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*Proclaiming Road-lines as closed through Lands in the Maerewhenua Estate.*

RANFURLY, Governor.  
By his Deputy,  
(I.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST.  
A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section eleven of "The Land for Settlements Act Amendment Act, 1895," I, James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, in the name and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, and as his duly appointed Deputy, do by this notice hereby, with the consent of the Waitaki County Council, proclaim as closed the road-lines in the Maerewhenua and Awamoko Survey Districts hereinafter described, that is to say:—

Area.	Traversing or between.	Block.	Survey District.	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 3 11	Between Sections Nos. 2 and 13	II.	Awamoko	Green.
2 3 11	Between Sections Nos. 5 and 6, traversing No. 25, and extending to the Waitaki River	III.	"	"
8 3 0	Traversing Sections Nos. 1 and 12, Block III., and Section No. 9, Block IV., and extending by a branch to Section No. 13, Block III.	III. and IV.	Maerewhenua	"

As the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 26706a, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

Given under the hand of Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, for and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor, and as his duly appointed Deputy 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 fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN McKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Cancelling Proclamation taking Land for a Road near Marton in connection with the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway.*

RANFURLY, Governor.  
By his Deputy,  
(I.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST.  
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the twenty-second section of "The Public Works Act, 1894," it is, among other things, enacted that, in any case where a Proclamation has been issued taking lands for any public work, and where, before such Proclamation has been registered by the District Land Registrar as by the said Act provided, it is found that such Proclamation incorrectly describes the land purporting to be taken, the Governor may, by a subsequent Proclamation, cancel and annul such first-mentioned Proclamation, or any part thereof: And whereas the land mentioned in the Schedule to a Proclamation made under the said Act, dated the twenty-fifth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, taking land for a road near Marton in connection with the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, is incorrectly described, and such Proclamation has not been registered by the District Land Registrar as provided by the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, in the name and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, and as his duly appointed Deputy, in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Public Works Act, 1894," do by this Proclamation hereby cancel and annul the said Proclamation, dated the twenty-fifth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, taking land for a road near Marton in connection with the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway.

Given under the hand of Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, for and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor, and as his duly appointed Deputy 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 tenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

**ERRATUM.**—In the first clause of the stipulations in the Order in Council of the 26th April, 1898, published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 30, of the 28th April, page 638, delegating powers to the Omaka Domain Board, *instead of* "The first meeting shall be held on Wednesday, the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight," read "The first meeting shall be held on Wednesday, the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight."

Land taken for a Road near Marton in Connection with the  
Foxton-New Plymouth Railway.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

(L.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain public work, to wit, the construction of a road near Marton in connection with the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway:

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

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

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, in the name and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, and as his duly appointed Deputy, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in any-wise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road. And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the date of the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 0 0 24	14	III.	Rangitoto.
2 2 23	8	III.	Rangitoto.
2 0 26	7	III.	Rangitoto.

In the Land District of Wellington; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18116, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured green and neutral tint.

Given under the hand of Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, for and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor, and as his duly appointed Deputy 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 tenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Military Districts abolished and reconstituted.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

(L.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Defence Act, 1886" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor from time to time may divide the colony into districts for the purposes of the said Act, and may designate the same respectively by such names as he may deem fit: And whereas, by Proclamation bearing date the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 25, of the ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, a portion of the "Otago Military District" was detached from the said Otago Military District, and formed into the "Southland Military District," with headquarters at Invercargill: And whereas, by Proclamation bearing date the eighteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 36, of the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, the Otago District as theretofore constituted under the said Act was abolished, and two districts, known as the "North Otago District" and the "South Otago District," were respectively constituted in lieu thereof: And whereas it is expedient to abolish the said "Southland Military District,"

and the "North Otago and South Otago Military Districts," heretofore constituted respectively as aforesaid, and to create the district described in the Schedule hereto in lieu thereof:

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 conferred on me by the said Act, do hereby constitute for the purpose of the said Act, as and from the tenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, the Otago District, as described in the Schedule hereto, and do hereby declare that such district shall be called and known by the name set opposite the description thereof in the said Schedule; and I do hereby further declare that, as and from the said tenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, the districts heretofore constituted for defence or military purposes under the said Act or otherwise shall be abolished.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO (INCLUDING THE SUB-DISTRICTS OF NORTH OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND).

ALL that area in the Otago and Southland Land Districts, bounded towards the north generally by the Waitaki River; towards the east and south generally by the sea; and towards the north-west by a right line from Orepuki to North Roughridge Hill, and thence by a right line to the junction of the Waitaki and Hakateramea Rivers.

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

T. THOMPSON,

Minister of Defence.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR 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, do hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of mortgage to the Government Advances to Settlers Office Superintendent, the block or parcel of land known as Ruatangata 1c No. 1, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing six hundred and five acres, more or less, being the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the twenty-seventh day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in favour of Ratana Ngahina and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.  
By his Deputy,  
JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR 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 blocks or parcels of land known as Whakatomotomo No. 3, containing one hundred acres, more or less, and Whakatomotomo No. 4, containing one hundred acres, more or less, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, being the lands comprised in partition orders of the Native Land Court, dated the thirtieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in favour of Huriana Kingi and Katarina te Wharekura respectively.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.  
By his Deputy,  
JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR 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 Poroti No. 6, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing thirty-five acres and eleven perches, more or less, being the land comprised in an order of the Native Land Court, dated the eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in favour of Hira te Taka and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Vesting a Reserve in the Northern Wairoa Agricultural and Pastoral Association.*

RANFURLY, Governor.  
By his Deputy,  
JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was permanently reserved for an agricultural and pastoral showground on the twenty-second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient that the said land should be vested in the Northern Wairoa Agricultural and Pastoral Association:

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 Northern Wairoa Agricultural and Pastoral Association," in trust, for a showground.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 22 acres 2 roods, more or less, being part of Section No. 13 of the Parish of Arapohue, Block II., Tokatoka Survey District. Commencing at a point on the south-western boundary of Section No. 13, at a distance of 1500 links from its southernmost angle, and bounded towards the north-west by a line, 1500 links; towards the north-east by a line, 1500 links; towards the south-east by a line, 1500 links; and towards the south-west by a line, 1500 links, to the commencing-point: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Vesting a Reserve in the Inglewood Town Board.*

RANFURLY, Governor.  
By his Deputy,  
JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was permanently reserved for a site for a public library and mechanics' institute on the twenty-second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient that the said land should be vested in the Inglewood Town 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 reserve mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in "The Inglewood Town Board," in trust, for a site for a public library and mechanics' institute.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 28 perches, more or less,

being Sections Nos. 189 and 190, Town of Inglewood. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 178, Town of Inglewood aforesaid, 200 links; towards the east by a railway reserve, 244.2 links; towards the south-west by the Junction Road, 209.6 links; and towards the west by Richmond Street, 181.2 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, New Plymouth.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Changing the Purpose of a Portion of a Reserve in Canterbury.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto was permanently reserved for a cemetery: And whereas the said reserve is for one of the purposes comprised in Class I. of the Schedule to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and in the opinion of the Governor it is expedient to change the purpose of a portion of such reserve:

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 Public Reserves Act, 1881," doth hereby order and direct that the purpose of the portion of the reserve mentioned in the second column of the Schedule hereto shall be changed from a reserve for a cemetery to that of a reserve for plantation purposes.

SCHEDULE.

FIRST COLUMN. Description of Original Reserve.	SECOND COLUMN. Portion over which the Purpose is changed.
All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 4 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 298, situate in the Town of Ashburton. Bounded towards the north-east by Kermod Street, 1000 links; towards the south-east by the Town Belt, 500 links; towards the south-west by Dobson Street, 1000 links; and towards the north-west by Williams Street, 500 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: save and except thereout a street-line situate in the above-described section: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Survey Office, Christchurch. — <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , No. 20, 1864, page 84.	All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre and 6 perches, more or less, being Section No. 3232 (in red), Town of Ashburton. Bounded towards the north-east by a closed road, being Reserve 298x, 854.3 links; towards the south-east by the South-east Town Belt, 150 links; and towards the south-west by Dobson Street, 811.3 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.

*Extending Time for Preparation of Burgess Roll, Borough of the City of Auckland.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it has been made to appear that certain things required to be done by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," in connection with the making and revision of the burgess lists or rolls of the Borough of the City of Auckland cannot be done by or within the time required by the said Act

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the time for the doing of the said things in connection with the burgess lists or rolls of the said Borough of the City of Auckland, and doth declare that the times for the doing of such several things shall be those which are specified in the Schedule hereunder.

SCHEDULE.

1. Burgess list to be made out on or before the 20th May, 1898.
2. Burgess and defaulters' list open for inspection, and delivery of objections thereto, until the 4th June, 1898.
3. Inspection of lists of objections, from the 5th June, 1898, to the 14th June, 1898.
4. Sitting of Council to determine claims and objections, between the 15th and 29th June, 1898.
5. Burgess roll to come into force on the 1st August, 1898.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Extension of Time for Preparation of County Rolls, Horowhenua.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it has been made to appear that, owing to unavoidable circumstances, the preparation of the rolls for the County of Horowhenua, and the taking of certain steps consequent on such preparation, cannot be made and taken within the times limited by "The Counties Act, 1886," and it is expedient to extend the said times respectively:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the several dates mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall be the respective dates for taking the several steps set out in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

1. For preparing the rolls for ridings within the County of Horowhenua: Until the 22nd June, 1898.
2. Time for which such rolls shall be open for inspection: From the 27th June, 1898, to the 15th July, 1898.
3. Time for appeals against the said rolls: Until the 31st July, 1898.
4. Revision Courts may sit for hearing applications with reference to the said rolls, and adjourn: Until the 15th August, 1898.
5. Time when the said rolls, having been duly corrected and signed, shall come into force: On the 16th August, 1898.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Alteration of Regulations under "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896."*

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

JAMES PRENDERGAST.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of May, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of all powers and authorities vested in him by "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby alter the regulations under the said Act, made by Order in Council dated the fifteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the following extent: By striking out the word "Year" in the second lines of the headings of forms numbered eight and nine in the Schedule to the said regulations, and inserting in each case, in place of the said word "Year," the word "Period."

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Rural Lands in the Auckland [Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,  
JAMES PRENDERGAST.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, in the name and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, and as his duly appointed Deputy, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on and after the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight; and that the said lands may be selected on lease in perpetuity, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892"; and I do hereby declare that the rentals at which the said lands shall be leased shall be those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—PIAKO COUNTY.—RANGIATEA ESTATE.

*First-class Land.*

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.		
			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Waitoa ..	30	XVI.	118	0	0	3	6	10	6	6
	31		231	2	0	3	0	17	7	3
	32		294	0	0	2	6	18	7	6
	33		264	2	0	3	6	23	2	10
	34		421	0	0	3	0	31	11	6
	35		250	0	0	4	6	28	2	6
	36		521	0	0	4	4	56	10	0
	37		119	0	0	4	6	17	8	6
	38		116	2	0	4	0	11	13	0
39	140	3	0	3	6	12	6	3		
Maungakawa	1	IV.	173	0	0	3	0	12	19	6
	2		219	0	0	3	6	19	3	3
	3		163	0	0	4	6	18	6	9
	4		209	0	0	4	0	20	18	0
	5		232	0	0	3	0	17	8	0
	6		161	0	0	1	6	6	0	9
7	92	0	0	5	6	12	13	0		
8	88	0	0	5	6	12	2	0		
9	101	0	0	5	6	13	17	9		

\* Interest and sinking fund on buildings, repayable in fourteen years.

As witness the hand of Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, for and on behalf of His Excellency the Governor, and as his duly appointed Deputy, this fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

*Postmaster appointed to take and receive Statutory Declarations.*

PURSUANT to the authority conferred upon me by the eighth section of "The Justices of the Peace Act Amendment Act, 1888," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify and declare that

SARAH BOWMAR,

being a person holding the office of Postmaster, under "The Post Office Act, 1881," at Mangawai, is authorised to take and receive statutory declarations under the two-hundred-and-thirty-fourth section of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

As witness my hand, this thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,  
JAMES PRENDERGAST.

*Public Vaccinator, Lumsden, appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

MICHAEL DOMINIC MURPHY, Esq., Lic. Fac. Phys. and Surg. Glasg., &c.,

to be a Public Vaccinator, under "The Public Health Act, 1876," for the District of Lumsden.

J. CARROLL.

*Inspector of Weights and Measures, Thames, appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

Constable RICHARD THOMAS HODGSON

to be an Inspector of Weights and Measures, under "The Weights and Measures Act, 1868," and the Acts amending the same, for the Counties of Thames, Ohinemuri, and Coromandel, and for the Borough of Thames.

J. CARROLL.

*Inspectors of Abattoirs, Piako and Waipawa Counties, appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Inspectors of Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, under "The Slaughterhouses Act, 1894," for the ridings of the counties set opposite their names in the Schedule hereto.

Name.	Ridings.	County.
Constable JOHN WATSON FORBES	Te Aroha, Waitoa, and Matemata	Piako.
HENRY HOBIN	Waipawa, Waipukurau, and Ruataniwha	Waipawa.

J. CARROLL.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

EMILY BLACKMORE

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Black's, on and from the 18th May, 1898.

J. CARROLL.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be the Deputies of the Registrars of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the districts set respectively opposite their names, viz. :-

Name.	District.
ROBERT KAYE .. .. .	Nelson.
JOHN COCKBURN .. .. .	Sanson.

J. CARROLL.

*Justices of the Peace appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 5th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

JOHN BENNETT TUNBRIDGE, Esq., of Wellington,  
JOHN CULLEN, Esq., of Greymouth, and  
JAMES LOCKHART STEVENSON, Esq., of Wanganui,

to be Justices of the Peace for the colony.

T. THOMPSON.

*Local Body appointed to have Authority throughout Licensing District.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 11th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint the

AMBERLEY TOWN BOARD

to have authority for the purposes of the Licensing Act throughout the Ashley Licensing District, in place of the Amuri County Council, previously appointed, as from the 31st day of May, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

*Police Gaolers appointed.*

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint the persons hereafter named to be Police Gaolers at the places respectively stated after their names:—

Constable JOHN KENNEDY, Wairoa, vice W. Coughlan, transferred.

Constable RICHARD THOMAS HODGSON, Shortland, vice R. Stapleton, transferred.

T. THOMPSON.

*Member of Waimakariri Harbour Board appointed.*

Marine Department,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has, in pursuance of the provisions of section 40 of "The Harbours Act, 1878," appointed

CHARLES ORAM

to be a member of the Waimakariri Harbour Board, in the place of John McLachlan, resigned.

WM. HALL-JONES.

*Receiver of Land Revenue, Wellington, appointed.*

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS GEORGE WAITT

to be the Receiver of Land Revenue for the Wellington Land District. The appointment takes effect from the 25th April, 1898.

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

*Inspector of Stock, &c., appointed.—Notice No. 512.*

Department of Agriculture  
(Live-stock Branch),  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint (temporarily)

FRANCIS HENRY BRITTAIN

to be an Inspector of Stock in terms of "The Stock Act, 1893," an Agent to appear and act for Her Majesty in all suits in the Magistrate's Court brought for the recovery of rates, or sums of money in the nature thereof, payable to Her Majesty under "The Stock Act, 1893," and an Inspector under and for the purposes of "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1882," and its amendments. To date from the 1st day of April, 1898.

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
Minister for Agriculture.

*Volunteer Officer appointed.*

Defence Office,  
Wellington, 4th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to approve of the under-mentioned appointment:—

Auckland Naval Artillery Volunteers.

The Reverend Robert Ferguson to be Honorary Chaplain. Date of commission, 9th March, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

*Commanding Officer appointed.*

Defence Office,  
Wellington, 5th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to approve of the appointment of

Major JOSEPH HENRY BANKS,

late H.M. 7th Dragoon Guards (Lieut.-Colonel N.Z. Militia), to the command of the Auckland Militia and Volunteer District. Appointment to date from the 1st May, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

*Commanding Officers appointed.*

Defence Office,  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the under-mentioned officer to the command of the newly formed military district:—

Otago Military District (including the Sub-districts of North Otago and Southland).

Lieut.-Colonel William Holden Webb, N.Z.M. Commission to date from the 10th May, 1898.

And has also been pleased to approve of the appointment of

Major ALFRED HEADLAND, N.Z. Volunteers,

as Officer commanding the Sub-district of North Otago; and Captain JOHN EDWARD HAWKINS, Southland Mounted Rifle Volunteers,

as Officer commanding the Sub-district of North Otago.

Commissions to date from the 10th May, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

*Volunteer Corps accepted.*

Defence Office,  
Wellington, 4th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to accept, under section 39 (1), "The Defence Act, 1886," the services of the under-mentioned Rifle Volunteer corps, and in the order of seniority named:—

No. 3 Company, New Zealand Native Rifle Volunteers (Auckland).

No. 2 Company, Victoria Rifle Volunteers (Auckland).

Acceptance to date from the 28th April, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

*Volunteer Corps disbanded, and Transfer of Officers to Reserve Corps.*

Defence Office,  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to approve of the disbandment of the

Wanganui Naval Artillery Volunteers,

as from the 1st March, 1898; and also to approve of the transfer, from the 1st March, 1898, of

Captain WILLIAM HENRY CLAPHAM and  
Lieutenant MARCUS ALLAN NEILL

from the above corps to the Wellington District Reserve Corps, under paragraphs 94 and 97, Volunteer Regulations, 1895; and, further, that the commission held by the under-mentioned gentleman in the first-mentioned corps will therefore lapse under paragraph 62, Volunteer Regulations, 1895:—

GEORGE RICHARD SAUNDERS, late Surgeon-Captain.

T. THOMPSON.

*Justice of the Peace resigned.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 5th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to accept the resignation by

ROBERT WILLIAM IND CARVER, Esq.,

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

T. THOMPSON.

Trustee of Ratanui Cemetery resigned.

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 5th May, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to accept the resignation of

GEORGE WARD DRAPER

as a Trustee of the Ratanui Cemetery.

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

Notice to Local Authorities under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886."

The Treasury,  
Wellington, 12th April, 1898.

PURSUANT to section 16 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," the Colonial Treasurer hereby gives notice that on Wednesday, the 1st June, 1898, he will be prepared to consider applications from local authorities for loans under the Act.

Applications should be addressed to the Colonial Treasurer, and must be posted so as to arrive at the Treasury on or before the 31st May, 1898.

R. J. SEDDON,  
Colonial Treasurer.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 11th May, 1898.

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

J. CARROLL.

TARATAHI-CARTERTON ROAD BOARD.—RESULT OF POLL FOR LOAN.

I HEREBY give public notice that the poll for No. 8 Subdivision of the Taratahi-Carterton Road District, taken on the 3rd day of May, 1898, on the proposal to raise a loan of £700 under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and their respective amendments, for the purpose of constructing a bridge across the Taueru River, resulted as follows:—

Total number of voters on the roll, 80; total number of votes exercisable by them, 163: Number of voters who voted for the proposal, 43; number of votes recorded for the proposal, 91; number of voters who voted against the proposal, 1; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 4.

I accordingly declare the above-mentioned proposal duly carried.

Dated at Carterton, this 6th day of May, 1898.

HENRY R. BUNNY,  
Chairman, T.-C. H'y Board.

By-laws regulating Traffic on the Taumarunui-Ohakune Road, Stratford-Ongarue Road, Te Kuiti-Awakino Road, Alexandra-Kawhia Road, Kawhia-Aotea Road.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 130 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and section 2, subsection (1), (a), of "The Public Works and Government Railways Acts Amendment Act, 1895," I, John McKenzie, Minister of Lands, do, in respect of the Government road from Taumarunui to Ohakune (from Porotaroa Tunnel to Taumarunui), the Government road from Stratford to Ongarue (from Te Kawakawa to Mangarua), the Government road from Te Kuiti to Awakino (from Mokau Heads to Mahoenui), the Government road from Alexandra to Kawhia (from the Waipa Bridge, at Whatiwhatihoe, to Powewe, at Kawhia), and the Government road from Kawhia to Aotea (from Powewe, at Kawhia, to Matahahaea, at the boundary of the Kawhia and Raglan Counties)—as the said roads are delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 36750, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and therein coloured red—hereby classify the vehicles mentioned below, and do hereby make the following by-laws in respect of the same, that is to say:—

OR BUGGY AND COACH TRAFFIC, CARRYING PERSONS OR PASSENGERS ONLY.

If the Carrying-capacity of the Buggy do not exceed the under-mentioned Number of Persons, exclusive of the Driver—	Then the Minimum Width of Tire of any such Buggy shall be		If the Carrying-capacity of the Coach do not exceed the under-mentioned Number of Persons, exclusive of the Driver—	Then the Minimum Width of Tire of any such Coach shall be
	For Single-seated Four-wheeled Buggy.	For Double-seated Four-wheeled Buggy.		
1	1 inch ..	1 1/4 inches ..	5	1 1/4 inches.
3	1 1/4 inches ..	1 1/2 " ..	8	1 3/4 " ..
5	..	1 3/4 " ..	12	2 " ..

The "carrying-capacity" of each such vehicle as aforesaid is to be ascertained by allowing to each passenger, when seated, 1 ft. 4 in. superficial (measured lengthways) and the full width of the seating-accommodation actually and usually provided in or on such vehicle.

The foregoing by-law does not apply to buggies and coaches carrying goods and passengers, or goods other than passengers' luggage; and buggies and coaches not included herein are subject to By-law No. 3 hereunder.

2. The haulage or transportation on the said roads of any engine or machine coming under the definition of "heavy traffic" within the meaning of clause (a) of subsection (1) of section 130 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," during the months of May, June, July, August, and September in any year, shall cease.

3. The width of tires of all vehicles, other than as classified above, upon the said roads, whether plying for hire or not, shall bear the following proportion to the number of animals employed to draw the same, that is to say,—

If the Number of Animals used to draw a Vehicle having Two Wheels do not exceed	Then the Minimum Width of Tire of any such Vehicle shall be—		If the Number of Animals used to draw a Vehicle having Four Wheels do not exceed	Then the Minimum Width of Tire of any such Vehicle shall be—	
	If without Springs	If with Springs		If without Springs	If with Springs
1	2 1/2 inches	1 1/2 inches	2	2 1/2 inches	1 1/2 inches.
2	3 "	2 "	3	3 "	2 "
3	4 "	2 1/2 "	5	4 "	2 1/2 "
4	5 "	3 "	7	5 "	3 "
6	6 "	3 1/2 "	10	6 "	3 1/2 "

4. If any person shall commit a breach of any of the foregoing by-laws, he shall be liable, upon conviction for such breach, to a penalty of £5: Provided that the Court before which proceedings may be taken in respect of such breach may, if it think fit, impose such lower penalty as it may think adequate to the particular case.

As witness my hand, this fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

Certificate and Declaration of Execution of Criminal.

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 20th April, 1898.

THE following certificate and declaration are published in conformity with the provisions of "The Criminals Executions Act, 1883."

T. THOMPSON.

CERTIFICATE.

I, PATRICK JOSEPH O'CARROLL, the Medical Officer in attendance at the execution of Enoka at the prison of New Plymouth, do hereby certify and declare that I have this day witnessed the execution of the said Enoka at the said prison, and I do further certify and declare that the said Enoka was, in pursuance of the sentence of the Supreme Court, hanged by the neck until his body was dead.

Given under my hand, this second day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, at the prison of New Plymouth.

P. J. O'CARROLL.

DECLARATION.

We do hereby testify and declare that we have this day been present when the extreme penalty of the law was carried into execution on the body of Enoka, convicted at the Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court held at New Plymouth on the twenty-third day of March last, and sentenced

to death, and that the said Enoka was, in pursuance of the said sentence, hanged by the neck until his body was dead.

Dated this second day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, at the prison of New Plymouth.

A. H. HOLMES,  
Sheriff.  
B. L. O'BRIEN,  
Gaoler.  
H. HAWKINS,  
Principal Warder.  
R. PARRIS,  
Visiting Justice.  
F. G. EVANS,  
Vicar of St. Mary's.  
JOSEPH J. FREETH, J.P.,  
Interpreter.  
ERNEST A. WALKER,  
Medical Practitioner.  
J. GUERIN.  
J. PARKER.

*Notice to Mariners, No. 18 of 1898.*

Marine Department,  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Master Attendant, Galle, Ceylon, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

*CEYLON, SOUTH COAST.*

NOTICE is hereby given that the bell-buoy marking the Cadda Rocks, at the eastern entrance to Galle Harbour, will on the 15th April next be shifted due south of its present position as charted, a distance of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cables, and moored in  $12\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms, distant 233 fathoms by measurement from the Outer Cadda Rock in a south-half-east direction. Commanders of steamers approaching the port are requested to note this, and keep a position clear of the buoy until the pilot shows his flag (white, red, and white, horizontal), when it is safe to steer for the pilot's canoe. If under sail, the canoe is distinguishable by the letter P on it, with the pilot flag displayed above. Should the buoy be out of position, the usual signals from the flagstaff will be hoisted to that effect.

J. TRUSCOTT,  
Master Attendant's Office,  
Galle, 12th February, 1898. Master Attendant.

*Arrest of British Seamen Deserters in Japan.*

Marine Department,  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

THE following circular despatch, received from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

(Circular.) Downing Street, 1st March, 1898.

SIR,—I have the honour to transmit to you, for publication in the colony under your government, copies of an Order of the Queen in Council applying section 238 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," respecting the arrest of seamen deserters in the case of Japan.

I have, &c.,  
J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer administering the Government  
of New Zealand.

At the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 3rd day  
of February, 1898.

Present:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by subsection (1) of section 238 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," it is provided that, where it appears to Her Majesty that due facilities are, or will be, given by the Government of any foreign country for recovering and apprehending seamen who desert from British merchant-ships in that country, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, stating that such facilities are or will be given, declare that that section shall apply in the case of such foreign country, subject to any limitations, conditions, and qualifications contained in the Order:

And whereas it appears to Her Majesty that due facilities are given by the Government of Japan for recovering and apprehending seamen who desert from British merchant-ships in that country:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in her by the hereinbefore-recited subsection (1) of section 238 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," and by and with the advice of her Privy Council, is pleased to order and declare, and it is hereby ordered and declared, that the said section 238 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," shall apply in the case of Japan.

And whereas the immediate operation of this Order is urgent, this Order shall come into operation forthwith, and shall be a *provisional* Order within the meaning of "The Rules Publication Act, 1893."

And the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and the Secretary of State for India in Council, are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. L. FREL.

*Approving and appointing a Bonding Warehouse.*

CUSTOMS.—In exercise of the powers in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," I, the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, do hereby approve and appoint the under-mentioned warehouse to be a warehouse for the reception of goods under bond, namely,—

*Port of Invercargill.*

The cellar of a brick building roofed with iron, and situated on Section 7, Block 1, Leven Street, Town of Invercargill, to be known as

MITCHELL'S BOND.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Commissioner of Trade and Customs.  
Commissioner's Order No. 592.]

*Tenders.*

Public Works Office,  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

THE following list of successful and unsuccessful tenders for the Palmerston North Courthouse contract is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Minister for Public Works.

	Accepted.	£	s.	d.
Adams and Elwood, Feilding	..	2,235	0	0
<i>Declined.</i>				
Zajonskowski Bros., Marton	..	3,180	9	6
Fake, I. J., Palmerston North	..	3,450	0	0

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 2 roods, or thereabouts, statute measure, being part of the section numbered 2355 in the Mandeville District, of the Provincial District of Canterbury. Commencing at a point on the south-eastern boundary of the section 5 chains 50 links or thereabouts from the south-western corner thereof, and extending thence north-easterly along the said boundary a distance of 5 chains, and extending backward therefrom north-westerly in a rectangular block 3 chains. The registered owner is Charles Miles Davies, of Glamorgan, gentleman. There is a rumour this land was transferred to William Vaughan, of Sefton, merchant, but no conveyance is registered. Mr. Miles Leonard Davis, of 31, Lancaster Gate, London, W., claims the land, stating that Charles Miles Davis was his father, and died in 1865; but he takes no steps to establish his alleged title although fully written to thereon eleven months since, the receipt of which letter he has acknowledged.

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

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

Dated this 9th day of May, 1898.

JAMES C. MARTIN,  
Public Trustee.



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.

Government Observatory.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations, Wellington, for the month of April, 1898. Altitude above the sea, 140ft. Observations taken at 9.30 a.m.

Date.	Barometer reduced and corrected, in inches.	From Self-registering Instruments, for Twenty-four Hours previously.						Solar Radiation.	Terrestrial Radiation.	Rainfall, in inches.	Veloc. Wind, in Miles.	Amount of Cloud, 0 to 10.	Direction of Wind.
		Max. Temp. in Shade.	Min. Temp. in Shade.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Solar Radiation.	Terrestrial Radiation.	Rainfall, in inches.						
1	30-163	63-7	54-0	58-8	112	41	..	390	4	N.W.			
2	30-401	65-0	46-0	55-5	114	35	..	150	3	E.			
3	30-300	71-0	54-0	62-5	124	39	..	50	5	N.W.			
4	30-035	69-0	60-0	64-5	98	50	0-80	370	6	N.W.			
5	29-908	66-5	60-0	63-2	90	51	1-820	720	7	N.W.			
6	30-063	62-3	57-0	59-6	75	47	3-10	580	6	N.W.			
7	30-246	64-5	57-0	60-7	110	44	..	400	3	N.W.			
8	30-300	70-0	57-0	63-5	116	43	..	280	3	N.W.			
9	29-950	64-0	58-5	61-2	112	50	..	580	5	N.W.			
10	30-050	65-0	53-0	59-0	115	36	..	370	3	N.W.			
11	30-168	63-8	48-0	55-9	112	35	..	230	4	N.E.			
12	30-204	68-5	51-0	59-7	118	35	..	60	4	N.W.			
13	30-309	65-0	47-5	56-2	112	34	..	140	2	N.			
14	30-270	67-0	53-0	60-0	114	35	..	110	6	S.			
15	30-009	62-5	48-0	55-2	90	33	0-10	100	5	N.W.			
16	29-662	60-0	51-0	55-5	89	34	..	230	4	N.W.			
17	29-800	64-0	53-5	58-7	85	45	3-60	170	7	W.			
18	30-082	57-0	47-5	52-2	66	38	1-630	190	8	S.			
19	30-229	53-0	46-0	49-5	66	35	0-25	160	5	E.			
20	30-087	60-0	41-0	50-5	95	30	..	60	5	N.W.			
21	29-769	53-5	52-0	55-2	87	40	2-80	360	6	N.W.			
22	29-603	62-5	45-0	53-7	90	37	0-90	270	5	N.W.			
23	29-750	59-5	48-0	53-7	89	33	0-40	260	6	S.			
24	30-150	57-5	41-0	49-2	95	30	0-40	110	5	E.			
25	30-225	60-0	47-0	53-5	87	34	..	130	6	S.E.			
26	30-323	58-0	46-0	52-0	83	33	..	130	3	Calm			
27	30-268	66-5	48-0	57-2	97	34	..	60	3	N.E.			
28	30-113	64-8	56-3	60-5	100	44	..	300	4	N.W.			
29	30-187	64-0	57-0	60-5	94	45	1-00	210	4	N.W.			
30	30-213	66-0	53-0	59-5	103	37	..	120	5	N.W.			
*	30-094	63-3	51-2	57-2	97-9	38-5	5-625	243	4-7	..			
†	30-053	..	..	57-0	..	..	3-525	..	..	..			

\* Means, &c. † Same month previous years.

NOTE.—Early part of month stormy from N.W., and heavy rain on 4th and 5th; 1-82 in. recorded on 5th, the maximum fall; then followed some fine weather until middle of month, when rain came on, and continued showery until the 24th; 1-63 in. rain recorded on 18th from south; fine last part; generally cool nights; thunderstorm on 21st, and fog on 17th. Maximum temperature in shade 71°, minimum 41°; mean temperature of dew-point, 49°-9; mean humidity, 76.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

Officiating Ministers for 1898.—Notice No. 15.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 5th May, 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 names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Roman Catholic Church.

The Reverend Phillip Bogue.  
The Reverend Patrick Cooney.

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.  
The Reverend Edwin Eldridge.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,  
Registrar-General.

Crown Lands Notices.

Leases of Land in the Nelson Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 7th May, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the leases of the under-mentioned Crown lands have been forfeited by a resolution of the Nelson Land Board on the 7th April, 1898.

HANMER PLAINS RESERVE.

Section No. 28: Held by G. A. Watt.  
Section No. 32: Held by W. Walker.  
Section No. 33: Held by O. Anderson.  
Section No. 35: Held by J. English.  
Section No. 36: Held by J. Gill.

JOHN McKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

Lands in Canterbury Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 11th May, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

Section.	Block.	District.	Held by	Tenure.
36573	IV., V.	Waitohi	Austin J. Hoban	Farm home- stead, lease in perpetuity.
36576	V.	"	Andrew Hamilton	
36577	V. III.	Waipara	Edmund J. Dooley	

JOHN McKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

Land in Town of Palmerston North for Sale by Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

THE under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash, at the Theatre Royal, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, the 22nd June, 1898, at 2 o'clock p.m.:—

Section 822, Palmerston North: Area, 1 acre 1 rood; upset price, £150.

Section 1086, Palmerston North: Area, 1 acre 2 roods 6 perches; upset price, £75.

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

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

There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on purchasers of these sections other than above mentioned.

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

Lands in the Township of Tokaanu for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 11th May, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned lands in the Township of Tokaanu will be offered under the provisions of "The Native Townships Act, 1895," and the Land Acts, for lease by public auction for a term of twenty-one years, with right of renewal for a further term of twenty-one years, at the Puhao-rangi House, Tokaanu, on Friday, 17th June, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

TOKAANU TOWNSHIP.

Table with 8 columns: Section, Block, Area (A, R, P), Upset Annual Rent (£ s. d.), Section, Block, Area (A, R, P), Upset Annual Rent (£ s. d.). It lists various land parcels with their respective areas and rental values, organized into sections I through VIII.

\* Weighted for improvements, £2).
† " " £104.
‡ " " £120.

§ Weighted for improvements, £1,750 (for lease to the 30th June, 1911).
|| Weighted for improvements, £5.

Maps and full particulars may be obtained at the Land Offices in the colony.

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

Lands forfeited, Wellington Land District.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 6th May, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands have been forfeited by resolutions of the Wellington Land Board.

SCHEDULE.

System.	Lease No.	Lessee.	Section.	Block.	District.
L.P.	215	J. L. Robinson	7	V.	Karioi.
O.R.P.	54	E. Mawby	6	IX.	Makotuku.
F.H.	399	G. C. Burrell	28	V.	Mount Cerberus.
	394	J. C. Merryweather	23	"	"
O.R.P.	199	F. O'Leary	4	"	Hautapu.
F.H.	1133	L. P. Westh	23	II.	Mount Cerberus.
L.P.	181	J. Fortune, sen.	32	XIII.	Pukeokahu.
	182	J. Fortune, jun.	33	"	"
O.R.P.	172	Robert Brown	3	IV.	Umutoi.
L.P.	198	Reuben Dyer	11	V.	Mount Cerberus.
F.H.	384		12	"	"
V.H.L.P.	567	John L. Laing	12	"	Pakihikura Village Settlement.
F.H.	816	James Pirie	20	IV.	Puketoi.
"	1059	S. Donaldson	15	XI.	Manganui.
"	209	N. Ross	22	VIII.	Makotuku.
"	495	H. Futcher	6	VII.	Mount Cerberus.
O.R.P.	334	W. C. Norman	7	VIII.	Tiriraukawa.
L.P.	246	G. L. Hooper	4	I.	Umutoi.
V.H.L.P.	310	J. O'Keeffe	1A	"	Paa Creek Village Settlement.
"	575	S. Perkins	7	"	Karewarewa Village Settlement.
L.P.	331	J. M. Fahey	8	III.	Tiriraukawa.
V.H.L.P.	556	David Parker	11	"	Pakihikura Village Settlement.
O.R.P.	218	D. Fajoung	21	XIII.	Mangahao.
F.H.	879	S. Steggall	2	VI.	Aohanga.
"	885	Edward Hunt	9	"	"
"	889	G. S. O'Brien	14	"	"
"	395	J. Woodville	24	V.	Mount Cerberus.
V.H.L.P.	568	Henry Schmitt	1	"	Karewarewa Village Settlement.
F.H.	978	Neil McKinnon	3	I.	Tiriraukawa.
"	1089	A. Connor	19	XV.	Manganui.
"	77	H. Matthews	1	"	"
"	81	A. Matthews	5	"	"
V.H.L.P.	274	William Mousley	19	"	Tutaekara Village Settlement.
Past. Lic.	1	J. Alexander and D. Peat	Run 1	V. and X.	Wairoa.
V.H.L.P.	271	H. Somerville	9 and 10	"	Tutaekara Village Settlement.
L.P.	120	H. Charley	8	V.	Hautapu.
F.H.	1100	J. E. Hall	2	VII.	Gorge.
O.R.P.	274	H. Loveday	1	VIII.	Tiriraukawa.
"	275	John McGann	24	V.	Aohanga.
L.P.	132	A. J. Gardner	2	XVI.	Apiti.
V.H.S.S.	237	D. Banks	47	"	Levin Village Settlement.
F.H.	801	S. Hayward (deceased)	46	IV.	Umutoi.
V.H.L.P.	561	T. W. Little	15	"	Karewarewa Village Settlement.
F.H.	793	R. Brown	6	IV.	Umutoi.
"	1148	S. Kibblewhite and O. H. Markland	4	XII.	Manganui.
O.R.P.	318	Thomas Snelling	26	XIII.	Pukeokahu.
"	185	T. Wright	16	VIII.	Tiriraukawa.
"	144	E. Wenham	4	V.	Mangahao.
L.P.	304	W. E. Sampson	25	XV.	Makuri.
V.H.L.P.	396	H. W. Knight	16	"	Pongaroa Village Settlement.

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
Minister of Lands.

Rural Land in the Hawke's Bay District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, 4th May, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 22nd June, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY 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.
Waipawa	Norsewood	9	VIII.	200 0 0	17 3	£ 172 10 0	s. d. 0 10 3	£ s. d. 4 6 3	s. d. 0 8 2	£ s. d. 3 9 0

With the exception of 15 acres felled and burnt in 1894, the section is entirely covered with forest, consisting of rata, hinau, and silver-birch; hilly and broken country, adapted for pastoral purposes; light stony soil, poor on tops of spurs; well watered. Distant about eight miles and a half from the Mangatera Railway-station.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands,

*Land in Cheviot Estate open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Christchurch, 10th May, 1898.

THE under-mentioned section will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Wednesday, 29th June, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—CHEVIOT COUNTY.—CHEVIOT SURVEY DISTRICT.  
*Surveyed First-class Land.*

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Half-yearly Rent.		
			£	s.	d.
15, 42	XI.	A. R. P. 155 0 0	8	16	6

This section is situated at Gore Bay, Cheviot, between 10 ft. and 500 ft. above sea-level, and comprises about 2 acres of flat land, good soil, 10 acres of hill-face well grassed, 83 acres of hill top and sides carrying tussock and fern, and 60 acres of scrub and waste land. The section includes two bush gullies, the bush consisting principally of ngaio, with a few other varieties of native shrubs, and ferns. There is permanent water on the land.

The improvements consist of six-roomed wooden house, iron roof, brick chimney, plastered walls, with outhouse attached, paddock, and small garden. The buildings are valued at £100. The lessee shall keep the buildings insured in the name of the Queen for the full insurable value thereof, in an office to be approved by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Village-homestead Allotments in Otago open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.*

Crown Lands Office,  
Dunedin, 13th April, 1898.

THE under-mentioned village-homestead allotments will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Wednesday, 1st June, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD ALLOTMENTS.  
*First-class Land.*

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

MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Naseby	..	16	XI.	24	1	27	0	9	6	0	9	7

Good land, all ploughable. Situated about seven miles from Hyde. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £4 5s.

TAIERI COUNTY.

				A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Strath Taieri	57	V.	18	0	18	2	5	88	1	2	5
"	58	"	21	1	27	1	8	2	0	17	9
"	59	"	23	1	35	2	1	24	1	4	3
"	62	"	21	1	23	1	7	2	0	16	10

Open undulating land, ploughable. Situated on the Middlemarch-Hyde Road, about five miles from the former locality. The Taieri River lies about half a mile distant, and the Otago Central Railway skirts the sections on the west. These sections form part of an Otago High School endowment. Valuations for fencing, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared: Section 57, £6 3s. 6d.; Section 58, £5 18s.; Section 59, £9 4s.; Section 62, £7 13s. 6d.

J. P. MAITLAND,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Crown Lands in Otago for Lease.*

Crown Lands Office,  
Dunedin, 13th April, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened for application upon lease in perpetuity at this office on Wednesday, the 1st June, 1898, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—COUNTY OF WAITAKI.  
*First-class Land.*

Survey District.	Allotment.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

ARDGOWAN ESTATE.

		A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Oamaru	..	125	16	1	15	14	0	5	14	5

Level and gently sloping agricultural land; good strong soil. Situated two miles and a half from Oamaru Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £49 13s. 6d.

TEANERAKI SETTLEMENT.

			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Oamaru and	1	5	0	0	19	2	2	8	1	
Awamoko										

First-class agricultural land. Situated one mile and a half from Enfield Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £2.

J. P. MAITLAND,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Pastoral Runs in Southland for Lease by Public Auction.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Invercargill, 4th May, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction on Thursday, the 23rd day of June, 1898, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

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

Run No.	District.	Area.	Upset Rental per Annum.	Term.
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SOUTHLAND COUNTY.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	
525	Hokonui	8,153	2	15	51	0	0	14 years.

FIORD COUNTY.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	
526	..	75,670	0	0	2	10	0	21 years.

Run 525, situated in Hokonui Survey District, Southland County: Hilly pastoral country; well watered; vegetation, silver-tussock and native grasses; height above sea-level, from 800 ft. to 2,200 ft. Distance from Benmore Railway-station, six miles.

Run 526, situated in Fiord County, between Big River and Preservation Inlet: High broken country, partly bush; well watered; vegetation, native grasses on hill-tops, lower portion bush; height above sea-level, from 500 ft. to 4,000 ft. Distance from Cromarty, Preservation Inlet, one mile.

Possession will be given on the day of sale. Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration, as required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

D. BARRON,  
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 Waipara	IV., V. 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 ls. 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 above 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 to be 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.

*Pastoral Runs, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Blenheim, 19th April, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands will be offered by auction, at the Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Wednesday, the 1st day of June, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

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

Arapawa Survey District: Run No. 66: 1,100 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rent, £4.

Arapawa Survey District: Run No. 106: 200 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rent, £2.

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

C. W. ADAMS,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Small Grazing-run, Taranaki, for Lease upon Application.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
New Plymouth, 19th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease upon application at this office on Wednesday, 8th June, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—CLIFTON COUNTY.—UPPER WAITARA SURVEY DISTRICT.

*Second-class Land.*

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
1 5 3	X. XIII. XIV.	A. R. P. ,220 0 0	s. d. 0 4.2	£ s. d. 37 0 6

All forest, principally tawa, towai, rata, matai; a little totara on ridges, and manuka in gullies. Rough pastoral country, with broken spurs, landslips, and papa gutters; well watered. Access by the Ngatoto Road and Waitara River. Distance from Purangi, about two miles and a half.

JOHN STRAUCHON,  
Commissioner of Crown 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, 2½ per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
8 10	XII. "	A. R. P. 1,460 0 0 1,203 0 0	s. d. 0 3.75 0 3.75	£ s. d. 11 8 4 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 Urenui 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.

Section.	Block.	Area.		Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
		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.	
		A.	R. P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
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.	
		A.	R. P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
725	..	24	0 20	1	2 4	0	14 9

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.	
		A.	R. P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
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.	
		A.	R. P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
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 Southland open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Invercargill, 16th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened for selection on lease in perpetuity on and after Friday, 20th May, 1898:—

OTAHU SETTLEMENT.—WAIAU SURVEY DISTRICT.

*First-class Land.*

Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
		Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
4	A. R. P. 640 0 0	s. d. 2 4	£ s. d. 11 14 0*
			37 6 8

\* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £300, repayable by half-yearly instalments of £11 14s.

D. BARRON,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Pastoral Runs, Westland, for Lease by Public Auction.*

Crown Lands Office,  
Hokitika, 19th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the licenses of the pastoral runs set out below will be offered by public auction, at the Lands Office, Hokitika, on Wednesday, the 15th day of June next, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the prices and for the terms given, and subject to any rights of renewal or resumption as may be prescribed by the Land Acts or other constituted authority, and subject to the necessary declarations being taken. Maps may be seen at the Lands Office, Hokitika, where other full particulars as to conditions of sale and license, &c., may be ascertained.

Payments to be made on the fall of the hammer, and consist, with regard to the said licenses, of six months' rent in advance and license-fee of £1 1s.

No. of Run.	Area.	Locality.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
23	Acres. 23,000	Landsborough River	£ s. 11 10	Ten years from 1st Mar., 1899.
32	7,000	Wainihinihi River	7 0	Ditto.
34	5,500	Kawhaka River ..	5 10	"
47	15,000	Okuru River ..	15 0	"
49	12,000	Kakapotahi River	6 0	"
55	17,000	Poerua River ..	17 0	"
59	10,000	Cascade Plateau ..	5 0	"
69	10,000	Cascade River ..	10 0	"
87	7,000	Upper Haast River	7 0	"
93	10,000	Mount Meta Range	10 0	"
97	5,000	Fox Range ..	5 0	"
103	5,000	Lake Kanieri ..	5 0	"
105	5,000	Upper Taipo River	5 0	"

*Description.*—Run No. 23, 23,000 acres, Clark and Haast Valleys: Principally cattle-feed in bush on hillsides and flats; lower open country. Access by Haast Pass Track and Clark River bed.

Run No. 32, 7,000 acres, Wainihinihi Valley: Rough hillsides and terrace-slopes; all forest country. Easy access by open river-beds from Hokitika—Christchurch Road.

Run No. 34, 5,500 acres: Comprises upper valley of Kawhaka River; densely timbered country. Average altitude, 1,000 ft. Access from main road *via* track to Government Reservoir and river-bed.

Run No. 47, 15,000 acres, Upper Okuru Valley: Comprises river-flats, marginal terraces, and hillsides; altogether cattle country, with mixed forest. Access by Okuru River bed.

Run No. 49, 12,000 acres, in Happy Valley, Kakapotahi River: Mainly suited for cattle; open flats will graze a few horses; the balance heavily bushed. Access by Rangitoto Road and rough bush-track.

Run No. 55, 17,000 acres, Lower Poerua Valley: Bulk of run is thickly timbered, and only fitted for cattle; balance consists of river-flats and islands, partly open, suitable for horses and sheep. Access by Main South Road, which bounds the block.

Run No. 59, 10,000 acres, Cascade Plateau, South Westland: High terraced country, partly open, with stunted scrub, low fern, and poor tussock; will keep store sheep. Access from main road *via* Cascade River bed and Laschellis Creek, or by old pack-track from Jackson Bay.

Run No. 69, 10,000 acres, Cascade River: Chiefly cattle-feed on slopes of bush-clad hills. Access by Barn Bay Track from main road.

Run No. 87, 7,000 acres: Comprises rough bush-clad mountain-sides and small flats in Upper Haast Valley; only suitable for feeding cattle. Access by Haast Pass Road.

Run No. 93, 10,000 acres: Summer sheep country, on summits and upper spurs of Mount Meta Range; scanty tussock. Average altitude, 3,800 ft. Access from Mathias River in Canterbury, and from Whitcombe Pass Track in Westland.

Run No. 97, 5,000 acres: Good tussock country; tops and upper slopes of the Fox Range; altogether sheep pastures. Average altitude equals 3,700 ft. Access from Cook and Fox River beds.

Run No. 103, 5,000 acres: Low heavily timbered hills between Lake Kanieri and Kokatahi Settlement; wholly cattle country. Access from Kokatahi Road.

Run No. 105, 5,000 acres, Upper Taipo Valley: Bush-clad hillsides, with small patches of open flats and islands. Access by Taipo Track and river-bed.

W. G. MURRAY,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.*

Lands and Survey Office,  
Auckland, 13th April, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned kauri timber, standing upon western portion of Section 46 and Section 47, Parish of Ruakaka, Whangarei County, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 3rd day of June, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m. :-

249 kauri-trees, containing about 389,683 superficial feet; upset price, £194 16s. 6d. Timber is about six miles from Mangapai.

*Conditions of Sale.*—One-half the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance within six months thereafter.

Timber to be removed within two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,  
Commissioner of Crown 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.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF-MUTES, SUMNER, NEAR CHRISTCHURCH.

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Director: Mr. G. VAN ASCH.

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For further information apply to  
THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION,  
Wellington.

**Native Land Court Notices.**

*"The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893."*

[Auckland, Val. 98-1.]

NOTICE is hereby given that the application of Edward Fawcener Tizard, under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," with respect to the lands known as Te Mimiakaiuru No. 3c, Whitimarumaru No. 3, and Kaiatenganga No. 3, will be heard at Shortland, Thames, on the 2nd day of June, 1898.

Dated this 6th day of May, 1898.

Validation Court Office, Auckland.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

*"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."*

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 2nd May, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Te Awanui on the 13th day of June, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Gisborne, 98-20.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

ADJOURNED CASES.

APPLICATIONS FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
778	Ripeka Tauhore .. .. .	Himiona Haeata.
779	Hoani Tauhore and others .. .. .	Ruta Porourangi.

*"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."*

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Hastings on the 16th day of May, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 98-29.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (3) OF SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR EXCHANGE OF LANDS.

No.	Names of Applicants.	Names of Lands to be exchanged.
547	{ Airini Tonore and .. .. . Iraia Karauria .. .. .	Riverslea, Lot 8, Section 16, Block XII., and Mangaohane C and Mangaohane No. 10.

## "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 10th May, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Native Appellate Court will sit at Greytown, on the 8th day of June, 1898, to hear and determine the appeals against the decisions of the Native Land Court set forth in the Schedule hereto. All persons interested are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

[Wellington, 98-30.]

## SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Appellant.	Name of Land.	Decision in respect of which Appeal is made.
1	Takana Kingi and others ..	Pukengaki .. ..	Decision, dated 28th May, 1896, upon partition.
2	Hoani Rangitakawaihoro and others	Pukengaki .. ..	Decision, dated 28th May, 1896, upon partition.
3	H. T. Whatahoro and others ..	Pukengaki .. ..	Decision, dated 28th May, 1896, upon partition.
4	Rora Hori Taha and others ..	Pukengaki .. ..	Decision, dated 28th May, 1896, upon partition.

## "THE WEST COAST SETTLEMENT RESERVES ACT, 1892."

NOTICE to NATIVE OWNERS and LESSEES of a MEETING to be held at the Reserves Agent's Office, Post-office Buildings, HAWERA, at 10 o'clock a.m. on THURSDAY, the 26th MAY, 1898, to fix the RENT for NEW LEASES to FREDERICK VILLEBOIS LYSAGHT and MARY EMILY DYKE LYSAGHT of Parts of the WHAREROA NATIVE RESERVE, known as "Hapua" and "Ohangai," and part of section numbered 588 on the public map of the Patea District, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, containing 50 acres, 110 acres 3 roods, and 640 acres respectively (more or less), being Land comprised in Confirmed Leases registered Nos. 53 and 31.

TO Natanahira Ngahina, Mere Ngapuku, Raewangapaku, Tohetana, Rahua, Teremona, Mowaho, Ngahina Tokau, Tukino, Te Hokio, Kawarau, Bongohurumanu, Te Patukohu, Te Baroa, Te Ararua, Te Whetu, Te Matewai, Haupuhoro, Te Ari, Te Hikaka Takirau, Kuini Rangipupu, Haupiroa, Rihana Riakiao, Moerewawa, Te Awarua, Kakau, Noti (trustee, Kakau), Ngahina, Rangiwahia Wi Poki, Te Waru Taumau (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Haweturi, Parata, Te Waewae, Makere Pokau, Te Hikaka, Rehua, Kokiri Pouri, Te Kokiri, Te Awe, Tuki, Wherorangi, Taumihiroa, Patutu, Mouhatore (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Ngahina Tana, Taringa (trustee, Rangipikitea), Maihi, Patukohu, Te Pehipehi, Okerua, Moaho, Tikapa, Roti Moerangi, Tupua Moeawa, Tukurangatui, Taniwha, Tumabuki, and Te Ongi (trustee, Ngahina Tana), Ngaparititi, Iwiahia, Wharemate, Tiria, Te Hanatito, Te Waru, Te Awarua, Tamaka, Tuanini, Tihirua, Rangiumu, Maraera Haweturi, Pokere, and Taihuria (trustee, Haweturi), Ani Wera (trustee, Te Rapia Rangiaukori), Te Awarua Pikau, Te Ngaururu, Rongo te Rawhiti (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Te Rangitutaki, Puaitha, Rangimaekae, Pare te Wehenga, Potuituwai, Te Kapa Tamahungia, Te Ringa Tamaohungia, Ngatau, Te Onetu, Rangitaniwha, Tekenui, Ngatohu, Te Putaka, Mihi Taitua, Te Rawaho, Ketu, Nehora, Te Kaewa, Whai Pakanga (trustee, Te Kaewa), Kura Taumahi, and Huatahi (trustee, Te Kaewa), Te Waka (Raupo), Taiteariki, Moutuputu, Marokopa, Kerei, Te Karoro, Oiwahere, Hineara (trustee, Oiwahere), Te Piki, Taringa, Te Kapa, Waipakanga, Tame, Te Rina, Huirangi, Kimirongo, Tutanga, Maruera, Kaewa, Rakura, Pehipehi, Tarewananga, Matao, Hawetukia, Tairoroma, Tamatautahi, Te Mawhiti, Te Purei Ngurangi, Whanaupunga, Tupitea, Hinekahu, Waikareao, Hineao, Tumararoa, Te Rama, Te Rama Papaka, Te Pahunga, Te Okera, Ngapara, Waikawakawa, Te Mokena, Te Mira, Ngaurerangi, Tinipoueru, Temanui Kaewa, Tarakino (trustee, Mira Tuatina), Kake Pepe, Ruaroa, Te Hirangi Takarangi, Te Baharumai, Taumaiiroa, Te Kahau Raranga (trustee, Parirakawa), Paninui (trustee, Bahurama), Tohetana, Wero, Maraera-Waihora, Hineao, Teringa Kura Kokako, Whakahihi, Tohe (Tana), Tamarapa, Mata Moerewawa, Rangipikitea, Mere Hore, Te Ari, Paerangi, Ngahina te Kau, Rehua, Moesau, Ngakawhena, Tohe, Tiria, Waewae, Ruani Opokiwa (trustee, Ngahina), Bahiri, Rangipuri, Ngawira Turingihau, Heretaniwha, Turingihau, Waiata Kakau, Te Awarua, Haupae Ruru (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Tawhiti, Te Ararua, Hinerua, Mihitaitua, Ngawira, Bahirikau, Bahiri Wira, Kauraranga (trustee, Parirakawa), Panenui (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Terahuramai, Tapahi, Hinemanuhiri, Riria Berekaipeke, Tiki Berekaipeke, Kakau, Hineotings, Rangimoekai, Tare Te Wehenga, Taukiriwhata (trustee, Rangimoekai), Waikauri, Hinerangi, Kura Rangiumu, Te Urutahi, Te Urotonga, Tamatea, Te Ao Awarua, Roka Titipu and Kerepinene (trustees, Parewaho and Tuanini), Karo Nukuhau, Mere Pounamu, Arama, Te One, Ema, Keita, Tiki, Ruta, Te Mokena, Tutae, Te Kura, Ngatau, Te Weurangi, Mereana Taea, Tutakaikura, Rangiwetuki, Tutepurangi, Puaraokato, Ritama, Riako, Te Haupuhoro, Riakiao, Ngawira Turingihau, Heretaniwha, Ngawira, Tikapa Tamao-

hungia, Taringa Tamaohungia, (trustees, Rangipikitea and Tikapa Tamaohungia), Puiwaitaha, Tangiora, Tuaiwa, Rabiri, Kunako, Te Ratoia, Wairaka, Te Ngaururu, Te Hau te ki, Koheta and Panenui (trustee, Pare Raupaka), Karoro, Rangitupoki, Wherorangi, Taumihiroa, Patutu (trustee, Te Ngaururu Tuki), Nowhatiri (trustee, Te Ngaururu Tuki), Taiteariki, Te Hikaka Takirau, Marokopa, Kerei, Whaipakanga, Te Waka Taparuru, Tikapa, Te Hokio, Kawarau, Papaka Ngahaporoaki, Ratoia, Te Awarua, Tamaka, Weurangi, Tamawhero, Ruarangi, Kokiripouri, Te Kokiri, Peata te Hirata, Hiromona te Uamairangi, Haipene Ihairaira, Pita Heremaia, Puke-tehe Heremaia, Te Rangitoitu, Erana Ringaran, Te Rangiwetuki, Te Hikaka, Rongo te Rawhiti (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Huatui, Te Urotonga, Tutu, Te Puamoeawa, Te Rotimoerangi, Rotimoerangi, Hineao, Tunui Mininiki, Hemi, Mere Ngapaku, Rangiumu, Wi Poki, Haweturi, Maraera Haweturi (trustee, Haweturi), Pokere Haweturi (trustee, Haweturi), Taihuria Haweturi (trustee, Haweturi), Pokai Whenua, Totara, Te Motunui, Tamahiri, Turiakina, Moutoko, Haipene, Motenui, Te Pokaiatua, Te Waka, Whanaupunga, Eruera Rotoia, Te Mutu, Te Oro, Rangihina, Rangivananga, Koheta (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Waikauri, Toroa, Terawha, Tihirangi, Te Rawaho, Te Kowhai, Te Pirihii, Te Rangirunga, Tuarewa, Wharemate, Iwiahia, Nihera Raukura, Te Rangihirama, Tukohu, Ngataura, Nihera Raukura, Te Muroa, Hemi Watene, Hema Watene, Ngurangi, Mauriri, Ngatau, Onetu, Rangitaniwha, Tekenui, Purearukawa, Komaho, Kimirongo, Awarua, Wairaka, Pua Raukato, Puamoeawa, Puaraurenga, Ngatau, Tapahi, Pareraukawa, Komako, Puanui, Te Weu, Mahara, Panenui (trustee, Te Ngaururu), Tawhiti, Te Urutahi, Urotonga, Kimirongo, Awarua, Te Ao Awarua, Te Raurumai, Te Pua Moeawa, Urutahi, Tupotohaka, Taumaihiroa, Te Onetu, Mihi, Pokaiatua, Nga-peita, Tipirangi, Te Purei, Pihihitaki, Rangihuta, Kingi Tamakiterangi, Te Toru Tamakiterangi (trustee, Ngakepa Tamakiterangi), Poritamakiterangi (trustee, Ngakepa Tamakiterangi), Warira Tamakiterangi (trustee, Ngakepa Tamakiterangi), Terawhiti Tamakiterangi (trustee, Ngakepa Tamakiterangi), Rangiamohia, Rangipaki, Kuraroa, Mahuri, Te Pirihii Tukawainga, Ngaiwhau, Hinekete, Mauriri Nukuhua, Whakawiria Tumahuhi, Te Kiri, Nuriama Hinekorangi, Raukura, Pihipihii, Tuki, Roera, Tekoreama, Ngarewarewa, Tukohu, Piki, Pua Mahurangi, Tarawha Hineao, Herewhata, Honipumipi, Rahirikau, Hinauri, Ngakawa, Tekahu, Tioko, Mereana Hawaiki, Waikatera, Waiawa, Tutepurangi, and the other Native owners of all those pieces of land situate in the Provincial District of Taranaki, being portions of the Whareroa Reserve, known as "Hapua" and "Ohangai," and part of section numbered 588 on the public map of the Patea District, and containing by admeasurement 50 acres, 110 acres 3 roods, and 640 acres respectively (more or less), being the land comprised in confirmed leases Nos. 53 and 31, to Frederick Villebois Lysaght and Mary Emily Dyke Lysaght, of Hawera, farmers.

Whereas the above-named Frederick Villebois Lysaght and Mary Emily Dyke Lysaght have given notice to me, under the provisions of section 8 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," that they desire to obtain under that section new leases of the land above described; and I consider their applications ought to be given effect to: Now, therefore, I do hereby appoint a meeting to take place between the said Frederick Villebois Lysaght and Mary Emily Dyke Lysaght and all the Native owners of the above-described land, for the purpose of fixing the rent to be paid for the said land for the first twenty-one years of the new leases; and I fix the Reserves Agent's Office, Post Office Buildings, Hawera, as the place where, and Thursday, the 26th day of May, 1898, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, as the time when, such meeting shall take place.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1898.

JAMES C. MARTIN,  
Public Trustee.

No. 146.]



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# PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898,

COMPARED WITH THE

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.

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## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED REVENUE

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
517,316	10 5	Balance at beginning of Year,—	632,305	17 0
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .		
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
16,028	17 5	In the Colony .. .. .	20,904	19 1
16,953	12 7	In London .. .. .	25,858	17 7
259	15 7	On account of Imperial Pensions.. .. .	516	10 7
400,000	0 0	Investment Account .. .. .	404,700	0 0
950,558	16 0		1,084,286	4 3
735,000	0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding .. .. .	730,000	0 0
215,558	16 0			354,286 4 3
		Ordinary Revenue,—		
1,818,972	6 6	Customs .. .. .	1,935,251	16 1
730,236	16 7	Stamps, including Postal and Telegraph Cash Receipts .. .. .	780,231	11 6
272,309	1 11	Land-tax .. .. .	267,236	10 3
105,504	7 5	Income-tax .. .. .	115,210	9 1
68	0 11	Property-tax .. .. .	10	8 3
68,736	13 9	Beer Duty .. .. .	72,179	5 0
1,287,139	12 6	Railways .. .. .	1,370,571	14 8
50,256	10 11	Registration and other Fees .. .. .	51,238	13 0
21,204	1 2	Marine .. .. .	23,959	18 8
98,372	12 2	Miscellaneous .. .. .	108,343	8 8
4,452,845	3 10		4,724,333	15 2
		Territorial Revenue,—		
67,068	10 9	Cash Land Sales .. .. .	£66,622	7 1
42,452	8 11	Deferred-payment Land Sales .. .. .	25,956	9 1
163,432	14 1	Pastoral Runs, Rents, and Miscellaneous .. .. .	170,717	6 1
272,953	13 9		263,296	2 3
4,725,798	17 7			4,987,629 17 5
		Receipts in Aid,—		
70,300	0 0	Debentures issued under "The Consolidated Stock Act, 1884"—		
		For Increases of Sinking Fund .. .. .		69,600 0 0
		Temporary advances repaid,—		
		Net amount recovered from the Government Advances to Settlers Office	22,000	0 0
		Management Account .. .. .	50,000	0 0
		Repayment of advance made to the Public Works Fund .. .. .		72,000 0 0
4,700	0 0	Sinking Funds set free,—		
		"The Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860" .. .. .	4,500	0 0
		Applicable to the Redemption of Debentures issued under "The Consolidated		
		Stock Act, 1884," in respect of—		
3,396	10 8	"The Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860" .. .. .	4,871	3 4
19,571	0 0	"The New Zealand Loan Act, 1863" .. .. .	2,063	0 0
		"Auckland Loan Ordinance, 1863" .. .. .		
27,667	10 8			
0	9 4	Amount transferred from Released Sinking Fund Suspense Account .. .. .		
27,668	0 0			11,434 3 4
		Amount recovered from the Cheviot Estate Account,—		
2,609	3 9	In respect of Expenditure charged in previous year to "Unauthorized" .. .. .		
		Debentures issued under,—		
35,000	0 0	"The District Railways Purchasing Act 1885 Amendment Act, 1886," in renewal		
		of like amount matured 1st Oct., 1896 .. .. .		
£5,076,934	17 4	Totals .. .. .		£5,494,950 5 0

## TREASURY BILLS

335,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at beginning of Year,—	254,000	0 0
400,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue .. .. .	476,000	0 0
		In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures .. .. .		730,000 0 0
735,000	0 0			
1,525,000	0 0	Treasury Bills issued during Year .. .. .		880,000 0 0
£2,260,000	0 0	Totals .. .. .		£1,610,000 0 0

**FUND** for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.  
**ACCOUNT.**

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
24,168	9 2	Permanent Appropriations,—		
1,709,469	5 10	Civil List.. .. .	24,205	4 11
193,334	9 7	Interest and Sinking Fund.. .. .	1,741,412	18 5
63,812	10 8	Under Special Acts of the Legislature .. .. .	196,985	12 6
		Subsidies paid to Local Bodies .. .. .	70,262	6 2
40,634	11 6	Amounts paid over to Local Bodies and to Deposit Accounts in respect of Payments under the Land Acts .. .. .	37,133	4 8
		Endowments—		
6,302	4 11	New Plymouth Harbour Board .. .. .	5,179	7 5
11,066	14 1	Greymouth Harbour Board .. .. .	11,146	11 6
23,639	5 11	Westport Harbour Board .. .. .	25,891	3 9
2,072,427	11 8			2,112,216 9 4
		Annual Appropriations,—		
20,328	8 4	Class I.—Legislative .. .. .	15,998	17 9
101,921	13 0	" II.—Colonial Secretary .. .. .	74,100	13 3
29,835	4 2	" III.—Colonial Treasurer .. .. .	23,535	4 4
123,294	5 0	" IV.—Minister of Justice .. .. .	122,479	18 11
352,386	7 6	" V.—Postmaster-General .. .. .	362,867	10 1
91,050	0 7	" VI.—Commissioner of Trade and Customs .. .. .	66,190	14 0
22,380	14 2	" VII.—Commissioner of Stamps .. .. .	23,041	9 1
		" VIII.—Minister of Education—		
428,129	12 0	Education Department .. .. .	435,019	18 1
54,513	10 1	Lunacy and Charitable Aid Department .. .. .	57,304	14 4
7,206	4 6	Department of Labour .. .. .	6,869	13 10
18,106	14 7	" IX.—Minister of Mines .. .. .	15,556	9 5
50,033	9 2	" X.—Minister for Agriculture .. .. .	54,408	12 1
776,747	17 6	" XI.—Working Railways .. .. .	849,923	8 9
45,370	17 7	" XII.—Minister for Public Works .. .. .	42,603	5 11
68,551	9 10	" XIII.—Defence Department .. .. .	72,452	15 9
101,330	6 1	" XIV.—Police Department .. .. .	105,974	9 9
116,668	19 10	" XV.—Minister of Lands .. .. .	122,584	2 9
		" XVI.—Valuation Department .. .. .	37,126	18 10
508	9 11	" XVII.—Rates on Crown Lands .. .. .	154	5 5
3,188	17 7	Services not provided for .. .. .	1,962	3 2
2,411,553	1 5			2,490,155 5 6
150,000	0 0	Amount transferred to the Public Works Fund in terms of section 16 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897" .. .. .		300,000 0 0
		Purchase of the Patent and other Rights authorised by "The Cyanide Process Gold Extraction Act, 1897" .. .. .		10,000 0 0
22,968	0 0	Debentures redeemed,—		
4,700	0 0	" Consolidated Stock Act, 1884" (Colonial Issue) .. .. .	6,934	0 0
35,000	0 0	" Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860," due 1st Jan., 1897 .. .. .	4,500	0 0
		" District Railways Purchasing Act, 1885," due 1st Oct., 1896 .. .. .		
		Released Sinking Funds transferred to Deposit Suspense Account .. .. .	0	3 4
62,668	0 0			11,434 3 4
		Temporary advance to the Public Works Fund .. .. .		50,000 0 0
26,000	0 0	Net amount advanced to Government Advances to Settlers Office Management Account in terms of section 49 of "The Government Advances to Settlers Act, 1894" .. .. .		
632,305	17 0	Balance at end of Year,—		
20,904	19 1	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	780,530	3 7
25,858	17 7	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
516	10 7	In the Colony .. .. .	13,152	0 10
404,700	0 0	In London .. .. .	35,613	10 8
		On account of Imperial Pensions .. .. .	398	11 9
		Investment Account .. .. .	421,400	0 0
1,084,286	4 3		1,251,144	6 10
730,000	0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding .. .. .	730,000	0 0
354,286	4 3			521,144 6 10
£5,076,934	17 4	Totals .. .. .		£5,494,950 5 0

**ACCOUNT.**

1,530,000	0 0	Treasury Bills paid off during Year .. .. .		880,000 0 0
254,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at end of Year,—		
476,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue .. .. .	254,000	0 0
		In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures .. .. .	476,000	0 0
730,000	0 0			730,000 0 0
£2,260,000	0 0	Totals .. .. .		£1,610,000 0 0

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED STATE FORESTS

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
7,192	8 6	Balance at beginning of Year,—	11,036	4 9
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .		
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
		In the Colony .. .. .	188	0 9
				11,224 5 6
1,032	11 2	Rents from Lands set apart .. .. .	918	0 1
5,471	13 8	Miscellaneous .. .. .	10,077	13 0
				10,995 13 1
6,504	4 10			
£13,696	13 4	Totals .. .. .		£22,219 18 7

## ACCOUNTS OF

5,910	18 4	Balance at beginning of Year,—	9,885	4 9	
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .			
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—			
1	19 10	In the Colony .. .. .	269	1 6	10,154 6 3
5,912	18 2				
		Revenue received for Local Bodies,—			
2,329	12 11	Fees, Fines, &c. .. .. .	3,070	6 2	
9,370	3 5	Endowments of Land, &c. .. .. .	12,199	16 2	
59,809	14 4	Goldfields Revenue .. .. .	47,281	9 5	
9,387	12 10	Gold Duty .. .. .	10,849	1 8	73,400 13 5
80,897	3 6				
		Counties Separate Accounts,—			
382	17 2	Revenue of Counties in which "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .			380 14 0
		Advance Account,—			
43,300	18 5	Amount repaid by Local Bodies .. .. .	39,042	6 3	
71	7 0	Ditto on account of Unauthorised Expenditure of previous years .. .. .	84	16 6	39,127 2 9
43,372	5 5				
£130,565	4 3	Totals .. .. .			£123,062 16 5

## DEPOSIT

62,439	14 4	Balance at beginning of Year,—	80,000	5 6	
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .			
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—			
150	0 0	In the Colony .. .. .	300	0 0	
33,559	16 8	In London .. .. .	34,811	3 9	115,111 9 3
96,149	11 0				
		Lodgments,—			
		Cyanide Process Gold Extraction Act, 1897 .. .. .	676	17 1	
6,425	0 0	Emigrants' Deposits .. .. .	3,324	15 0	
25	0 0	General Assembly Library Fund .. .. .	25	0 0	
973	9 11	Government of South Australia .. .. .	4	0 2	
4	13 6	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1835 .. .. .	9	3 5	
458	0 0	Land Transfer Act, 1885 .. .. .			
81	17 9	Mining Districts Land Occupation Act, 1894 .. .. .	225	18 3	
117,188	10 11	Miscellaneous .. .. .	313,960	3 7	
14,900	0 0	Money-order Settlement .. .. .	6,000	0 0	
25	0 0	Native Land Act, 1878 (No. 2) .. .. .	25	0 0	
434	18 10	Native Land Purchases .. .. .	413	19 8	
		Native Township of Pipiriki .. .. .	74	7 0	
800	0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund Investment .. .. .			
64	0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund .. .. .	23	0 0	
24,371	13 10	New Zealand Midland Railway .. .. .	20,716	13 3	
129	11 0	New Zealand University Endowment, Canterbury .. .. .	129	11 0	
293	19 8	New Zealand University Endowment, Taranaki .. .. .	228	12 2	
14	10 0	New Zealand University Endowment, Westland .. .. .	10	0 0	
		North Island Experimental Dairy School .. .. .	433	18 0	
		North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1889 .. .. .	6,415	1 11	
10,254	18 11	Permanent-way Material for Open Lines of Railway .. .. .			
347	5 5	Property Law Consolidation Act 1883 Amendment Act, 1895 .. .. .			
400	0 0	Railways .. .. .			
12,137	0 0	Released Sinking Funds Suspense .. .. .	0	3 4	
		Tauranga Educational Endowment Reserves Act, 1896 .. .. .			
1,192	19 7	Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881 .. .. .	894	12 9	
1,172	12 5	Trustee Act, 1883 .. .. .			
2,507	19 5				
194,198	1 2				353,595 16 7
£290,347	12 2	Totals .. .. .			£468,707 5 10

FUND for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

## ACCOUNT.

1896-97.	EXPENDITURE.	1897-98.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2,472 7 10	Annual Appropriations,— Vote 110—State Forests Account .. .. .	..	5,802 1 4
11,086 4 9	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	16,417 17 3	
188 0 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	..	16,417 17 3
11,224 5 6			
£13,696 13 4	Totals .. .. .	..	£22,219 18 7

## LOCAL BODIES.

2,246 15 0	Revenue paid over to Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c. .. .. .	3,138 12 7	
7,084 19 7	Endowments of Land, &c. .. .. .	10,647 13 11	
58,179 13 9	Goldfields Revenue .. .. .	49,889 12 3	
9,461 4 11	Gold Duty .. .. .	10,478 12 10	
76,972 13 3			73,654 11 7
363 4 2	Counties Separate Accounts,— Amount distributed amongst Road Boards where "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .	..	358 4 0
43,075 0 7	Advance Accounts,— Payments on behalf of Local Bodies .. .. .	..	38,861 16 0
9,885 4 9	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	7,754 1 2	
269 1 6	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	2,434 3 8	
10,154 6 3			10,188 4 10
£130,565 4 3	Totals .. .. .	..	£123,062 16 5

## ACCOUNTS.

6,375 0 0	Withdrawals,— Emigrants' Deposits .. .. .	3,530 0 0	
25 0 0	General Assembly Library Fund .. .. .	..	
753 9 7	Government of South Australia .. .. .	..	
8 13 9	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885 .. .. .	3 17 6	
968 4 0	Land Transfer Act, 1885 .. .. .	..	
120,447 19 0	Miscellaneous .. .. .	311,985 6 7	
3,650 0 0	Money-order Settlement .. .. .	16,550 0 0	
38 15 1	Native Land Act, 1878 (No. 2) .. .. .	..	
434 1 0	Native Land Purchases .. .. .	434 5 9	
66 0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund .. .. .	43 0 0	
..	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund Investment .. .. .	400 0 0	
27,895 3 0	New Zealand Midland Railway .. .. .	17,706 6 11	
..	New Zealand University Endowment—Taranaki .. .. .	10 19 4	
90 6 1	Ngatirahiri Compensation .. .. .	67 17 5	
..	North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1889 .. .. .	11 10 3	
..	North Island Experimental Dairy School .. .. .	3 0 0	
347 5 5	Permanent-way Material for Open Lines of Railway .. .. .	..	
..	Property Law Consolidation Act 1883 Amendment Act, 1895 .. .. .	400 0 0	
12,114 16 8	Railways .. .. .	..	
0 9 4	Released Sinking Funds Suspense .. .. .	0 8 3	
1 0 0	Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881 .. .. .	45 11 1	
2,020 0 0	Trustee Act, 1883 .. .. .	..	
175,236 2 11			351,192 3 1
80,000 5 6	Balances at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	91,175 15 4	
300 0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	194 15 0	
34,811 3 9	In London .. .. .	26,144 12 5	
115,111 9 3			117,515 2 9
£290,347 12 2	Totals .. .. .	..	£468,707 5 10

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the PUBLIC WORKS

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
4,811	14 7	Balance at beginning of Year,—		
		Cash in Public Account .. .. .	63,642	13 10
10,588	14 6	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
15,749	10 3	In the Colony .. .. .	18,198	2 0
		In London .. .. .	5,521	16 5
		Investment Account .. .. .	70,000	0 0
31,149	19 4			157,362 12 3
		Balances as on 31st March, 1897, transferred hereto in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897,"—		
		Lands Improvement Account .. .. .	95,222	15 2
		Native Lands Purchase Account .. .. .	136,573	3 10
				231,795 19 0
375,000	0 0	The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896,—		
5	12 6	Proceeds of Debentures .. .. .	125,000	0 0
		Premium received in respect of same .. .. .	100,000	0 0
		Temporary advance on security of short-dated debentures .. .. .		
375,005	12 6			225,000 0 0
150,000	0 0	Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund in terms of section 16 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897" .. .. .		300,000 0 0
		Temporary advance from the Consolidated Fund (repaid as per contra) .. .. .		50,000 0 0
1,674	3 8	Special Receipts in connection with the Ellesmere and Forsyth Reclamation and Akaroa Railway Trust .. .. .		1,639 5 8
365	0 5	Recoveries,—		
334	0 0	In respect of Debentures issued under "The Roads and Bridges Construction Act, 1882" .. .. .	365	0 5
		In respect of Expenditure charged in previous years .. .. .		
699	0 5			365 0 5
36	13 4	Sinking Funds released under "The Consolidated Stock Act, 1884," in respect of—		
12,859	12 9	"The New Zealand Loan Act, 1860" .. .. .	872	7 6
		"The New Zealand Loan Act, 1856" .. .. .		
		"The Auckland Loan Ordinance, 1863" .. .. .		
12,896	6 1			872 7 6
£571,425	2 0	Totals .. .. .		£967,035 4 10

FUND for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
		Annual Appropriations,—		
		Class I.—Immigration .. .. .	69	15 5
14,891	16 6	II.—Public Works, Departmental .. .. .	9,688	13 2
193,307	13 1	III.—Railways .. .. .	351,600	6 8
64,236	12 3	IV.—Roads .. .. .	290,777	9 11
10,508	2 11	V.—Development of Goldfields .. .. .	33,117	7 5
Cr. 37	2 0	VI.—Purchase of Native Lands .. .. .	60,333	13 8
36,791	8 11	VII.—Telegraph Extension .. .. .	29,384	2 11
70,578	15 10	VIII.—Public Buildings .. .. .	73,584	19 5
11,600	7 5	IX.—Lighthouses, Harbour-works, and Harbour Defences .. .. .	5,295	1 8
331	19 3	X.—Rates on Native Lands .. .. .	156	9 9
10,553	16 9	XI.—Contingent Defence .. .. .	10,360	7 7
413,064	17 2			864,368 7 7
		Unauthorised,—		
942	9 3	Services not provided for .. .. .	1,169	4 9
..		Repayment of temporary advance from Consolidated Fund .. .. .	50,000	0 0
				51,169 4 9
		The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896,—		
..		Charges and expenses of raising loan .. .. .	..	5 5 0
		Local Bodies' Finance and Powers Act 1885 Amendment Act, 1887,—		
55	3 4	Moiety of subsidy to Waipa County .. .. .	..	..
		Balance at end of Year,—		
63,642	13 10	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	17,408	19 10
18,198	2 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
5,521	16 5	In the Colony .. .. .	18,595	2 11
70,000	0 0	In London .. .. .	15,488	4 9
		Investment Account .. .. .	..	..
157,362	12 3			51,492 7 6
£571,425	2 0	Totals .. .. .	..	£967,035 4 10

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LANDS IMPROVEMENT

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
19,523	5 1	Balance at beginning of Year,—		
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	180,130	5 11
11,901	10 1	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
		In the Colony .. .. .	6,442	17 11
31,424	15 2			136,573 3 10
21,200	0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under—		
187,500	0 0	“The Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act, 1894” ..	..	..
2	16 3	“The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896” (proportion)	..	..
		Premium received in respect of ditto .. .. .	..	..
208,702	16 3			
3,375	4 6	Recoveries on account of expenditure of previous years .. .. .	..	..
£243,502	15 11	Totals .. .. .	..	£136,573 3 10

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the NATIVE LANDS PURCHASE

4,354	19 10	Balance at beginning of Year,—		
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	93,959	12 1
1,564	18 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
		In the Colony .. .. .	1,263	3 1
5,919	18 9			95,222 15 2
30,800	0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under—		
187,500	0 0	“The Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act, 1894” ..	..	..
2	16 3	“The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896” (proportion)	..	..
		Premium received in respect of ditto .. .. .	..	..
218,302	16 3			
£224,222	15 0	Totals .. .. .	..	£95,222 15 2

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CHEVIOT ESTATE

..		Balance at beginning of Year,—		
		Cash in Public Account .. .. .	55	16 8
..		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
		In the Colony .. .. .	324	10 9
				380 7 5
480	16 10	Receipts under “The Cheviot Estate Disposition Act, 1893,”—		
13,833	8 2	Land Sales for Cash .. .. .	1,024	8 6
4	6 9	Rents from Lands .. .. .	14,385	16 3
869	4 10	Rent of Buildings .. .. .	..	..
45	0 0	Shipping and Port Charges .. .. .	806	8 1
100	11 6	Interest on Advances .. .. .	45	0 0
		Miscellaneous .. .. .	15	7 9
15,333	8 1			16,277 0 7
£15,333	8 1	Totals .. .. .	..	£16,657 8 0



**ACCOUNT** for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.	1897-98.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
..		Balance as on 31st March, 1897, transferred to Public Works Fund in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897" .. .. .	..	136,573 3 10
106,929	12 1	Annual Appropriations,— Vote —Roads and Bridges .. .. .	..	..
130,130	5 11	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	..
6,442	17 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	..	..
136,573	3 10			
£243,502	15 11	Totals .. .. .	..	£136,573 3 10

**ACCOUNT** for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

..		Balance as on 31st March, 1897, transferred to Public Works Fund in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897" .. .. .	..	95,222 15 2
128,999	19 10	Annual Appropriations,— Vote —Native Land Purchases .. .. .	..	..
93,959	12 1	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	..
1,263	3 1	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	..	..
95,222	15 2			
£224,222	15 0	Totals .. .. .	..	£95,222 15 2

**ACCOUNT** for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

11,979	15 5	Expenditure,— Interest on Debentures .. .. .	12,115	16 3	
2,966	1 3	Surveys, Roading, &c. .. .. .	753	18 7	12,869 14 10
14,945	16 8				
7	4 0	Appropriations,— Vote 111—Cheviot Estate Expenses .. .. .	..	..	3,787 13 2
55	16 8	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	..	..
324	10 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	..	..	..
380	7 5				
£15,333	8 1	Totals .. .. .	..	..	£16,657 8 0

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS

1896-97.	RECEIPTS.	1897-98.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1,357 11 9	Balance at beginning of Year,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	3,751 9 2	
..	Advances in hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	963 2 7	4,714 11 9
305,990 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under— "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894" .. .. .	..	135,000 0 0
19,628 19 6	Receipts derived from Rents and Lease-fees .. .. .	..	27,667 0 10
£326,976 11 3	Totals .. .. .	..	£167,881 12 7

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.			1897-98.					
£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
2,099	5 9	Annual Appropriations,—								
		Vote 112—Land for Settlements Expenses ..			..	..	..	1,759 3 2		
Total.		Acquirement of Estates,—			Purchase-money.		Expenses.			
		Name of Estate.								
65,803	17 10	Albury .. .. .	..	..	..	273	11 10	273	11 10	
37,828	7 6	Ardgowan .. .. .	..	..	..	39	8 7	39	8 7	
29,247	3 2	Arowhenua .. .. .	..	..	..	112	7 3	112	7 3	
41	2 0	Ashley Gorge .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	Beaumont (Trustees, W. Stevens)	..	..	10,482	11 3	55	13 0	10,538	4 3
422	6 3	Blind River .. .. .	..	..	..	..	17	13 6	17	13 6
14	19 0	Braco .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
46,072	5 4	Elsthorpe .. .. .	..	..	..	815	9 9	815	9 9	
27	9 0	Hatuma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
11,165	0 9	Hawkesbury .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	Hekeao (Trustees, W. S. Peter)	..	..	10,545	5 0	248	17 6	10,794	2 6
59,606	6 7	Highbank .. .. .	..	..	..	..	127	4 0	127	4 0
20,119	3 1	Horsley Down .. .. .	..	..	..	..	394	3 7	394	3 7
4	5 3	Kapua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	59	13 5	59	13 5
6	11 11	Maerewhenua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	36	18 3	36	18 3
95	12 2	Marawiti (J. C. Wason)	..	..	14,200	18 10	176	8 11	14,377	7 9
1,553	2 8	Merrivale .. .. .	..	..	..	..	122	10 2	122	10 2
3	2 6	Myrtle Bank (Momona), W. Thomson	..	..	3,608	19 3	22	5 1	3,631	4 4
..	..	Omaka .. .. .	..	..	..	..	71	7 6	71	7 6
574	8 7	Okania (Assets Realisation Board)	..	..	4,143	12 1	4	3 8	4,147	15 9
15	11 3	Opouriao .. .. .	..	..	..	..	167	1 11	167	1 11
43	15 7	Omihi Stock Reserve .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2	5 10	2	5 10
1	3 10	Orakipaoa .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	Otaio .. .. .	..	..	..	..	72	1 1	72	1 1
2,043	8 8	Otahu (Batger and Menzies) ..	..	..	7,555	4 6	362	17 11	7,918	2 5
11	0 3	Otarakaro .. .. .	..	..	..	..	6	9 9	6	9 9
6	0 0	Paparangi (W. Drake)	..	..	3,875	8 0	785	17 0	4,661	5 0
170	2 0	Pareora .. .. .	..	..	..	..	67	5 0	67	5 0
..	..	Patoa .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
708	15 0	Pawaha (C. Menzies) .. .. .	..	..	1,823	12 6	13	7 1	1,836	19 7
454	6 6	Poerua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	175	16 2	175	16 2
7,779	12 6	Pomahaka .. .. .	..	..	..	..	517	14 8	517	14 8
..	..	Pouparae .. .. .	..	..	..	..	25	17 1	25	17 1
39	6 10	Puhipuhi (J. A. Parsons)	..	..	320	0 0	3	16 0	323	16 0
..	..	Puketapu .. .. .	..	..	..	..	18	6 11	18	6 11
203	17 7	Rangiatea (Assets Realisation Board)	..	..	14,014	0 0	..	..	14,014	0 0
334	11 7	Raureka .. .. .	..	..	..	..	12	16 5	12	16 5
..	..	Roimata .. .. .	..	..	..	..	53	16 1	53	16 1
..	..	Rural Section 1862, Nimrod Survey District, Block IV. (N.Z. and A. Land Company)	..	..	60	0 0	4	3 0	64	3 0
..	..	Studholme Junction .. .. .	..	..	..	..	112	9 4	112	9 4
..	..	Teanaraki .. .. .	..	..	..	..	11	12 0	11	12 0
122	14 4	Tokarahi (A. A. McMaster)	..	..	77,360	17 10	1,634	12 0	78,995	9 10
..	..	Tomoana .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2	7 2	2	7 2
8,678	16 3	Waimarie .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
12,361	6 7	Waihero Grange (Makareao)	..	..	..	..	2,054	10 5	2,054	10 5
4,799	18 2	Wharenui .. .. .	..	..	..	..	130	15 10	130	15 10
..	..	Land Exchanges .. .. .	..	..	..	..	22	4 6	22	4 6
310,364	10 6				147,990	9 3	8,855	19 2	156,826	8 5
Unauthorised,—										
342	12 10	Ardgowan Estate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
120	0 0	Albury .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
550	0 0	Elsthorpe .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
95	10 5	Opouriao .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1,108	3 3				..	..	..	..	..	..
311,472	13 9									
8,690	0 0	Debentures matured 31st March, 1897, and reissued			..	..	..	..	..	..
Balance at end of Year,—										
3,751	9 2	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .			..	..	..	..	8,689	18 10
963	2 7	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—			..	..	..	..	106	2 2
..	..	In the Colony .. .. .			..	..	..	..	..	..
4,714	11 9								8,796	1 0
£326,976	11 3	Totals .. .. .			..	..	..	..	..	£167,881 12 7

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONVERSION

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.						1897-98.					
£	s.	d.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dr. 1,595	5	3	Balance at beginning of Year,—					1,108	10	6			
			Cash in the Public Account	..	..	..	..						
1,054	10	5	In the hands of Stock Agents—					469	9	11			
			Cash	..	..	..	..						
61,017	8	2	In the hands of the Agent-General—					..					
			3½-per cent. Inscribed Stock	..	..	..	..						
60,476	8	4											1,578 0 5
..			3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—					190,000	0	0			
26,620	0	0	Issued for redemption of Debentures	..	..	..	..	364,392	0	0			
			Issued in exchange for Debentures	..	..	..	..						554,392 0 0
30,271	0	0	3½-per cent. Inscribed Stock,—					..					..
			Issued in exchange for Debentures	..	..	..	..						..
3,012	1	9	In reduction of Conversion Expenses,—					..					847 19 6
			Premium on sale of Inscribed Stock sold above par	..	..	..	..						
£120,379	10	1	<b>Total</b>	..	..	..	..	..					£556,812 19 11

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.					1897-98.			
£	s. d.	Original Amount.		Rate.	Pre- mium.	Converted Stock.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
		£	£	£	£	£				
		Debentures converted into 3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—								
..		Consolidated Loan Act, 1867 ..								
		2,000		105	100	2,100				
		3,800		106½	247	4,047				
		6,500		107	455	6,955				
		17,100	29,400	108	1,368	18,468				
..		New Zealand Loan Act, 1863 (1914)								
		200		120	40	240				
		2,600		121	546	3,146				
			2,800							
..		Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862, due 1st July, 1898 .. ..								
			900	100	..	900				
..		Immigration and Public Works Loan Act, 1870, due 15th April, 1913 ..								
			9,000	108	720	9,720				
..		Consolidated Stock Act, 1884 (Colonial issue), due 28th May, 1897 ..								
		218,816								
		100,000								
			318,816	100	..	318,816				
26,620	0 0									
							364,392	0 0		
			360,916		3,476				364,392	0 0
		Debentures converted into 3½-per-cent. Stock,—								
27,061	0 0	Consolidated Loan Act, 1867 .. ..								
1,554	0 0	New Zealand Loan Act, 1863 (1914) .. ..								
1,656	0 0	Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862, due 1st July, 1898 .. ..								
30,271	0 0									
		Debentures redeemed,—								
42,586	0 0	Consolidated Loan Act, 1867, 5 per cent. .. ..								
		Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act, 1894, 4 per cent., due 30th September, 1908 .. ..								
						100,000	0 0			
		Consolidated Stock Act, 1884 (Colonial issue), due 28th May, 1897 .. ..								
						44,216	0 0			
16,200	0 0	Five-per-cent. 10/40 Loan (outstanding debentures) .. ..								
						200	0 0			
		Auckland Loan Act, 1863, 6 per cent., due 1st June, 1896 .. ..								
58,786	0 0								185,216	0 0
		Expenses Account,—								
54	10 0	Brokerage and Commission .. ..								
1,337	11 3	Stamp Duty .. ..								
1,044	9 2	Interest (including overlap of interest) .. ..								
329	8 9	Office Expenses .. ..								
363	10 6	Printing and Advertising .. ..								
		Miscellaneous .. ..								
						332	0 0			
						3,466	10 0			
						321	6 7			
						327	6 10			
						72	9 2			
						143	5 0			
3,129	9 8								4,662	17 7
		Balance at end of Year,—								
1,103	10 6	Cash in the Public Account .. ..								
469	9 11	In the hands of Stock Agents—								
							2,288	5 11		
							253	16 5		
1,573	0 5								2,542	2 4
£120,379	10 1	Totals							£556,812	19 11

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.						1897-98.	
£	s. d.							£	s. d.
858	13 7	Balance at beginning of Year,—						..	3 10 1
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .						..	
93,800	0 0	The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,—						..	111,400 0 0
		Debentures created .. .. .						..	
		Repayments under section 8 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1896,"—							
		Counties,—							
..		Horowhenua .. .. .						137 8 11	
..		Kiwitea .. .. .						3,576 0 0	
..		Pahiatua .. .. .						793 6 4	
78 1 11		Patea .. .. .						..	
1,711 13 1		Stratford .. .. .						..	
500 0 0		Wairarapa North .. .. .						..	
		Road Boards,—							
..		Featherston .. .. .						94 9 3	
150 0 0		Parihaka .. .. .						..	
55 0 0		Manawatu .. .. .						..	
2,494 15 0									4,601 4 6
		Totals .. .. .						..	£116,004 14 7
£97,158	8 7								

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.						1897-98.	
£	s. d.							£	s. d.
		Grants to—							
		Counties—							
..	0 0	Cheviot	..	..	..	..	..	1,100	0 0
1,225	0 0	Clifton	..	..	..	..	..	100	0 0
3,046	0 0	Cook	..	..	..	..	..	3,178	0 0
3,190	0 0	Hawera	..	..	..	..	..	3,898	0 0
..	0 0	Hawke's Bay	..	..	..	..	..	6,000	0 0
1,550	0 0	Horowhenua	..	..	..	..	..	470	0 0
730	0 0	Hutt	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6,000	0 0	Kiwitea	..	..	..	..	..	9,365	0 0
1,150	0 0	Manawatu	..	..	..	..	..	4,800	0 0
..	0 0	Ohinemuri	..	..	..	..	..	5,000	0 0
5,733	0 0	Pahiatua	..	..	..	..	..	750	0 0
1,760	0 0	Patea	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4,701	0 0	Pohangina	..	..	..	..	..	6,000	0 0
2,412	0 0	Rangitikei	..	..	..	..	..	580	0 0
..	0 0	Raglan	..	..	..	..	..	600	0 0
3,868	0 0	Stratford	..	..	..	..	..	5,410	0 0
175	0 0	Waipawa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1,360	0 0	Wairarapa North	..	..	..	..	..	264	0 0
50	0 0	Wairoa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
700	0 0	Waitotara	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1,000	0 0	Waitaki	..	..	..	..	..	200	0 0
38,650	0 0							47,715	0 0
		Road Boards—							
100	0 0	Arai	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1,800	0 0	Arch Hill	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	0 0	Egmont	..	..	..	..	..	500	0 0
2,558	0 0	Eketahuna	..	..	..	..	..	463	0 0
300	0 0	Featherston	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2,500	0 0	Fitzherbert	..	..	..	..	..	250	0 0
610	0 0	Frankley	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
165	0 0	Manawatu	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1,970	0 0	Manchester	..	..	..	..	..	754	0 0
1,778	0 0	Manganui	..	..	..	..	..	1,670	0 0
..	0 0	Masterton	..	..	..	..	..	800	0 0
100	0 0	Mauku	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1,030	0 0	Mauriceville	..	..	..	..	..	775	0 0
2,890	0 0	Moa	..	..	..	..	..	1,569	0 0
290	0 0	Otaki	..	..	..	..	..	550	0 0
1,055	0 0	Parihaka	..	..	..	..	..	400	0 0
..	0 0	Pouawa	..	..	..	..	..	40	0 0
..	0 0	Seatoun	..	..	..	..	..	2,000	0 0
670	0 0	Taratahi-Carterton	..	..	..	..	..	267	0 0
50	0 0	Te Horo	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
388	0 0	Turanga	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	0 0	Upper Taueru	..	..	..	..	..	300	0 0
1,772	0 0	Waimate	..	..	..	..	..	1,122	0 0
..	0 0	Waipipi	..	..	..	..	..	650	0 0
..	0 0	Waiwakaiho	..	..	..	..	..	650	0 0
..	0 0	Wirokino	..	..	..	..	..	995	0 0
20,026	0 0							13,755	0 0
		Boroughs—							
..	0 0	Dannevirke	..	..	..	..	..	2,000	0 0
395	0 0	Feilding	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
160	0 0	Pahiatua	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
300	0 0	Patea	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2,000	0 0	Petone	..	..	..	..	..	2,800	0 0
2,855	0 0							4,800	0 0
		Town Boards—							
100	0 0	Clyde	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
300	0 0	Stratford	..	..	..	..	..	300	0 0
400	0 0								
		Drainage Boards—							
..	0 0	Akaaka	..	..	..	..	..	493	0 0
570	0 0	Aorangi Land	..	..	..	..	..	1,495	0 0
3,000	0 0	Manawatu Land	..	..	..	..	..	3,000	0 0
200	0 0	Otakia	..	..	..	..	..	200	0 0
280	0 0	Sluggish River	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	0 0	Tepuke Land	..	..	..	..	..	600	0 0
4,050	0 0							5,788	0 0
		Unauthorised—							
152	0 0	Pohangina County	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	0 0	Wainono Drainage Board	..	..	..	..	..	2,899	0 0
66,133	0 0								75,257 0 0
31,016	18 6	Appropriations,—							
..	..	Vote 113.—Roads to open up Crown lands						..	18,769 11 8
3	10 1	Balance at end of year,—						..	..
..	..	Cash in the Public Account						21,826 19 11	..
..	..	Advances in hands of Officers of the Government,—						..	..
..	..	In the Colony						151 3 0	..
£97,153	8 7	Totals	..	..	..	..	..	21,978	2 11
								£116,004	14 7

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the **NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS**

1896-97.		RECEIPTS.						1897-98.						
£	s.	d.							£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
90	0	0	Balance at beginning of Year,—						5	0	0			
161,800	0	0	Cash in Deposit Account .. .. .						297,400	0	0	297,405 0 0		
			Investment Account .. .. .											
161,890	0	0	Deposits inscribed .. .. .									58,780 0 0		
136,015	0	0	Total .. .. .									£356,185 0 0		
£297,405	0	0												

The Treasury, Wellington, 22nd April, 1898.

RAILWAY RECEIPTS examined and found correct.

C. HUDSON,  
Assistant General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

CUSTOMS REVENUE examined and found to agree with the Collectors' Cash-books.

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

TERRITORIAL REVENUE RECEIPTS examined and found correct.

W. WEST KNOWLES,  
For Auditor of Land Revenue.



ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1897.

1896-97.		EXPENDITURE.						1897-98.			
£ s. d.		Balance at end of Year,—						£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
5 0 0		Cash in Deposit Account.. .. .						85 0 0			
297,400 0 0		Investment Account .. .. .						356,100 0 0		356,185 0 0	
£297,405 0 0		Totals .. .. .						..		£356,185 0 0	

JAMES B. HEYWOOD,  
Secretary to the Treasury.

ROBERT J. COLLINS,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

The foregoing accounts have been examined and found correct, except as regards the "Customs," "Railways," and "Territorial Revenue" receipts, which are not now examined by the Audit Office; but, as regards the receipts of gold revenue, the Audit Office is unable to satisfactorily verify them, through the failure of the Mines Department to comply with a requisition for a certified statement of the amounts collectible as such revenue.

J. K. WARBURTON,  
Controller and Auditor-General.

## SUMMARY OF BALANCES ON 31st MARCH, 1898.

		BALANCES.				CASH.	ADVANCES.	INVESTMENTS.	TOTAL.
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
<b>CONSOLIDATED FUND :—</b>									
Ordinary Revenue Account ..	1,251,144 6 10*					780,580 3 7	49,164 3 3	421,400 0 0	1,251,144 6 10
State Forests Account ..	16,417 17 3					16,417 17 3	..	..	16,417 17 3
Accounts of Local Bodies ..	10,188 4 10					7,754 1 2	2,434 3 8	..	10,188 4 10
Deposit Accounts ..	117,515 2 9					91,175 15 4	26,339 7 5	..	117,515 2 9
		1,395,265 11 8				895,927 17 4	77,937 14 4	421,400 0 0	1,395,265 11 8
<b>PUBLIC WORKS FUND .. ..</b>		51,492 7 6				17,408 19 10	34,083 7 8	..	51,492 7 6
<b>LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT..</b>		8,796 1 0				8,689 18 10	106 2 2	..	8,796 1 0
<b>CONVERSION ACCOUNT .. ..</b>		2,542 2 4				2,288 5 11	253 16 5	..	2,542 2 4
<b>LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT</b>		21,978 2 11				21,826 19 11	151 3 0	..	21,978 2 11
<b>NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT..</b>		356,185 0 0				85 0 0	..	356,100 0 0	356,185 0 0
<b>REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT</b>		Dr.770,000 0 0				Cr.770,000 0 0	..	..	Cr.770,000 0 0
<b>Totals .. ..</b>		1,066,259 5 5				176,227 1 10	112,532 3 7	777,500 0 0	1,066,259 5 5

\* Against this, Treasury bills amounting to £730,000 are outstanding.

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# PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 1898,

COMPARED WITH THE

QUARTER ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 1897.

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## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED

## ORDINARY REVENUE

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1897.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d.	Ordinary Revenue,—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
513,094 14 3	Customs .. .. .	533,661 12 8	
191,691 2 5	Stamps .. .. .	193,782 7 11	
21,636 8 7	Postal and Telegraph Cash Receipts .. .. .	25,505 2 1	
5,003 2 2	Land-tax .. .. .	1,893 11 5	
97,538 0 4	Income-tax .. .. .	109,862 17 6	
59 0 11	Property-Tax .. .. .	.. .. .	
19,998 2 7	Beer Duty .. .. .	20,679 5 6	
418,168 14 6	Railways .. .. .	450,049 12 2	
13,644 1 6	Registration and other Fees .. .. .	13,805 9 9	
6,408 5 3	Marine .. .. .	7,402 3 7	
52,622 0 10	Miscellaneous .. .. .	49,587 14 1	
1,339,863 13 4		1,406,229 16 8	
15,962 9 4	Territorial Revenue,—		
12,689 6 2	Cash Land Sales .. .. .	£14,636 13 4	
68,468 8 2	Deferred-payment Land Sales .. .. .	7,771 13 9	
	Pastoral Runs, Rents, and Miscellaneous .. .. .	75,668 13 10	
97,120 3 8		98,077 0 11	1,504,306 17 7
1,436,983 17 0			
..	Temporary Advances repaid,—		
..	Repayment by Government Advances to Settlers Offices of advances made under section 49 of "The Government Advances to Settlers Office Act, 1894" .. .. .	500 0 0	
	Repayment of temporary advance made to Public Works Fund .. .. .	50,000 0 0	50,500 0 0
4,700 0 0	Sinking Funds set free,—		
	"Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860" .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
0 9 4	Amount transferred from Released Sinking Fund Suspense Account .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
£1,441,684 6 4	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	£1,554,806 17 7

## TREASURY BILLS

630,000 0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at beginning of Quarter,—		
400,000 0 0	In anticipation of Revenue .. .. .	404,000 0 0	
	In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures .. .. .	476,000 0 0	
1,030,000 0 0			880,000 0 0
100,000 0 0	Treasury Bills issued during Quarter .. .. .	.. .. .	100,000 0 0
£1,130,000 0 0	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	£980,000 0 0

FUND for the Quarters ended 31st DECEMBER, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

ACCOUNT.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.		EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
1,030,000	0 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	880,000	0 0
		Treasury Bills outstanding .. .. .		
		Less—		
201,326	7 6	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	£216,801	7 7
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
259,696	15 3	In the Colony .. .. .	205,527	3 0
104,461	3 10	In London .. .. .	66,615	17 4
335,000	0 0	Investment Account .. .. .	379,400	0 0
900,484	6 7		868,344	7 11
129,515	13 5			11,655 12 1
		Permanent Appropriations,—		
6,222	8 3	Civil List .. .. .	6,941	12 7
59,513	11 7	Interest and Sinking Fund .. .. .	70,767	10 6
65,017	17 10	Under Special Acts of the Legislature .. .. .	72,513	18 11
15,368	11 3	Subsidies paid to Local Bodies .. .. .	23,585	12 8
		Amounts paid over to Local Bodies and to Deposit Accounts in respect of Rents under the Land Acts .. .. .	13,095	2 6
14,339	11 8	Endowments,—		
843	4 3	New Plymouth Harbour Board .. .. .	1,151	12 11
2,671	3 6	Greymouth Harbour Board .. .. .	3,540	1 10
6,248	2 5	Westport Harbour Board .. .. .	8,309	8 1
170,224	10 9			199,905 0 0
		Annual Appropriations,—		
2,710	5 7	Class I.—Legislative .. .. .	5,564	2 3
38,374	3 3	" II.—Colonial Secretary .. .. .	22,022	0 8
11,206	9 9	" III.—Colonial Treasurer .. .. .	Cr. 10,536	16 5
30,958	11 10	" IV.—Minister of Justice .. .. .	33,294	6 10
127,212	2 5	" V.—Postmaster-General .. .. .	140,119	2 0
19,476	13 0	" VI.—Commissioner of Trade and Customs .. .. .	17,021	4 5
7,624	5 1	" VII.—Commissioner of Stamps .. .. .	8,052	11 2
		" VIII.—Minister of Education—		
105,651	12 4	Education Department .. .. .	105,798	16 3
14,996	9 0	Lunacy and Charitable Department .. .. .	17,050	4 2
1,177	19 11	Department of Labour .. .. .	1,812	16 3
5,085	18 9	" IX.—Minister of Mines .. .. .	2,948	17 7
22,005	18 9	" X.—Minister for Agriculture .. .. .	20,096	10 0
289,824	7 5	" XI.—Working Railways .. .. .	228,934	3 7
6,417	5 9	" XII.—Minister for Public Works .. .. .	15,910	14 7
23,259	9 0	" XIII.—Defence Department .. .. .	26,630	3 4
31,753	3 2	" XIV.—Police Department .. .. .	32,310	5 2
30,796	4 5	" XV.—Minister of Lands .. .. .	30,967	19 5
		" XVI.—Valuation Department .. .. .	37,126	18 10
313	9 1	" XVII.—Rates on Crown Lands .. .. .	47	13 7
2,216	9 5	Services not provided for .. .. .	1,930	5 0
771,060	17 11			737,101 18 8
		Further amount transferred to Public Works Fund under section 16 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897" .. .. .		25,000 0 0
		Temporary advances to Public Works Fund (repaid as per contra) .. .. .		50,000 0 0
		Purchase of the patent and other rights, as authorised by "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897" .. .. .		10,000 0 0
		Debentures redeemed,—		
4,700	0 0	" Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860"—due 1st January, 1897 .. .. .		
3,397	0 0	" Consolidated Stock Act, 1884"—due 28th May, 1897 .. .. .		
8,097	0 0			
8,500	0 0	Net amount advanced in terms of section 49 of "The Government Advances to Settlers Act, 1894" .. .. .		
632,305	17 0	Balance at end of Quarter,—	780,580	3 7
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .		
20,904	19 1	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
25,858	17 7	In the Colony .. .. .	13,152	0 10
516	10 7	In London .. .. .	35,613	10 8
404,700	0 0	On Account of Imperial Pensions .. .. .	398	11 9
		Investment Account .. .. .	421,400	0 0
1,084,286	4 3		1,251,144	6 10
730,000	0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding .. .. .	730,000	0 0
354,286	4 3			521,144 6 10
£1,441,684	6 4	Totals .. .. .		£1,554,806 17 7

ACCOUNT.

400,000	0 0	Treasury Bills redeemed during Quarter .. .. .		250,000 0 0
254,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at end of Quarter,—		
476,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue .. .. .	254,000	0 0
		In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures .. .. .	476,000	0 0
730,000	0 0			730,000 0 0
£1,130,000	0 0	Totals .. .. .		£880,000 0 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED  
STATE FORESTS

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1897.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1898.
£ s. d. 10,291 17 3	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	£ s. d. 14,088 0 1
450 0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	646 4 10
10,741 17 3		14,729 4 11
404 14 3	Rents from Lands set apart .. .. .	231 5 7
1,626 8 11	Miscellaneous .. .. .	3,822 16 9
2,031 3 2		4,054 2 4
£12,773 0 5	Totals .. .. .	£18,783 7 3

## ACCOUNTS OF

13,129 2 4	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	5,234 13 0
6,658 11 3	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	3,353 2 11
19,787 13 7		8,587 15 11
337 16 5	Revenue received for Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c. .. .. .	422 4 7
6,276 2 5	Endowments of Land .. .. .	8,526 18 6
17,081 11 11	Goldfields Revenue .. .. .	11,922 15 7
2,639 3 8	Gold Duty .. .. .	3,263 15 3
26,334 14 5		24,135 13 11
14,970 4 3	Advance Accounts,— Amount recovered from Local Bodies .. .. .	20,541 14 3
67 13 0	"Unauthorised"—on account of previous quarters .. .. .	81 19 0
15,037 17 3		20,623 13 3
99 7 6	Counties Separate Account,— Revenues of Counties in which "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .	233 7 0
£61,259 12 9	Totals .. .. .	£53,580 10 1

## DEPOSIT

70,194 6 10	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	74,099 19 11
81 1 8	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	650 0 0
26,393 11 4	In London .. .. .	20,380 11 10
96,668 19 10		95,130 11 9
1,471 5 9	Lodgments,— Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897 .. .. .	676 17 1
3 10 1	Emigrants' Deposits .. .. .	394 15 0
37 16 11	Government of South Australia .. .. .	0 4 1
54,393 10 7	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885 .. .. .	186 1 4
11,900 0 0	Mining Districts Lands Occupation Act, 1894 .. .. .	53,418 10 11
28 0 0	Miscellaneous .. .. .	1,700 0 0
800 0 0	Money-order Settlement .. .. .	74 7 0
64 15 6	Native Township of Pipiriki .. .. .	13 0 0
108 15 11	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund .. .. .	64 15 6
2 10 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund Investment .. .. .	96 7 8
6,826 13 5	New Zealand University Endowment, Canterbury .. .. .	5 0 0
5,387 14 9	New Zealand University Endowment, Taranaki .. .. .	6,056 3 6
1,192 19 7	New Zealand University Endowment, Westland .. .. .	2,790 16 4
517 2 6	New Zealand Midland Railway .. .. .	278 4 6
82,734 15 0	North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act Amendment Act, 1889 .. .. .	
£179,403 14 10	Tauranga Educational Reserves Endowment Act, 1896 .. .. .	
	Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881 .. .. .	
	Totals .. .. .	£160,882 14 8

FUND for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

ACCOUNT.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.		EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
1,548	14 11	Annual Appropriations,— Vote 110.—State Forests Branch .. .. .	..	2,365 10 0
11,036	4 9	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	16,417 17 3	
188	0 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	..	16,417 17 3
11,224	5 6			
£12,778	0 5	Totals .. .. .	..	£18,783 7 3

LOCAL BODIES.

232	3 6	Revenue paid over to Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c. .. .. .	414 5 7	
3,497	0 1	Endowments of Land .. .. .	4,367 11 7	
22,912	4 2	Goldfields Revenue .. .. .	14,645 4 4	
3,465	9 5	Gold Duty .. .. .	3,233 10 0	
30,096	14 2			22,660 11 6
20,925	12 10	Advance Accounts,— Amount paid on behalf of Local Bodies .. .. .	..	20,418 14 9
82	19 6	Counties Separate Account,— Amount distributed amongst Road Boards where "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .	..	312 19 0
9,885	4 9	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	7,754 1 2	
269	1 6	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	2,434 3 8	10,188 4 10
10,154	6 3			
£61,259	12 9	Totals .. .. .	..	£53,580 10 1

ACCOUNT.

3,100	0 0	Withdrawals,— Emigrants' Deposits .. .. .	1,020 0 0	
275	12 10	Government of South Australia .. .. .	..	
34,526	16 9	Miscellaneous .. .. .	33,052 11 11	
1,400	0 0	Money-order Settlement .. .. .	1,700 0 0	
46	7 3	Native Land Purchases .. .. .	37 4 3	
33	0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund .. .. .	..	
10,851	2 1	New Zealand Midland Railway .. .. .	7,108 8 1	
29	17 4	Ngatirahiri Compensation .. .. .	17 14 4	
..	..	Property Law Consolidation Act Amendment Act, 1895 .. .. .	400 0 0	
12,009	0 0	Railways .. .. .	..	
0	9 4	Released Sinking Fund Suspense .. .. .	..	
2,020	0 0	Trustee Act, 1883 .. .. .	..	
..	..	Thermal-springs District Act, 1881 .. .. .	31 13 4	
64,292	5 7			43,367 11 11
80,000	5 6	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	91,175 15 4	
300	0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	194 15 0	
34,811	3 9	In London .. .. .	26,144 12 5	117,515 2 9
115,111	9 3			
£179,403	14 10	Totals .. .. .	..	£160,882 14 8

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the PUBLIC

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1897.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
241,153 1 8	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	54,432 16 8	
76,271 11 2	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
31,218 8 8	In the Colony .. .. . £104,185 19 2		
	In London .. .. . 22,478 2 1		
348,643 1 6		126,664 1 3	181,096 17 11
	The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896—		
625 0 0	Proceeds of debentures .. .. .	125,000 0 0	
5 12 6	Premium received in respect of same .. .. .		
..	Temporary advance on security of short-dated debentures .. .. .	100,000 0 0	225,000 0 0
630 12 6			
830 15 9	Special Receipts in connection with the Ellesmere and Forsyth Reclamation and Akaroa Railway Trust Account .. .. .	..	753 13 10
..	Further amount transferred from Consolidated Fund in terms of section 16 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897" .. .. .	..	25,000 0 0
..	Temporary advance from Consolidated Fund (repaid as per contra) .. .. .	..	50,000 0 0
36 13 4	Sinking Funds released,—		
430 12 9	"New Zealand Loan Act, 1856" .. .. .	..	
	"Auckland Loan Ordinance, 1863" .. .. .	..	
467 6 1			
£350,571 15 10		..	£481,850 11 9



## WORKS FUND for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.		EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
281	17 3	Annual Appropriations,—		
2,499	6 0	Class I.—Immigration .. .. .	Cr. 296	4 1
104,620	14 0	„ II.—Public Works, Departmental .. .. .	1,989	3 1
24,910	6 6	„ III.—Railways .. .. .	201,038	0 1
5,054	5 7	„ IV.—Roads .. .. .	94,784	10 5
..	..	„ V.—Development of Goldfields .. .. .	11,274	14 2
24,615	3 2	„ VI.—Purchase of Native Lands .. .. .	18,586	1 5
18,257	8 8	„ VII.—Telegraph Extension .. .. .	9,678	12 11
2,640	8 1	„ VIII.—Public Buildings .. .. .	37,865	18 0
26	4 2	„ IX.—Lighthouses, Harbour Works, and Harbour Defences .. .. .	1,784	12 2
9,812	17 9	„ X.—Rates on Native Lands .. .. .	73	19 10
		„ XI.—Contingent Defence .. .. .	2,404	6 6
192,718	11 2			379,183 14 6
490	12 5	Unauthorised,—		
..	..	Services not provided for .. .. .	1,169	4 9
		Temporary advance from Consolidated Fund repaid .. .. .	50,000	0 0
193,209	3 7			51,169 4 9
..	..	The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1896—		
		Charges and expenses of raising loan .. .. .	..	5 5 0
63,642	13 10	Balance at end of Quarter,—		
18,198	2 0	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	17,408	19 10
5,521	16 5	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
70,000	0 0	In the Colony .. .. .	£18,595	2 11
		In London .. .. .	15,488	4 9
		Investment Account .. .. .	..	..
157,362	12 3		34,083	7 8
£350,571	15 10	Totals .. .. .	..	51,492 7 6
				£481,850 11 9

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE LAND FOR

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
23,816 10 5	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	253 2 1	
2,737 16 2	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	1,173 19 2	1,427 1 3
26,554 6 7			
104,690 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under— "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894" .. .. .	..	30,000 0 0
9,399 4 7	Receipts derived from— Rents and Lease-fees .. .. .	..	12,179 7 1
£140,643 11 2	Totals .. .. .	..	£43,606 8 4

SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.	EXPENDITURE.			QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d. Cr. 122 6 5	Annual Appropriations,— Vote 112, Land for Settlement Expenses .. .. .			£ s. d.	£ s. d. 392 5 8
	Acquirement of Estates, and expenses incidental thereto :—				
	Estate.	Purchase-money.	Incidental Expenses.		
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
65,646 4 2	Albury .. .. .	.. .. .	1 1 0	1 1 0	
1,697 12 2	Ardgowan .. .. .	.. .. .	8 5 2	8 5 2	
29,217 14 7	Arowhenua .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
.. .. .	Beaumont .. .. .	.. .. .	41 18 8	41 18 8	
207 12 10	Blind River .. .. .	.. .. .	5 14 0	5 14 0	
10 0 0	Braco .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
591 9 4	Elsthorpe .. .. .	.. .. .	170 6 10	170 6 10	
27 9 0	Hatuma .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
.. .. .	Hekeao (trustees W. S. Peters) .. .. .	10,545 5 0	248 17 6	10,794 2 6	
58 13 3	Highbank .. .. .	.. .. .	42 11 6	42 11 6	
20,119 3 1	Horsley Down .. .. .	.. .. .	141 15 7	141 15 7	
2 18 1	Kapua .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
2 10 6	Maerewhenua .. .. .	.. .. .	5 14 10	5 14 10	
95 12 2	Marawiti .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
640 11 7	Merivale .. .. .	.. .. .	0 16 0	0 16 0	
3 2 6	Myrtle Bank (Momona) .. .. .	.. .. .	0 11 5	0 11 5	
.. .. .	Okauia (Assets Realisation Board) .. .. .	4,143 12 1	.. .. .	4,143 12 1	
55 1 1	Omaka .. .. .	.. .. .	3 16 0	3 16 0	
.. .. .	Omihi Stock Reserve .. .. .	.. .. .	2 5 10	2 5 10	
3 3 0	Opouriao .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
20 5 10	Orakipaoa .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
29 9 5	Otarakaro .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
0 19 2	Otaio .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
.. .. .	Otahu .. .. .	.. .. .	235 19 8	235 19 8	
11 0 3	Paparangi .. .. .	.. .. .	539 16 11	539 16 11	
0 18 0	Pareora .. .. .	.. .. .	1 4 0	1 4 0	
36 19 8	Patoa .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
.. .. .	Pawaho (C. Menzies) .. .. .	1,823 12 6	13 7 1	1,836 19 7	
255 18 4	Poerua .. .. .	.. .. .	85 11 0	85 11 0	
346 8 9	Pomahaka .. .. .	.. .. .	473 3 11	473 3 11	
7,779 12 6	Pouparae .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
.. .. .	Puketapu .. .. .	.. .. .	1 7 9	1 7 9	
.. .. .	Rangitea (Assets Realisation Board) .. .. .	14,014 0 0	.. .. .	14,014 0 0	
189 8 9	Raureka .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
.. .. .	Roimata .. .. .	.. .. .	53 3 4	53 3 4	
.. .. .	Teanaraki .. .. .	.. .. .	11 12 0	11 12 0	
77 11 5	Tokarahi .. .. .	.. .. .	1 1 3	1 1 3	
.. .. .	Tomoana .. .. .	.. .. .	1 8 8	1 8 8	
26 7 3	Waihemo Grange .. .. .	.. .. .	1,721 17 8	1,721 17 8	
61 16 11	Waimarie .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	
25 12 3	Wharenui .. .. .	.. .. .	56 0 0	56 0 0	
127,241 5 10		30,526 9 7	3,869 7 7		34,395 17 2
.. .. .	Land exchanges under section 4 .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	22 4 6
120 0 0	Unauthorised—	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
127,361 5 10	Albury Estate .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
8,690 0 0	Debentures matured 31st March, 1897, and reissued .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
3,751 9 2	Balance at end of Quarter,—	.. .. .	.. .. .	8,689 18 10	.. .. .
963 2 7	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
.. .. .	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—	.. .. .	.. .. .	106 2 2	.. .. .
.. .. .	In the Colony .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	8,796 1 0
4,714 11 9		.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
£140,643 11 2	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	£43,606 8 4

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE CHEVIOT

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1897.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1,056 12 7	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	1,173 15 3	
..	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	201 10 6	1,375 5 9
	Advances in hand of Officers of the Government—		
	In the Colony .. .. .		
	Receipts under "The Cheviot Estate Disposition Act, 1893,"—		
203 4 0	Land Sales for Cash .. .. .	275 0 0	
4,594 8 8	Rents from Lands .. .. .	5,535 18 8	
302 12 5	Shipping and Port Charges .. .. .	322 12 6	
22 10 0	Interest on Advances .. .. .	22 10 0	
4 14 9	Miscellaneous .. .. .	..	
5,127 9 10	Recoveries on account of expenditure of previous quarter .. .. .	..	6,156 1 2
..			132 7 9
£6,184 2 5	Totals .. .. .	..	£7,663 14 8

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONVERSION

2,730 11 3	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	28,379 15 6	
	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .		
	Advances—		
232 4 6	In the hands of Stock Agents—		
	Cash .. .. .	£593 8 10	
17 3 2	In the hands of Agent-General—		
	3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock .. .. .	75,000 0 0	
2,979 18 11		75,593 8 10	103,973 4 4
2,550 0 0	3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—		
	Issued in exchange for Debentures .. .. .	..	..
26,620 0 0	3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—		
	Issued in exchange for debentures .. .. .	..	103,535 0 0
0 5 3	In reduction of Conversion Expenses,—		
	Premium on sale of Stock above par .. .. .	..	629 17 0
£32,150 4 2	Totals .. .. .	..	£208,138 1 4

ESTATE ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.	EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d. 5,466 2 7 330 8 5	Interest .. .. . Surveys, Roading, &c. .. .. .	£ s. d. 6,815 16 3 50 1 11	£ s. d. 6,865 18 2
5,796 11 0			
7 4 0	Appropriations,— Vote 111.—Cheviot Estate Expenses .. .. .	..	797 16 6
55 16 8	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	
324 10 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	..	..
380 7 5			
£6,184 2 5	Totals .. .. .	..	£7,663 14 8

ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

Debtures converted into 3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—		Original Amount.	Rate.	Premium.	Converted Stock.		
		£	£				
..	Consolidated Loan Act, 1867	2,000	105	100	2,100		
		500	107	95	535		
			2,500				
..	Otago Loan Act, 1862, due 1st July, 1898	..	900	100	900		
..	Consolidated Stock, Act, 1884, due 28th May, 1898	..	100,000	100	100,000		
26,620 0 0	Land for Settlements Act, 1894, due April, 1926 ..	..	..	..	..		
		103,400		135		103,535 0 0	103,535 0 0
Debtures converted into 3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—							
2,500 0 0	Consolidated Loan Act, 1867—At £102	..	..	..	..	..	..
50 0 0	Premium thereon .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
2,550 0 0							
Debtures redeemed,—							
100 0 0	Auckland Loan Act, 1863, due 1st June, 1896	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act, 1894, due 30th September, 1908 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	100,000 0 0	100,000 0 0
Expenses Account,—							
85 2 6	Brokerage and commission .. .. .	..	..	..	..	88 10 0	
1,044 9 2	Stamp Duty .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1,361 3 9	
98 6 8	Interest (overlap) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	321 6 7	
79 5 5	Office Expenses .. .. .	..	..	..	..	146 13 8	
	Miscellaneous .. .. .	..	..	..	..	143 5 0	
1,307 3 9							2,060 19 0
Balance at end of Quarter,—							
1,103 10 6	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2,288 5 11	
469 9 11	Advances— In the hands of Stock Agents— Cash .. .. .	..	..	..	..	253 16 5	2,542 2 4
1,573 0 5							
£32,150 4 2	Totals .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	£208,138 1 4

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LOANS TO LOCAL

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1897.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1898.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
18,498 16 6	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	10,911 16 0	
1,322 10 6	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony .. .. .	5,757 5 10	16,669 1 10
19,821 7 0			
22,800 0 0	The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886— Debentures created .. .. .	..	34,400 0 0
	Refunds under section 8 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1886,"—		
165 19 6	County Pahiatua .. .. .	70 18 5	
78 1 11	" Stratford .. .. .	..	
55 0 0	" Patea .. .. .	..	
299 1 5	Manawatu Road Board .. .. .	94 9 3	165 7 8
	Featherston Road Board .. .. .		
	Amount charged to Unauthorised in previous quarter now charged under Act, necessary steps having been completed,— Hawke's Bay County .. .. .	..	6,000 0 0
£42,920 8 5	Totals .. .. .	..	£57,234 9 6

## STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE of the NEW

2,895 0 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
293,600 0 0	Cash in Deposit Account .. .. .	4,450 0 0	
	Investment Account .. .. .	301,700 0 0	306,150 0 0
295,935 0 0			
1,470 0 0	Deposits inscribed .. .. .	..	50,035 0 0
£297,405 0 0	Totals .. .. .	..	£356,185 0 0

The Treasury, Wellington, 26th April, 1898.

RAILWAY RECEIPTS examined and found correct.

C. HUDSON,

Assistant General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

CUSTOMS REVENUE examined and found to agree with the Collectors' Cash-books.

W. T. GLASGOW,

Secretary and Inspector of Customs.

TERRITORIAL REVENUE RECEIPTS examined and found correct.

W. WEST KNOWLES,

For Auditor of the Land Revenue Accounts.

BODIES ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1897.			EXPENDITURE.						QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.		
£	s.	d.							£	s.	d.
			Payments to—								
			Counties,—								
..	..	..	Cheviot .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1,100	0	0	
225	0	0	Clifton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	100	0	0	
800	0	0	Cook .. .. .	..	..	..	..	878	0	0	
3,100	0	0	Hawera .. .. .	..	..	..	..	775	0	0	
..	..	..	Hawke's Bay .. .. .	..	..	..	..	6,000	0	0	
400	0	0	Horowhenua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	170	0	0	
730	0	0	Hutt .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
90	0	0	Kiwitea .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1,050	0	0	Manawatu .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	Ohinemuri .. .. .	..	..	..	..	5,000	0	0	
1,775	0	0	Pahiatua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	750	0	0	
513	0	0	Pohangina .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	Raglan .. .. .	..	..	..	..	600	0	0	
1,102	0	0	Rangitikei .. .. .	..	..	..	..	500	0	0	
750	0	0	Stratford .. .. .	..	..	..	..	3,750	0	0	
10,535	0	0							19,623 0 0		
			Boroughs,—								
..	..	..	Dannevirke .. .. .	..	..	..	..	500	0	0	
160	0	0	Pahiatua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Road Boards,—								
605	0	0	Eketahuna .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
110	0	0	Frankley .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	Manchester .. .. .	..	..	..	..	604	0	0	
1,200	0	0	Manganui .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1,400	0	0	
..	..	..	Masterton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	800	0	0	
..	..	..	Mauriceville .. .. .	..	..	..	..	50	0	0	
1,590	0	0	Moa .. .. .	..	..	..	..	300	0	0	
190	0	0	Otaki .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	Parihaka .. .. .	..	..	..	..	400	0	0	
..	..	..	Seatoun .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1,000	0	0	
300	0	0	Taratahi-Carterton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
188	0	0	Turanga .. .. .	..	..	..	..	300	0	0	
..	..	..	Upper Taueru .. .. .	..	..	..	..	895	0	0	
1,583	0	0	Waimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	Waipipi .. .. .	..	..	..	..	250	0	0	
..	..	..	Waiwakaiho .. .. .	..	..	..	..	450	0	0	
..	..	..	Wirokino .. .. .	..	..	..	..	545	0	0	
5,766	0	0							6,994 0 0		
			Drainage Boards,—								
..	..	..	Aorangi Land .. .. .	..	..	..	..	500	0	0	
..	..	..	Otakia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	100	0	0	
152	0	0							600 0 0		
			Unauthorised,—								
..	..	..	Pohangina County .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
16,613	0	0							27,717 0 0		
			Appropriations,—								
..	..	..	Vote 113.—Roads and Bridges .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
26,308	18	4							7,539 6 7		
			Balance at end of Quarter,—								
3	10	1	Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	..	..	..	21,826	19	11	
..	..	..	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	In the Colony .. .. .	..	..	..	..	151	3	0	
..	..	..							21,978 2 11		
£42,920	8	5	Totals .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
									£57,234 9 6		

ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1898 and 1897, respectively.

5	0	0	Balance at end of Quarter,—						85	0	0
297,400	0	0	Cash in Deposit Account .. .. .	..	..	..	..	356,100	0	0	
..	..	..	Investment Account .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..							356,185 0 0		
£297,405	0	0	Totals .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
									£356,185 0 0		

JAMES B. HEYWOOD,  
Secretary to the Treasury.  
ROBERT J. COLLINS,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

The foregoing accounts have been examined and found correct, except as regards the "Customs," "Railways," and "Territorial Revenue" receipts, which are not now examined by the Audit Office; but, as regards the receipts of gold revenue, the Audit Office is unable to satisfactorily verify them, through the failure of the Mines Department to comply with a requisition for a certified statement of the amounts collectible as such revenue.

J. K. WARBURTON,  
Controller and Auditor-General.

## SUMMARY of BALANCES on 31st MARCH, 1898.

		BALANCES.				CASH.	ADVANCES.	INVESTMENTS.	TOTAL.
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
<b>CONSOLIDATED FUND:—</b>									
Ordinary Revenue Account ..	1,251,144 6 10*					780,580 3 7	49,164 3 3	421,400 0 0	1,251,144 6 10
State Forests Account ..	16,417 17 3					16,417 17 3	..	..	16,417 17 3
Accounts of Local Bodies ..	10,188 4 10					7,754 1 2	2,434 3 8	..	10,188 4 10
Deposit Accounts ..	117,515 2 9					91,175 15 4	26,339 7 5	..	117,515 2 9
		1,395,265	11 8			895,927 17 4	77,937 14 4	421,400 0 0	1,395,265 11 8
<b>PUBLIC WORKS FUND .. ..</b>		51,492	7 6			17,408 19 10	34,083 7 8	..	51,492 7 6
<b>LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT ..</b>		8,796	1 0			8,689 18 10	106 2 2	..	8,796 1 0
<b>CONVERSION ACCOUNT .. ..</b>		2,542	2 4			2,288 5 11	253 16 5	..	2,542 2 4
<b>LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT ..</b>		21,978	2 11			21,826 19 11	151 3 0	..	21,978 2 11
<b>NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT ..</b>		356,185	0 0			85 0 0	..	356,100 0 0	356,185 0 0
<b>REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT ..</b>		Dr. 770,000	0 0			Cr. 770,000 0 0	..	..	Cr. 770,000 0 0
<b>Totals .. ..</b>		£1,066,259	5 5			£176,227 1 10	£112,532 3 7	£777,500 0 0	£1,066,259 5 5

\* Against this, Treasury Bills amounting to £730,000 are outstanding.



Vital Statistics, April, 1898.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the month of April, 1898:—

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the under-mentioned Boroughs, during the month of April, 1898.

BOROUGHES.	Population of Principal Boroughs, with all their Suburbs, Census, April, 1896.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1898.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN APRIL, 1898.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, April, 1898.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1897.
				Males.			Females.			Total Deaths.				
				Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.					
Auckland .. .. .	57,616	32,274	67	3	..	19	5	2	11	40	1.24	12.99		
Birkenhead .. .. .		720	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5.64		
Devonport .. .. .		3,205	2	1	..	..	4	2	..	..	7	2.18	8.63	
Newmarket .. .. .		2,041	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	1.47	12.53	
Newton .. .. .		2,580	11	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	1.16	6.18	
Parnell .. .. .		4,233	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	0.71	12.65	
Other suburbs .. .. .		*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	45,053	88	6	..	23	11	2	14	56	1.24	12.14		
Wellington .. .. .	41,758	40,220	73	6	1	16	7	..	5	35	0.87	12.03		
Karori .. .. .		1,038	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.76		
Melrose .. .. .		2,220	10	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.45	3.34		
Onslow .. .. .		1,313	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4.63		
Totals Wellington and suburbs	..	44,791	86	6	1	17	7	..	5	36	0.80	11.25		
Christchurch .. .. .	51,330	17,257	30	1	..	2	..	1	4	8	0.46	13.15		
Linwood .. .. .		6,348	13	..	..	2	..	..	4	6	0.95	11.47		
St. Albans .. .. .		6,265	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	0.32	9.42		
Sydenham .. .. .		10,630	26	..	..	4	1	1	3	9	0.85	10.63		
Woolston .. .. .		2,228	6	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	0.90	9.30		
Other suburbs .. .. .		*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs		..	42,728	80	2	..	8	1	2	14	27	0.63	11.54	
Dunedin .. .. .	47,280	23,323	50	4	..	11	1	..	7	23	0.99	11.81		
Caversham .. .. .		4,829	9	..	..	7	..	..	..	7	1.45	15.59		
Maori Hill .. .. .		1,548	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.65	6.56		
Mornington .. .. .		3,787	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	0.26	6.04		
North-east Valley .. .. .		3,515	5	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	1.14	10.17		
Roslyn .. .. .		4,219	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.24	8.10		
St. Kilda .. .. .		1,294	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1.61		
South Dunedin .. .. .		4,762	10	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	0.42	9.46		
West Harbour .. .. .		1,395	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	1.43	5.05		
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	..	48,672	89	6	..	21	2	1	11	41	0.84	10.45		

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

Deaths occurring at hospitals, of persons not residents of the borough wherein the hospital is situated, have been allotted in each case to the borough where the disease was contracted, and not to that in which the death actually took place.

The total births in the above boroughs amounted to 343, against 394 in March, a decrease of 51. The deaths in April were 160, a decrease of 47 on the number in March. Of the total deaths, males contributed 90, females 70. Forty-seven of the deaths were of children under 5 years of age, being 29.37 per cent. of the whole number; 41 of these were under 1 year of age. There were 31 deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Six men, 65 (two), 68, 69, 70, 77, and four women, 74, 75, 79, 92, died at Auckland; two men, 74, 85, and one woman, 65, at Wellington; two men, 78, 79, and two women, 82 (two), at Christchurch; and ten men, 65 (two), 67, 68, 72, 77, 78, 80, 83, 86, and four women, 66, 77, 79, 82, at Dunedin.

THE following Table shows the Causes of the Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from each Cause, in the Boroughs above given, registered during the Month of April, 1898.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I.	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	11	6	5	2	..	2	2	2	30	18.75
II.	Parasitic Diseases .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III.	Dietetic Diseases .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	0.62
IV.	Constitutional Diseases .. .. .	..	6	1	7	..	10	1	10	35	21.88
V.	Developmental Diseases .. .. .	2	2	2	..	1	3	2	3	15	9.38
VI.	Local Diseases .. .. .	6	16	4	8	1	7	1	16	59	36.88
VII.	Violence .. .. .	..	7	..	4	1	..	..	1	13	8.12
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes .. .. .	..	..	2	1	2	..	2	..	7	4.37
	Totals .. .. .	19	37	14	22	5	22	9	32	160	100.00



	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		TOTAL.	
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.										
ORDER 1:—										
<i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>										
Fall of Earth .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Run over by Cart .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Wound of Finger .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Injury to Hand .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Burns .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Drowned .. .. .	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
ORDER 3:—										
<i>Suicide,—</i>										
Cut Throat .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 4:—										
<i>Execution,—</i>										
Hanging .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.										
Marasmus, &c. .. .. .	..	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	..	6
Found Dead .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Totals .. .. .	19	37	14	22	5	22	9	32	160	

In the first table are given the deaths and death-rates for each of the four cities, for the suburban boroughs severally, and for each city with its suburban towns. As regards Auckland and Christchurch, the whole of the area usually recognised as suburban has not yet been brought under municipal government, and the vital statistics do not deal with such portions as still remain in road districts. But the omission is not very important, for there are in either case quite enough suburbs included within borough boundaries to give a fair idea of the death-rate of Greater Auckland and Greater Christchurch. As further boroughs are formed the vital statistics will be made to include them.

The inclusion of the suburban boroughs tends to lower the death-rate at Wellington and Dunedin, but raises it at Christchurch. The rates for April are,—

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Population.	
Auckland City .. .. .	1.24	
" and five suburban boroughs .. .. .	1.24	
Wellington City .. .. .	0.87	0.80
" and three suburban boroughs .. .. .	0.80	
Christchurch City .. .. .	0.46	0.63
" and four suburban boroughs .. .. .	0.63	
Dunedin City .. .. .	0.99	0.84
" and eight suburban boroughs .. .. .	0.84	

Including the suburbs, the rate at Auckland is the highest and at Christchurch the lowest.

Compared with April, 1897, the results are,—

	April, 1897.	April, 1898.
Auckland and suburbs .. .. .	0.92	1.24
Wellington and suburbs .. .. .	1.01	0.80
Christchurch and suburbs .. .. .	1.12	0.63
Dunedin and suburbs .. .. .	0.99	0.84

*Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases.*—The deaths in this class at the four cities and suburbs again fell in number during April: in February the number was 53, in March 43, and in April only 30. Deaths from influenza fell from 22 in February and 8 in March to 4 in April—2 at Auckland and 2 at Dunedin. From typhoid fever there were 8 deaths last month—4 at Auckland, 2 at Wellington, and 2 at Christchurch. In deaths from diarrhoeal diseases the decrease last month is noticeable: of these, there were 26 in March, against 17 in April—11 at Auckland, 4 at Wellington, and 2 at Dunedin. There was one death of a child from congenital syphilis.

*Constitutional Diseases.*—Of 35 deaths, phthisis contributed 18, cancer 11, rheumatism 3.

*Local Diseases.*—Diseases of the nervous system caused 11 deaths; of organs of special sense, 2; of circulatory system, 9; of respiratory, 12; of digestive, 17; of urinary, 5; of reproductive, 3: total, 59 deaths.

*Violent Deaths.*—There were 10 accidental deaths, 1 suicide, and 2 deaths by hanging—execution of criminals. A labourer was killed by fall of earth; a child run over by a cart; a boy killed by poisoned wound of finger; a labourer by injury to hand; a girl by exhaustion from burns. A labourer, a teacher, an upholsterer, a brewer, and another adult male, were drowned. A woman cut her throat, and two labourers were hanged in due process of law.

The subjoined table shows the mortality for the last two months at each of the four centres from six principal specific febrile or zymotic diseases, and also the deaths from certain inflammatory diseases of the lungs. These causes of death have been distinguished from the others of the classes to which they belong as being the most important special diseases which give rise to sudden increases in the death-rates of towns, and the prevalence of which is closely connected with sanitary condition and climatic influence of the season on health.

Towns	SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.												PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES.							
	Measles.		Scarlet Fever.		Typhoid and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping-cough.		Diarrheal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	11	12	2	..	..	..	1	1	1	..
Wellington and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4	10	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..
Christchurch and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	4	..	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	1	1	1	1	3	..	..
Totals .. ..	..	..	..	..	8	5	..	..	..	..	17	26	4	4	1	1	3	8	1	..

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BOROUGHES.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1898.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN APRIL, 1898.									Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, April, 1898.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1897.
			Males.			Females.								
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.						
Thames .. ..	5,500	19	2	..	4	..	..	1	7	1.27	11.64			
New Plymouth .. ..	4,081	5	..	1	2	..	..	1	4	0.98	10.49			
Napier .. ..	9,388	29	2	..	3	2	..	..	7	0.75	12.07			
Wanganui .. ..	6,103	18	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	0.82	11.53			
Palmerston North .. ..	6,143	18	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	0.49	7.40			
Blenheim .. ..	3,148	9	1	..	2	..	..	1	4	1.27	12.21			
Nelson .. ..	6,804	11	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	0.44	9.76			
Greymouth .. ..	3,319	14	..	..	2	..	..	1	3	0.90	14.87			
Hokitika .. ..	2,252	10	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	1.77	18.33			
Lyttelton .. ..	4,053	8	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	0.74	11.21			
Timaru .. ..	3,732	9	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	0.80	11.62			
Oamaru .. ..	5,309	5	2	..	1	..	..	3	6	1.13	8.68			
Invercargill .. ..	5,689*	9	..	..	1	..	..	2	3	0.53	8.94			

\* At the census taken in April, 1896, the population of Invercargill and suburbs was 9,996 persons.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,  
Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR APRIL, 1898.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	LINCOLN, CANTERBURY.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in shade for month*	61.1	57.2	54.2	52.6
Average same month previous years* ...	61.7	57.0	53.8	51.9
Maximum Temperature in shade, and date*	74.0 on 14th	71.0 on 3rd	82.3 on 5th	85.0 on 5th
Minimum Temperature in shade, and date*	45.0 on 24th	41.0 on 20th, 24th	35.2 on 19th, 29th	38.0 on 15th
Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* ..	130.0 on 9th	124.0 on 3rd	128.0 on 5th	122.0 on 5th
Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date*	42.0 on 24th	30.0 on 20th, 24th	31.4 on 18th	35.0 on 26th
Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) ..	72	76	72	74
Average same month previous years ...	76	76	77	75
Total Rainfall, in inches .. ..	0.970	5.625	0.500	1.854
Average same month previous years ...	2.828	3.526	1.803	2.194
Number of Days of Rain .. ..	8	12	6	10
Average same month previous years ...	12	10	7	12

\* Fahrenheit.

NOTE.—This table is prepared from unchecked averages, transmitted by telegraph in anticipation of the full returns, and must not be entirely relied on for compiling Meteorological Statistics.

Meteorological Office, Wellington, 6th May, 1898.

JAMES HECTOR,  
Director.

## Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CON MELVILLE and LAWRENCE DONNELL, trading as "Melville and Donnell," late of Queen Street, Auckland, Restaurant-keepers, Bakers, and Confectioners, were this day adjudged bankrupts on creditors' petition; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 10th day of May, 1898, at 2.30 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,  
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 29th April, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM WOODLOCK, late of Auckland, Caterer, was this day adjudged bankrupt on creditors' petition; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1898, at 2.30 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,  
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 4th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that MARY JANE WOODLOCK, wife of William Woodlock, late of Auckland, Caterer, was this day adjudged bankrupt on creditors' petition; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1898, at 2 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,  
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 4th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES BENJAMIN CARPENTER, of Khandallah, near Wellington, Builder, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 13th day of May, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 6th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS VIPOND PROCTOR, of Wellington, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Saturday, the 14th day of May, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 7th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that TASMAN STEINMÜLLER, of Kaiwarra, near Wellington, Tinsmith, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 16th day of May, 1898, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 9th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM JOE GETT, of Wellington, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 18th day of May, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 11th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EUGENE MCCARTHY, of Wellington, Clerk, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 18th day of May, 1898, at 12 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 11th May, 1898.

*In Bankruptcy.*

NOTICE is hereby given that a first and final dividend, of 3s. 8½d. in the pound, upon all proved debts in the estate of WALTER CURTIS, Tailor, Blenheim, a bankrupt, will be paid at my office on and after Friday, the 6th day of May, 1898.

R. W. H. D. DUNN,  
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that TIMOTHY KELLY, of Westport, Draper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 12th day of May, 1898, at 3 o'clock p.m.

A. D. BAYFIELD,  
Deputy Official Assignee.

Westport, 4th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD A. BRASCH and WALTER RAPHAEL, both of Greymouth, Dentists, carrying on business as "E. Brasch and Co.," were this day adjudged bankrupts; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 16th day of May, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

G. S. SMITH,  
Deputy Official Assignee.

Greymouth, 2nd May, 1898.

*In Bankruptcy.*

In the matter of the bankruptcy of DONALD GRANT WATT, of St. Andrew's, Builder.

I HEREBY give notice that, having filed the necessary affidavit in Court, it is intended to hold a public examination of the above-named bankrupt in the District Court, Timaru, on the 18th day of May, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

ALEX. MONTGOMERY,  
Deputy Official Assignee.

Timaru, 6th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES HEATH, of Dunedin, Preserver, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 9th day of May, 1898, at 2.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,  
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 5th May, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that STEPHEN JOSE, of Invercargill, Cabman, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 10th day of May, 1898, at 2.30 o'clock.

CHARLES ROUT,  
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 4th May, 1898.

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

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 Wednesday, the 25th day of May, 1898, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1898.

James L. P. Howell, Clerk, Riverton.  
David McDonald, Farmer, Edendale.  
John Stevenson, Drover, Gore.  
Patrick Duggan, Rabbitier, Mandeville.  
John Steele Brown, Farmer, Waimatuku.  
James Gray, Gardener, Invercargill.  
Jessie McKenzie, Storekeeper, Kapuka.  
Robert Meldrum, Labourer, Kapuka.  
Frederick Gould, Tailor, Invercargill.  
Alexander Jenkins, Dealer, Invercargill.

CHARLES ROUT,  
Deputy Official Assignee.

## Mining Notices.

## "THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Hauraki Peninsula Exploration Gold-mining Company (Limited) has been transferred from Legal Chambers, Queen Street, to Curran Street, Ponsonby, at which latter place the business of the said company will be conducted in future.

Dated at Auckland, this 30th day of April, 1898.

BASLEY AND BRUCE,  
Solicitors for the Hauraki Peninsula Exploration  
Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
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## THE NEW ZEALAND EXPLORATION COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the New Zealand Exploration Company (Limited) intends to cease to carry on business in the Colony of New Zealand at the expiration of three months from the first publication of this notice.

Dated at Auckland, this 18th day of April, 1898.

R. R. HUNT,  
Attorney.  
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I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Maori Point Sluicing Company (No Liability) as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be the Maori Point Sluicing Company (No Liability).

2. The place of operations is on the Greenstone Creek, near Kumara, in the Provincial District of Westland.

3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury.

4. The value of the company's property, including claim, leased ground, and machinery, is seven thousand five hundred pounds.

5. The number of shares in the company is thirty thousand, of one pound each.

6. The number of shares subscribed for is thirty thousand.

7. The name of the Manager is Harry Aulsebrook Bruce.

8. The names, addresses, and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follow:—

	No. of Shares.
Barnett, William, Christchurch, Chemist ..	1,500
Bruce, H. A., Christchurch, Legal Manager ..	200
Foster, T. S., Christchurch, Schoolmaster ..	200
O'Grady, John, Greymouth, Miner ..	3,425
O'Grady, William, Greymouth, Miner ..	3,375
Davies, T. G., Greymouth, Miner ..	500
Humphreys, George, Christchurch, Merchant ..	440
Jennings, Edward, Christchurch, M.D. ..	1,000
Lord, E. J., Greymouth, Surveyor ..	100
Ritchie, G. B., Christchurch, Solicitor ..	825
Ryan, Patrick, Greymouth, Miner ..	3,375
Ryan, Martin, Greymouth, Miner ..	3,425
Nicholl, A. F., Christchurch, Law Clerk ..	420
Speight, Robt., Christchurch, Schoolmaster ..	500
Scott, W. B., Christchurch, Builder ..	440
Sloman, C. J., Christchurch, Brewer ..	1,400
Trent, James, Christchurch, Gentleman ..	1,800
Verschoyle, W. D., Greymouth, Engineer ..	4,175
Verschoyle, Barnett and Trent, Christchurch ..	2,500
Walton, Wm., Christchurch, Teacher ..	400
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>30,000</b>

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1898.

H. A. BRUCE,  
Manager.

Witness to signature—George Harris, Solicitor, Christchurch.

I, Harry Aulsebrook Bruce, of Christchurch, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended company.

2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular.

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

H. A. BRUCE.

Taken at Christchurch, this 2nd day of May, 1898, before me—George Harris, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 556

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT WATER-RACE.

Otago Mining District,  
25th April, 1898.

To the Warden at Waikaia.

WE hereby give notice that we intend to construct a water-race to divert and use water for mining purposes, commencing at a point marked by a post situate on line of Race No. 2390/96, about midway between pegs 273 and 274 on such race-line, and terminating at a point marked by a post situate between pegs Nos. 280 and 281 of same race-line.

The length of such race is 36 chains 75 links or thereabouts, and its intended course is from north to south for 18 chains, thence east to west, through Section 18, Block II., Nokomai, the property of one Thomas Muirhead.

The mean depth of such race is 4 ft., and the mean breadth is 5 ft., and it is proposed to divert forty Government heads of water.

Cost of construction: £150.

Time required for construction: Twelve months.

Number and date of miner's right (consolidated): 28172; 15th December, 1897.

THE LION GOLD-MINING CO. (LTD.),  
Applicant.  
(R. T. STEWART, Agent.)

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

Hearing at 10 o'clock a.m. on the 31st day of May, 1898.

P. J. HERLIHY,  
Pro Warden.

Warden's Office,  
25th April, 1898.

Rec'd at 10 a.m.—P. J. H.

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## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Otago Gold-dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 20th May, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary:

Dunedin; A. G. Fenwick.

Nominal capital: £4,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,000.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,500.

Number of shares allotted: 4,000.

Amount paid per share: £1 on 2,000 shares.

Amount called up per share: £1 on 2,000 shares.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 46.

Number of men employed by company: 6.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 889 oz.; £3,446.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,697 oz.; £6,572.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,087.

Total expenditure since registration: £5,152.

Total amount of dividends declared: £1,900.

Total amount of dividends paid: £1,900.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £330 14s. 9d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £177.

I, A. G. Fenwick, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Otago Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. G. FENWICK,  
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1898, before me—W. Laurence Simpson, J.P. 555

**S**TATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Crown Dredging Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st December, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Dunedin; A. G. Fenwick.  
 Nominal capital: £3,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,300.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,300.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £200.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,500.  
 Number of shares allotted: 3,500.  
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 3,300 shares.  
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 3,300 shares.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.  
 Present number of shareholders: 54.  
 Number of men employed by company: 7.  
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 56 oz.; £216.  
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 56 oz.; £216.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £506.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,370.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £894.

I, A. G. Fenwick, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Golden Crown Dredging 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, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. G. FENWICK,  
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1898, before me—W. Laurence Simpson, J.P. 554

**S**TATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The O.P.Q. (Waipori) 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: 1st April, 1897.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Princes Street, Dunedin; Alfred Edward Inder.  
 Where mine is situate: At Waipori, Otago.  
 Nominal capital: £150,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed in colony: Nil.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders in colony, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders in colony on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.  
 Number of shares on Colonial Register: Nil.  
 Amount paid 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: 38.  
 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 in colony: Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations in colony during the preceding year: £5,613 7s. 6d.  
 Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £11,536 12s. 1d.  
 Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £409 10s. 8d.  
 Amount of cash in hand in colony: Nil.  
 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, Alfred Edward Inder, of Dunedin, the Attorney of the O.P.Q. (Waipori) Gold-mines (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of March, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. E. INDER,  
 Attorney.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of April, 1898, before me—Thos. M. Wilkinson, J.P. 552

**S**TATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Caledonian Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th July, 1897; 14th October, 1897.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's office, Panama Street, Wellington; Charles Adolphus Deacon.  
 Nominal capital: £40,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £40,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £166 13s. 4d.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders: 10s. per share (£20,000).  
 Amount of cash received for same: Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 10s. per share (£20,000).  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 40,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 40,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 1d.  
 Amount called up per share: 1d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 8.  
 Present number of shareholders: 13.  
 Number of men employed by company: 5.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £419 16s. 11d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £419 16s. 11d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £124 4s. 7d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £47 19s.

I, Charles Adolphus Deacon, of Wellington, the Manager of the Caledonian Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

CHAS. A. DEACON,  
 Manager.

Declared at Wellington, this 12th day of May, 1898, before me—John Jack, J.P. 559

## Land Transfer Act Notices.

**A**PPPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a Provisional Crown Lease, in the name of **FREDERICK MICKLESON**, of Palmerston North, Farmer, for Section 17, Block IV., Tiriraukawa Survey District, being the land comprised in Crown lease, Vol. 5A, folio 81, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said Crown lease, I hereby give notice that I will issue the Provisional Crown Lease as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 26th day of May, 1898.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

560 **W. STUART**,  
District Land Registrar.

**N**OTICE 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 *Gazette* containing this notice.

7664. **JOHN MATHERS**.—82 acres 1 rood 22 perches, parts of Rural Section 1455, Rangiora Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8255. **JAMES PONSONBY**.—1 acre and 32 perches, part of Rural Section 917, Borough of Rangiora. Occupied by John McAleer.

8256. **HERBERT WRIGHT** and **FREDERICK ADOLPHUS WATERMAN** (Executors of **ENOCH COLE**, deceased).—105 acres and 31 perches, Rural Sections 1748, 2082, and 2654, and parts of Rural Sections 1749, 2576, and 8051, Oxford Survey District. Occupied by Applicants.

8258. **MICHAEL KEANE**.—64 acres, Rural Sections 4074 and 9298, Kowai Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8260. **WILLIAM JOHN HANNA**.—94 acres, Rural Sections 9278 and 9279, Block IX., Teviotdale Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

561 **G. G. BRIDGES**,  
District Land Registrar.

## Private Advertisement.

the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Cook Island Trading Company (Limited).

**N**OTICE is hereby given that the Office, or place of business, of the above-named company has been removed from 31, Palmerston Buildings, Auckland, to Brown, Campbell, and Co.'s Buildings, 31, Shortland Street, Auckland.

**PERCY BROWN**,  
Manager.

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Solicitors for the Company.

Dated at Auckland, this 7th day of April, 1898. 557

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