	29 Mar., 1898	" £400	16 Jan., 1898	Probate.
10	Stack, John ..	Coolgardie, W.A.	.. ..	22 Mar., 1898	" £200	14 April, 1895	Will annexed.
11	Wretman, Johan Magnus	.. ..	Sweden ..	15 Mar., 1898	" £1,180	25 Sept., 1897	Relatives known.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Dated the 5th day of April, 1898.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 5th March, 1898, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1897.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	60	44	104	47	66	113
2nd Class	159	304	463	198	308	506
Total	219	348	567	245	374	619
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	96	..	..	92
Horses	..	..	1	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dogs	..	..	4	..	..	..
Total	..	..	101	..	..	93
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sheep	..	..	25	..	..	16
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	25	..	..	17
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	4	..	..	6
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	124	..	..	92
Minerals	..	..	929	..	..	583
Total	..	..	1,057	..	..	681
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	30 12 9	..	..	40 7 10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	6 10 11	..	..	6 8 3
Goods	..	..	148 18 5	..	..	101 19 8
Miscellaneous	..	..	0 18 3	..	..	0 18 0
Rents and Commission	..	..	1 16 0	..	..	3 5 0
Total	..	..	£188 16 4	..	..	£152 18 9

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	210	168	378	392	..	392
2nd Class	875	1,256	2,131	4,677	..	4,677
Total	1,085	1,424	2,509	5,069	..	5,069
Season Tickets	..	..	24	..	..	5
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	104	..	..	..
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	6	..	..	..
Total	..	..	110	..	..	..
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	3	..	..	2
Cattle	..	..	11	..	..	16
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sheep	..	..	1	..	..	2
Pigs	..	..	22	..	..	13
Total	..	..	37	..	..	34
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	42	..	..	42
Timber	..	..	1,939	..	..	1,102
Grain	..	..	124	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	256	..	..	359
Minerals	..	..	3,921	..	..	3,079
Total	..	..	6,282	..	..	4,582
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	128 6 3	..	..	145 9 1
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	8 6 3	..	..	17 0 1
Goods	..	..	1,051 0 8	..	..	755 17 11
Miscellaneous	..	..	23 2 7	..	..	12 19 4
Rents and Commission	..	..	2 1 11	..	..	2 14 3
Total	..	..	£1,212 17 8	..	..	£934 0 8

KAIHU SECTION.

	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	17	132	149	21	152	173
2nd Class	237	1,208	1,445	244	2,450	2,694
Total	254	1,340	1,594	265	2,602	2,867
Season Tickets	..	..	21	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	117	..	..	103
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	3	..	..	9
Total	..	..	120	..	..	112
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	6	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	3,603	..	..	3,437
Grain	..	..	6	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	152	..	..	132
Minerals	..	..	77	..	..	57
Total	..	..	3,844	..	..	3,626
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	99 9 10	..	..	180 10 7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	9 8 11	..	..	10 14 10
Goods	..	..	767 19 5	..	..	725 1 2
Miscellaneous	..	..	39 17 1	..	..	31 19 3
Rents and Commission	..	..	1 10 0	..	..	2 15 0
Total	..	..	£918 5 3	..	..	£951 0 10

AUCKLAND SECTION.

	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	1,905	4,012	5,917	1,834	3,950	5,784
2nd Class	8,347	25,174	33,521	8,568	23,244	31,812
Total	10,252	29,186	39,438	10,402	27,194	37,596
Season Tickets	..	..	736	..	..	735
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	5,724	..	..	5,391
Horses	..	..	96	..	..	53
Carriages	..	..	8	..	..	4
Dogs	..	..	196	..	..	161
Total	..	..	6,024	..	..	5,609
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	9	..	..	11
Cattle	..	..	731	..	..	648
Calves	..	..	139	..	..	66
Sheep	..	..	18,094	..	..	14,225
Pigs	..	..	126	..	..	62
Total	..	..	19,099	..	..	15,012
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	1,026	..	..	666
Wool	..	..	92	..	..	44
Firewood	..	..	336	..	..	320
Timber	..	..	1,478	..	..	1,973
Grain	..	..	1,255	..	..	1,204
Merchandise	..	..	3,190	..	..	2,586
Minerals	..	..	8,795	..	..	7,912
Total	..	..	16,172	..	..	14,705
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	4,465 6 9	..	..	4,254 12 9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	637 13 11	..	..	525 4 0
Goods	..	..	7,210 12 10	..	..	6,743 5 8
Miscellaneous	..	..	21 2 5	..	..	40 0 4
Rents and Commission	..	..	118 6 11	..	..	170 10 3
Total	..	..	£12,453 2 10	..	..	£11,733 13 0

WELLINGTON-NAPIER-NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

	1898.			1897.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	3,115	16,452	19,567	3,238	15,368	18,656	
2nd Class	15,162	74,810	89,972	13,873	65,722	79,595	
Total	18,277	91,262	109,539	17,161	81,090	98,251	
Season Tickets	..	1,260	..	..	1,043	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	13,663	..	11,363	..		
Horses	..	418	..	492	..		
Carriages	..	20	..	24	..		
Dogs	..	736	..	627	..		
Total	..	14,837	..	12,506	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	9	..	31	..		
Cattle	..	1,576	..	679	..		
Calves	..	51	..	62	..		
Sheep	..	120,068	..	93,388	..		
Pigs	..	551	..	685	..		
Total	..	122,255	..	94,845	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons.	..	Tons.	..		
Wool	..	1,212	..	396	..		
Firewood	..	957	..	914	..		
Timber	..	3,654	..	2,964	..		
Grain	..	8,288	..	5,832	..		
Merchandise	..	4,679	..	2,544	..		
Minerals	..	9,976	..	8,198	..		
Total	..	3,283	..	4,606	..		
Total	..	32,049	..	25,454	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	12,043	19	6	10,597	17	10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	1,788	10	1	1,622	6	3
Goods	..	17,853	9	0	13,929	11	8
Miscellaneous	..	449	11	11	453	4	0
Rents and Commission	..	260	10	9	237	19	1
Total	..	£32,396	1	3	£26,840	18	10

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

	1898.			1897.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	5,062	28,318	33,380	6,197	29,524	35,721	
2nd Class	24,081	150,156	174,237	24,194	151,358	175,552	
Total	29,143	178,474	207,617	30,391	180,882	211,273	
Season Tickets	..	2,225	..	..	2,030	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	23,706	..	22,314	..		
Horses	..	293	..	384	..		
Carriages	..	38	..	41	..		
Dogs	..	793	..	737	..		
Total	..	24,830	..	23,976	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	66	..	43	..		
Cattle	..	1,031	..	578	..		
Calves	..	44	..	41	..		
Sheep	..	178,986	..	122,658	..		
Pigs	..	1,671	..	1,665	..		
Total	..	181,798	..	124,985	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons.	..	Tons.	..		
Wool	..	3,214	..	2,068	..		
Firewood	..	7,395	..	8,290	..		
Timber	..	1,746	..	1,626	..		
Grain	..	9,899	..	7,080	..		
Merchandise	..	29,377	..	25,909	..		
Minerals	..	26,247	..	31,144	..		
Total	..	32,289	..	32,352	..		
Total	..	110,167	..	108,469	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	19,735	12	6	20,604	1	2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	2,659	0	0	2,750	18	0
Goods	..	39,237	19	3	37,651	5	9
Miscellaneous	..	614	6	0	834	19	9
Rents and Commission	..	588	11	0	929	11	10
Total	..	£62,835	8	9	£62,770	16	6

GREYMOUTH-BRUNNER SECTION.

	1898.			1897.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	104	360	464	163	380	543	
2nd Class	882	4,152	5,034	1,220	9,428	10,648	
Total	986	4,512	5,498	1,383	9,808	11,191	
Season Tickets	..	..	27	..	..	13
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	650	..	530	..		
Horses	..	1	..	3	..		
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	25	..	20	..		
Total	..	676	..	553	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	8	..	1	..		
Cattle	..	..	..	1	..	
Calves	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	253	..	382	..		
Pigs	..	59	..	..	..
Total	..	320	..	384	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons.	..	Tons.	..		
Wool	..	72	..	36	..		
Firewood	..	5	..	1	..		
Timber	..	234	..	6	..		
Grain	..	1,719	..	1,566	..		
Merchandise	..	186	..	143	..		
Minerals	..	417	..	379	..		
Total	..	12,087	..	10,624	..		
Total	..	14,720	..	12,755	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	184	18	10	232	19	7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	22	13	1	22	6	5
Goods	..	1,709	7	5	1,519	7	11
Miscellaneous	..	170	9	5	118	12	2
Rents and Commission	..	4	8	0	8	14	0
Total	..	£2,091	16	9	£1,902	0	1

GREYMOUTH-HOKITIKA SECTION.

	1898.			1897.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	80	466	546	86	426	512	
2nd Class	602	6,492	7,094	603	7,158	7,761	
Total	682	6,958	7,640	689	7,584	8,273	
Season Tickets	..	..	16	..	..	17
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	212	..	147	..		
Horses	..	3	..	1	..		
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	10	..	11	..		
Total	..	225	..	159	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	3	..	1	..		
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	70	..	40	..		
Pigs	..	49	..	12	..		
Total	..	122	..	53	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons.	..	Tons.	..		
Wool	..	36	..	..	..
Firewood	..	3	..	2	..		
Timber	..	18	..	30	..		
Grain	..	410	..	398	..		
Merchandise	..	21	..	..	..
Minerals	..	827	..	483	..		
Total	..	124	..	70	..		
Total	..	1,439	..	983	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	388	12	1	410	12	11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	28	2	9	21	18	9
Goods	..	433	9	0	286	0	2
Miscellaneous	..	0	14	8	Dr. 2	5	4
Rents and Commission	..	5	14	0	6	16	0
Total	..	£856	12	6	£723	2	6

WESTPORT SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	5	76	81	5	74	79
2nd Class	488	3,038	3,526	559	3,166	3,725
Total	493	3,114	3,607	564	3,240	3,804
Season Tickets	..	..	17	..	..	12
PARCELS, ETC.,—	..	..	No.	..	..	No.
Parcels	..	..	286	..	..	165
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	7	..	..	8
Total	..	..	293	..	..	173
GOODS,—	..	..	No.	..	..	No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cattle	..	..	1	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	100	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	101	..	..	1
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons. 6	..	..	Tons. ..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	252	..	..	216
Timber	..	..	363	..	..	258
Grain	..	..	5	..	..	3
Merchandise	..	..	218	..	..	183
Minerals	..	..	23,768	..	..	21,540
Total	..	..	24,612	..	..	22,200
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	251	18	8	241	5	7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	20	1	6	15	0	9
Goods	3,196	13	7	2,798	1	10
Miscellaneous	111	15	1	65	2	5
Rents and Commission	7	19	0	3	18	4
Total	£3,588	7	10	£3,123	8	11

NELSON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	51	94	145	84	466	550
2nd Class	675	5,436	6,161	720	5,736	6,456
Total	726	5,530	6,306	804	6,202	7,006
Season Tickets	67	..	..	76
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.
Parcels	232	..	..	237
Horses
Carriages
Dogs	17	..	..	12
Total	249	..	..	249
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.
Drays	1
Cattle
Calves	1
Sheep	33	..	..	36
Pigs	7
Total	33	..	..	45

NELSON SECTION—continued.

	1898.			1897.		
	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	42	..	..	126
Wool	..	..	10	..	..	12
Firewood	..	..	174	..	..	96
Timber	..	..	208	..	..	143
Grain	..	..	303	..	..	93
Merchandise	..	..	124	..	..	233
Minerals	..	..	351	..	..	205
Total	..	..	1,212	..	..	908
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	355	9	3	392	13	0
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	18	0	11	19	16	6
Goods	461	17	10	465	13	0
Miscellaneous	55	10	1	63	6	7
Rents and Commission	4	14	0	15	16	0
Total	£895	12	1	£957	5	1

PICTON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1898.			1897.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	107	354	461	131	272	403
2nd Class	535	2,512	3,047	459	1,378	1,837
Total	642	2,866	3,508	590	1,650	2,240
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	35
PARCELS, ETC.,—	..	..	No.	..	..	No.
Parcels	..	..	1	..	..	..
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	13	..	..	6
Total	..	..	14	..	..	6
GOODS,—	..	..	No.	..	..	No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	1
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	155	..	..	260
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	155	..	..	261
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons. 396	..	..	Tons. 228
Wool	..	..	16	..	..	10
Firewood	..	..	255	..	..	174
Timber	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grain	..	..	304	..	..	154
Merchandise	..	..	232	..	..	230
Minerals	..	..	233	..	..	190
Total	..	..	1,486	..	..	936
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	221	0	11	170	15	0
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	8	4	9	7	6	7
Goods	387	6	6	274	12	10
Miscellaneous	18	19	11	22	11	8
Rents and Commission	0	18	6	18	16	0
Total	£636	10	7	£494	2	1

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Railway Department, 5th April, 1898.

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1897-98.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 5th March, 1898.

Section.	Miles open for Traffic.	REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.		FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE.		
		Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Per Cent. of Revenue.	Revenue per Mile of Railway.	Expenditure per Mile of Railway.
NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 188 16 4	£ 2,131 17 7	£ 172 12 0	£ 2,817 18 11	132.18	£ 288 13 10	£ 381 11 11
Whangarei ..	18	1,212 17 8	11,370 5 2	504 10 1	8,046 6 8	70.77	684 6 5	484 5 5
Kaihu ..	17	918 5 3	10,926 2 6	319 9 7	4,942 19 10	45.24	696 5 5	314 19 10
Auckland ..	312	12,453 2 10	135,869 11 7	7,490 17 3	85,865 8 7	63.20	472 14 4	298 14 10
Wellington—Napier—New Plymouth ..	451	32,396 1 3	314,611 15 9	18,772 11 3	215,521 6 3	68.50	767 9 1	525 14 8
Total ..	806	47,169 3 4	474,909 12 7	27,260 0 2	317,194 0 3	66.79		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui—Bluff ..	1,142	62,835 8 9	697,622 11 5	34,066 1 11	424,420 4 7	60.84	£ 664 16 10	£ 404 9 6
Greymouth—Brunner	8	2,091 16 9	23,104 9 8	1,119 6 4	11,728 3 6	50.76	3,128 14 8	1,588 3 10
Greymouth—Hokitika	24	856 12 6	9,079 5 2	575 16 1	5,684 15 1	62.61	409 16 7	256 12 1
Westport ..	31	3,588 7 10	41,993 16 5	1,553 16 2	17,487 1 6	41.64	1,467 10 6	611 2 2
Nelson ..	23	895 12 1	9,209 19 6	794 13 6	8,600 10 5	93.38	433 16 1	405 1 11
Pictou ..	21	636 10 7	6,949 4 7	734 9 1	7,931 9 6	114.13	358 9 10	409 3 3
Total ..	1,249	70,904 8 6	787,959 6 9	38,844 3 1	475,852 4 7	60.39		
Grand total ..	2,055	118,073 11 10	1,262,863 19 4	66,104 3 3	793,046 4 10	62.80		

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 152 18 9	£ 2,338 15 2	£ 213 0 3	£ 2,549 19 7	109.03	£ 316 14 2	£ 345 6 2
Whangarei ..	18	934 0 8	8,401 9 5	493 9 7	7,303 0 8	86.93	568 17 0	494 9 6
Kaihu ..	17	951 0 10	8,446 14 11	353 11 8	3,648 0 0	43.19	538 5 5	232 9 5
Auckland ..	309	11,733 13 0	125,241 5 6	6,026 19 7	80,177 8 0	64.02	439 1 9	281 1 11
Wellington—Napier—New Plymouth ..	426	26,840 18 10	274,898 15 4	14,750 3 2	170,994 7 11	62.20	699 1 7	434 16 10
Total ..	778	40,612 12 1	419,327 0 4	21,837 4 3	264,672 16 2	63.12		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui—Bluff ..	1,133	62,770 16 6	658,591 9 7	34,289 14 2	390,722 11 2	59.33	£ 629 17 2	£ 373 13 6
Greymouth—Brunner	8	1,902 0 1	22,704 16 2	1,260 4 4	12,857 4 11	56.63	3,074 12 2	1,741 1 3
Greymouth—Hokitika	24	723 2 6	8,327 2 5	440 1 0	4,278 3 10	51.38	375 17 6	193 2 3
Westport ..	31	3,123 8 11	38,731 10 0	1,874 4 6	17,751 13 4	45.83	1,353 10 5	620 7 1
Nelson ..	23	957 5 1	8,647 17 9	735 12 10	7,869 0 7	90.99	407 6 7	370 12 10
Pictou ..	21	494 2 1	6,129 3 0	538 6 0	6,565 0 3	107.11	316 3 9	338 13 5
Total ..	1,240	69,970 15 2	743,131 18 11	39,138 2 10	440,043 14 1	59.21		
Grand total ..	2,018	110,583 7 3	1,162,458 19 3	60,975 7 1	704,716 10 3	60.62		

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Railway Department, 5th April, 1898.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC on ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1897, to 5th March, 1898.

All Sections.	Passengers.					Season Tickets.	Number.					Number.					
	First Class.		Second Class.		Total.		Total.	Parcels.	Horses.	Carriages.	Dogs.	Total.	Drays, &c.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
1898	S.	R.	S.	R.													
1897	109,138	619,648	548,239	3,031,114	4,308,139	44,902	490,015	9,113	790	21,293	521,211	851	38,013	3,322	2,058,523	38,223	2,138,932
Inc.	..	11,354	..	276,436	271,010	5,796	45,473	..	88	677	44,912	102	7,829	637	396,970	..	396,888
Dec.	4,830	..	11,950	..	..	..	..	1,326	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9,150	..

All Sections.	Tons.																
	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.		
1898	..	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.
1897	..	71,372	0 0	97,949	12 0	77,055	0 0	290,932	3 0	382,989	3 0	423,096	2 0	971,768	16 0	2,315,162	16 0
Increase	..	15,636	0 0	5,750	0 0	4,037	0 0	59,848	18 0	12,211	9 0	51,212	6 0	29,078	2 0	177,773	15 0
Decrease

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1897, as furnished by Public Works Department, including Public Works Loan Expenditure on Harbour-works forming Part of the Railway System.

Section.	Cost of Opened Lines.			Cost of Unopened Lines.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Kawakawa	90,638	0	0	..	..	..
Whangarei-Kamo	137,734	0	0	1,195	0	0
Kaihu	54,990	0	0	..	..	..
Marton-Te Awamutu (north end)	184,624	0	0	119,713	0	0
Auckland	1,979,071	0	0	110,371	0	0
Napier	872,931	0	0	..	..	..
Marton-Te Awamutu (south end)	143,630	0	0	98,761	0	0
Wanganui	1,446,564	0	0	..	..	..
Wellington-Foxton (private line)	..	..	..	42,116	0	0
Wellington	1,098,418	0	0	116,470	0	0
Surveys	..	..	..	28,597	0	0
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	5,169	0	0
Hurunui-Bluff	8,551,104	0	0	129,967	0	0
Greymouth	200,238	0	0	15,959	0	0
Greymouth Harbour Works	..	..	..	127,234	0	0
Greymouth-Hokitika	192,597	0	0	..	..	..
Westport	227,494	0	0	..	..	..
Westport Harbour Works	..	..	..	14,111	0	0
Nelson	166,736	0	0	12,537	0	0
Picton	205,573	0	0	58,637	0	0
Stock	..	..	..	32,788	0	0
Stock in suspense	25,000	0	0
Surveys	38,795	0	0
Miscellaneous	5,168	0	0
Total	15,577,892	0	0	957,588	0	0

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

NOTICE is hereby given that FREDERICK DUKE YONGE, of Coromandel, Auctioneer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 4th day of April, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 25th March, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE HENRY VICKERS, of Hastings, Auctioneer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Hastings, on Wednesday, the 13th day of April, 1898, at 10.30 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Napier, 4th April, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWIN JAMES TOZER, of Feilding, Painter and Decorator, was adjudged bankrupt on the 30th March; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Feilding, on the 15th day of April, 1898, at 2 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Palmerston North, 4th April, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE JAMES BEVEGE, of Eltham, Painter and Decorator, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Athenaeum, Eltham, on Tuesday, the 5th day of April, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

C. A. BUDGE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Hawera, 30th March, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that RICHARD JONES, Fruiterer, of Masterton, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Masterton, on Wednesday, the 6th day of April, 1898, at 2 o'clock p.m.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 30th March, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS HAWKE, Cabinet-maker, of Pahiatua, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Pahiatua, on Thursday, the 7th day of April, 1898, at 3 o'clock p.m.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 30th March, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT HOWE, of Wellington, Clerk, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 7th day of April, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 31st March, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM HEGINBOTHAM, of Wellington, Architect, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 7th day of April, 1898, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 1st April, 1898.

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

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 19th day of April, 1898, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1898.

Jessie Mouat, Storekeeper, Charleston.
John Bredbury, Farmer, Fern Flat.
Wong Pang Kee, Storekeeper, Westport.
Charles Gooding, Miner, Denniston.
Louis Carmine, Bootmaker, Lyell.
Edward Benson, Miner, Mokihinui.
John McGill, Miner, Mokihinui.
John McNeill, Labourer, Westport.
Thomas Smart, Storekeeper, Denniston.

A. D. BAYFEILD,
Deputy Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.

In the estate of THOMAS BENNETT CRESSEY, Ahaura.

A FIRST and final dividend, of 4s. 3½d. in the pound, on all accepted proved claims is now payable at my office, Hospital Street, Greymouth.

G. S. SMITH.

Greymouth, 26th March, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JAMES McCULLOCH, of Tahakopa, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 5th day of April, 1898, at 11.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 30th March, 1898.

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

Name of company: New Eldorado Sluicing Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 17th April, 1893.
Whether in active operation or not: Not since May, 1897.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; John R. Hooper.
Nominal capital: £3,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £2,942.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,198.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,198.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,570.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,500.
Number of shares allotted: 2,942.
Amount paid per share: £1.
Amount called up per share: £1.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 58; £58.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 5.
Present number of shareholders: 57.
Number of men employed by company: 11.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £393.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,377.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £48 8s. 1d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) £99 4s. 1d.

I, John R. Hooper, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the New Eldorado Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN R. HOOPER,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 29th day of March, 1898, before me—A. Herdman, J.P. 469

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri Union Claims (Limited), (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").
When formed, and date of registration of office of company in colony: 15th December, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: —; P. M. Hansen.
Where mine is situate: Waitekauri District.
Nominal capital: £300,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £24,407.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: Nil.
Price paid to vendors of mine—
(a.) In fully paid-up shares: £230,007.
(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up: Nil.
(c.) In cash: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 300,000.
Number of shares on Colonial Register: 87,500.
Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number of forfeited shares on Colonial Register sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: 1.
Number of men employed by company in colony: 61.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement:
Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £3,764 10s. 4d.
Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £1,784 1s.
Amount of cash in hand in colony:
Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: £200.
Amount of such debts considered good: £200.
Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: Nil.

I, Paul Maximilian Hansen, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Waitekauri Union Claims (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of July, 1897, being the date of the last balance-sheet; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

P. M. HANSEN,
Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 22nd day of March, 1898, before me—C. F. Buddle, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 470

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Zealand Consolidated (Limited), (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").
When formed, and date of registration of office of company in colony: 20th November, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Reefton and Auckland; G. G. Dixon.
Where mine is situate:
Nominal capital: £50,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £50,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: Nil.
Price paid to vendors of mine—
(a.) In fully paid-up shares: Nil.
(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up: Nil.
(c.) In cash: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.

Number of shares on Colonial Register: Nil.
Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number of forfeited shares on Colonial Register sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: Nil.
Number of men employed by company in colony: 3.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement:
Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £2,346 1s. 2d.
Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £238 10s. 8d.
Amount of cash in hand in colony:
Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: Nil.
Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: Nil.

I, Paul Maximilian Hansen, of Auckland, acting for the Attorney of the New Zealand Consolidated (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of July, 1897, being the date of the last balance-sheet; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

P. M. HANSEN.

Declared at Auckland, this 22nd day of March, 1898, before me—C. F. Buddle, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 471

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Inkermann Combined Gold-mines (Limited), (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").
When formed, and date of registration of office of company in colony: 20th November, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Reefton and Auckland; G. G. Dixon.
Where mine is situate: Reefton District.
Nominal capital: £200,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £25,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: Nil.
Price paid to vendors of mine—
(a.) In fully paid-up shares: £141,500.
(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up: Nil.
(c.) In cash: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 200,000.
Number of shares on Colonial Register: Nil.
Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.
Number of forfeited shares on Colonial Register sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: Nil.
Number of men employed by company in colony: 78.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement:
Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £2,166 19s. 3d.
Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £2,079 1s. 1d.
Amount of cash in hand in colony:
Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: Nil.
Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: Nil.

I, Paul Maximilian Hansen, of Auckland, acting for the Attorney of the Inkermann Combined Gold-mines (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 30th day of June, 1897, being the date of the last balance-sheet; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously

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

P. M. HANSEN.

Declared at Auckland, this 22nd day of March, 1898, before me—C. F. Buddle, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 472

THE WINDING CREEK GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," "The Mining Act, 1891," "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," and the several amendments of those Acts.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Winding Creek Gold-mining Company (Limited), incorporated in England, and whose Registered Office is at 11, Cornhill, London, intends to commence and carry on business at Waikaiti, in the Provincial District of Otago, and that its office or place of business in this colony, where legal proceedings of any kind may be served upon it, and to which notices of any kind may be addressed or given, will be situated in High Street, Dunedin.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1898.

R. HAY,
Attorney.

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

To the Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

YOU are hereby notified that the Registered Office of the Queen Victoria of Hauraki Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed to No. 5, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland.

EDMUND BELL, }
G. W. BASLEY, } Directors.

26th March, 1898.

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IN LIQUIDATION.

MONOWAI AMALGAMATED GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

AS the affairs of the above-named company are now fully wound up, a Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the office of the undersigned, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland, on Wednesday, 15th day of June, 1898, at 2.30 p.m.

Business: To receive the Liquidator's report and statement of accounts.

WM. CLARKE,
Liquidator.

Auckland, 31st March, 1898.

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THE HAURAKI SOUTH GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above-named company has been removed from Legal Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland, and is now situated at Nos. 26 and 27, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

D. A. BOWICK,

Attorney for the said Company in New Zealand.
Auckland, 16th March, 1898.

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Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

JAMES MITCHELL.—6 acres 1 rood 14 perches, being part of Section 2 of 32, Block I., Hundred of Invercargill. Unoccupied. No. 2692.

CUTHBERT COWAN.—1 acre, being part of Section 1, Block III., Invercargill Hundred. Unoccupied. No. 2693.

GEORGE GIBB FYFE.—54 acres 1 rood 3 perches, being parts of Sections 1 and 8, Block V., Tuturau District. Occupied by Albert Hormann. Nos. 2694 and 2695.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

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

8227. JOHN DUXBURY.—21 acres 2 roods 1 perch, Rural Section 11299, and part of 11300, Pigeon Bay Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8232. NICHOLAS MARTIN.—38 perches, part of Rural Section 206, Borough of St. Albans. Occupied by Applicant.

8234. WILLIAM ALEXANDER PATERSON.—49 acres 1 rood 30 perches, part of Rural Section 3889, Grey Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8235. ADA MARGARET DONOVAN.—1 rood, part of Lot 166, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Applicant.

8237. WILLIAM FORD (Executor of BENJAMIN LANGCASTER, deceased).—1 rood 15 perches, Lot 13, Plan 1346, part of Rural Section 62, Borough of Sydenham. Occupied by Joseph Barry.

8238. JABEZ ELLEN.—20 acres, Rural Section 7906, Alford Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8239. HARRIETT ANNIE TODD and EMILY LOUISA TODD.—2 acres, part of Rural Section 370, Rangiora Survey District. Occupied by William John Maddren.

8240. FREDERICK JAMES CATERER.—15½ perches, part of Lot 99, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Robert Kerr.

8242. THOMAS BASSETT.—13¼ perches, part of Section 901, City of Christchurch. Unoccupied.

8245. STEWART SHIRLEY BLACKBURNE.—32½ perches, part of Section 323, City of Christchurch. Unoccupied.

8246. JOHN BROWN.—239 acres, Rural Section 7774, Wakanui Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 7th day of May, 1898.

2763. THOMAS PRICE.—240 acres 3 roods 14 perches, parts of Section 237, Taratahi Plain Block. Occupied by James Alexander Ordish, Charles Tunnicliff, and Alfred Merwood.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

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WHEREAS a dealing affecting Mortgage No. 2932, from FREDERICK PEACH to SAMUEL HAMELING, has been presented for registration, and evidence adduced of the loss of the said mortgage: Now notice is hereby given of my intention to register such dealing, dispensing with the production of the said mortgage, at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the Gazette containing this notice.

Dated the 4th day of April, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Napier.

THOS. HALL,
District Land Registrar.

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

3348. THE NEW ZEALAND AND RIVER PLATE LAND MORTGAGE COMPANY (LIMITED).—Part of Allotment 6, Section 8, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 5 acres 3 roods 16 perches. Occupied by Tenants.

3403. FRANK MINTON HILLS.—Lot 22 of Allotment 79, Parish of Paremoremo, containing 9 acres 2 roods 9 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

3404. HAROLD FLETCHER HILLS.—Lot 21 of Allotment 79, Parish of Paremoremo, containing 9 acres 2 roods 7 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

J. M. BATHAM,
Deputy District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the parcel of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 2nd day of May, 1898.

1184. Applicant: GEORGE EBBETT.—2 roods, Sections 89 and 90, East Hastings. In occupation of Applicant. Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Napier.

THOS. HALL,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

THE NEW ZEALAND FRUIT AND VEGETABLE EVAPORATING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

A GENERAL Meeting of shareholders in the above company will be held at 10 o'clock a.m. of 15th June, 1898, at the office of A. Yates and Co., 190, Queen Street, Auckland, for the purpose of having the Liquidators' accounts laid before them.

JAS. MUIR, } Liquidators.
E. YATES, }

Auckland, 30th March, 1898.

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ALEXANDER GILLESPIE (son of the late John Gillespie, Postmaster, Bannockburn, Stirlingshire, Scotland), who was for some time in New Zealand, afterwards in Melbourne, and later possibly in Sydney, will hear of something to his advantage by applying to John Paterson, 541, Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, or the subscribers; or any information regarding him will be thankfully received.

A. AND J. JENKINS,
Solicitors, Stirling, Scotland.

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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership between the undersigned in the business of "J. and D. Andrews, Venetian-blind Manufacturers, at 205, Willis Street, Wellington," and of "D. and J. Andrews, Coal Merchants, at 105, Tory Street, Wellington," has been dissolved as from the 31st March, 1898. In future Mr. DAVID ANDREWS will carry on the business of Coal Merchant, at 105, Tory Street, on his own account; and Mr. JOSEPH ANDREWS will carry on the business of Venetian-blind Manufacturer, at 205, Willis Street, Wellington, on his own account.

D. ANDREWS.
J. ANDREWS.

Witness to both signatures—

HENRY HALL,
Solicitor, Wellington.

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In the matter of the New Zealand Co-operative and Agency Company (Limited).

At an extraordinary general meeting of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at the Company's Office, Crawford Street, Dunedin, on the 28th day of February, 1898, the following extraordinary resolution was duly passed:—

Resolution: "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the company be wound up voluntarily; and that ALEXANDER BROWN, of Green Island, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up."

Dated at Dunedin, this 30th day of March, 1898.

GARDEN WATSON,

Witness—
ALFRED JAMES,
Solicitor, Dunedin.

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NELSON SAVINGS-BANK.

NOTICE is hereby given that the rate of interest upon deposits with this bank will be reduced to three per centum per annum on and after 1st May, 1898.

Nelson, 4th February, 1898.

H. EDWARDS,
Vice-President.

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