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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of October, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD ALLOTMENTS.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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SEAWARD BUSH TOWNSHIP.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.		s. d.		£ s. d.	
		4	1	36	4	0	0
92	II.	A. R. P.		s. d.		£ s. d.	
Bush land, good soil; situated about a quarter of a mile from Seaward Bush siding. Burdened with valuation for improvements, consisting of house, clearing, fencing, and garden, £79. Limit of holding in this village, 10 acres.							

MORLEY VILLAGE.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.		s. d.		£ s. d.		
		21	0	0	1	7	2	0	16	10
3	IV.	A. R. P.		s. d.		£ s. d.		
Situated about one mile from Nightcaps Railway-station. Open land; soil fair. Burdened with valuation for improve-								

ments, consisting of house, garden, and fencing, £16. Limit of holding in this village, 25 acres.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

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

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Thursday, the 5th day of January, 1899.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Native Land proposed to be taken for a Gravel-pit in Block VII., Heretaunga Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of October, 1898.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken for a public work, to wit, for the purposes of a gravel-pit, and road leading thereto, in Block VII., Heretaunga Survey District:

And whereas the said lands are held or occupied by Native owners under a title which is not derived from the Crown: And whereas a map in duplicate has been prepared of the said lands by the Hawke's Bay County Council, as required by the eighty-eighth section of "The Public Works Act, 1894":

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by the eighty-eighth section of the said Act, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare that the land shown upon such map, and described in the Schedule hereto, shall be deemed to be taken for the purposes of the said gravel-pit, and road thereto, and the said land shall vest in the Hawke's Bay County Council, as from the fifteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Part of	Situated in Block No.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked
A. B. P. 1 0 34	Waiohiki No. 12 Block	VII.	Heretaunga	S.G. 39416.

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the said parcel of land is more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Notice of Intention to define the Purpose of a Reserve in the Township of Seddonville.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the fifth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is amongst other things enacted that, in the case of any public reserve now vested in Her Majesty or the Governor, whether the same be granted or not, such reserves not being for one of the purposes comprised in Class I., if there shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be any doubt or uncertainty as to the purpose for which such reserve was set apart, the Governor may, by notice gazetted, define such purpose or purposes as to either the whole or any part of such reserve:

And whereas the land described in the Schedule hereto was reserved on the eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, for public buildings: And whereas it is expedient to define the specific purpose for which such land shall hereafter be set apart:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," aforesaid, declare my intention to define the specific purpose of the reserve described in the Schedule hereto to be a site for the house of the Railway Stationmaster.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 26 perches, more or less, being Section No. 130 of the Township of Seddonville.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the Governor may declare his intention to make, change, exchange, or alter the dedication of any public reserve now or hereafter vested in Her Majesty or the Governor for any of the purposes named in Class II. of the Schedule to the said Act, whether the same be granted or not; if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to change the purpose of such reserve or any part thereof from the purpose or presumed purpose for which it was set apart to any other purpose, or if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to exchange any of the land comprised in such reserve for other land of equal value, to be dedicated to one or more purposes named in the said Class II., the Governor may, by notice gazetted, declare his intention to make such change, exchange, or dedication, as the case may be, and in such notice declare the manner and terms in which the same is intended to be so made:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," aforesaid, declare my intention to change the specific purpose of the reserve described in the Schedule hereto from a public-hall site to a site for a Mechanics' Institute and Library.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 3, Block VI., Taihape Township.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WESTLAND COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

Survey District.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price per Acre.	Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent per Acre.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent per Acre.
Bruce Bay	IV.	A. R. P.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Karangarua	I.	500 0 0	7 6	0 4.5	0 3.6

Bush country; broken terraces thickly covered with birch, and well watered; close to sea at mouth of Karangarua River.

Karangarua | V. | 350 0 0 | 7 6 | 0 4.5 | 0 3.6
Island in Karangarua River bed; stony ground; liable to flood; six miles from sea-beach; light bush and scrub.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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.	
				A.	R. P.	Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Wallace ..	Taringatura ..	296	..	120	3 34	10 0	60 10 0	0 6	1 10 3	0 4 8	1 4 3
" ..	" ..	297	..	185	0 26	10 0	92 10 0	0 6	2 6 3	0 4 8	1 17 0
" ..	" ..	298	..	268	2 36	10 0	134 7 6	0 6	3 7 3	0 4 8	2 13 9
" ..	" ..	299	..	319	3 38	10 0	160 0 0	0 6	4 0 0	0 4 8	3 4 0
" ..	" ..	300	..	200	0 0	10 0	100 0 0	0 6	2 10 0	0 4 8	2 0 0

Situated about twelve miles from Nightcaps Railway-station. Open river-flat land, mostly covered with silver-tussock; shingly. The sections are burdened with valuation for fencing as follows: Section 296, £6 9s.; Section 297, £5 5s.; Section 298, £7 8s.; Section 299, £3; and Section 300, £8 5s.

Southland | Otago .. | 42 | VI. | 340 0 0 | 10 0 | 170 0 0 | 0 6 | 4 5 0 | 0 4 8 | 3 8 0
 Situated about nine miles from Fortrose; road cleared, but not formed, to south-west corner of section. Clay soil, covered with peat in places; bush land, the timber consisting of miro, kamai, and rimu.

Southland | Waikawa .. | 18 | IV. | 227 0 0 | 10 0 | 113 10 0 | 0 6 | 2 16 9 | 0 4 8 | 2 5 5
 Situated about six miles from Waikawa Township. Contains 60 acres flat land, and is covered with light bush, with heavy undergrowth; well watered. Burdened with £50, valuation for improvements, consisting of house, £90; clearing and grass, £20.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
 Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Wellington for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Village of Rakaunui.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
13	0 1 0	5 0 0
14	0 1 0	4 0 0

These allotments are situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road. Land is level, covered with forest. The country land surrounding the village has been taken up in farms of 200 acres each.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
 Minister of Lands.

Altering the Name of the Town of Birmingham.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by sections two and three of "The Designation of Districts Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor in Council may, at the request or with the consent of the Council of any county, city, or borough, alter the geographical name or designation of any place or locality in the colony:

And whereas the Kiwitea County Council has requested that the present name of "Birmingham," within the County of Kiwitea, be altered as hereinafter mentioned, and it appears expedient to comply with such request:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby proclaim and declare that the Township of Birmingham, in the County of Kiwitea aforesaid, shall, on and after the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, be called and known by the name of "Kimbolton," and the name of the said Township of Birmingham is hereby altered accordingly.

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

R. J. SEDDON.

Approved in Council.

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

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Regulations under "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," for the Election of Members of Boards by Contributory Local Authorities in Grouped Districts.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by section six of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act 1885 Amendment Act, 1886," it is provided that the Governor, by Order in Council, shall, before the month of November next ensuing, and at the same period in every third year thereafter, apportion the representation of the various contributory local authorities in any district on the Board of such district in the manner therein set forth:

And whereas it is necessary that regulations shall be made for the elections of members of the Boards of such districts by such contributory local authorities as are grouped together in terms of the above-mentioned section:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers vested in him by section ninety-nine of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," doth hereby make and prescribe the regulations hereinafter set forth for the conduct of the said recited elections, and the proceedings incidental thereto, namely:—

REGULATIONS.

1. The local authorities named in the first column of the Schedule hereto shall have respectively the number of votes set opposite them in the second column of the said Schedule, and their representative or representatives shall meet at the time and place set opposite the names of such local authorities in the third and fourth columns of the said Schedule respectively to elect such member or members as have been apportioned to such local authorities by Order in Council of the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

2. The Presiding Officer to conduct the election in each case shall be the person named in the fifth column of the said Schedule, opposite the name of each local authority. Any local authority may, if it think fit, send only one representative to such election, and such representative shall then be entitled to exercise the full number of votes which such local authority is given by regulation one aforesaid.

3. Any local authority may appoint, by writing under the hand of the Chairman or Mayor, as the case may be, any person or persons residing at or near the place of meeting as aforesaid to be its representative or representatives at such meeting, and such representative or representatives shall be entitled to exercise the full number of votes which such local authority is given by regulation one.

4. In case any contributory local authority shall not send a representative to such election, the representative or representatives of the local authority or authorities present at the meeting called for such election shall elect the member or members which such local authorities together are entitled to have, and that either at the meeting then held, or at a subsequent meeting to be specially convened for the purpose by the Presiding Officer of such first-mentioned meeting.

5. The Presiding Officer at every meeting of local authorities as aforesaid shall make a return in writing to the Secretary of the Board to which any member has been elected, setting forth the names of the person or persons elected to serve as members of such Board. The Secretary shall thereupon notify the Inspector of Hospitals of the result of such election or elections for publication in the *Gazette*, and such publication shall be deemed to be *prima facie* evidence that the persons named therein were duly elected in terms of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885."

6. In the event of the number of votes on each side at any election being equal, the Presiding Officer shall give a casting-vote.

Schedule.

Local Authority.	No. of Votes.	Hour of Meeting on 23rd Nov., 1898.	Place of Meeting.	Presiding Officer.		
<i>District of North Auckland—</i>						
Mongonui County Council	2	2 p.m.	Mongonui County Council Office, Mongonui	Clerk of Mongonui County Council.		
Whangaroa County Council	1	"				
Whangarei County Council	4	"			Whangarei County Council Office, Whangarei	Clerk of Whangarei County Council.
Whangarei Borough Council	1	"				
<i>District of Auckland—</i>						
Rodney County Council	1	11 a.m.	Office of Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, Auckland	Thomas Ussher.		
Waitemata County Council	2	"				
Devonport Borough Council	1	"				
Boards of the road districts in Eden County	1 each	1 p.m.	Office of Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, Auckland	Thomas Ussher.		
Boards of the road and town districts in Manukau County	1 each	12 noon	Public Hall, Otahuhu ..	Augustus James Shackell.		
Onehunga Borough Council	4	2 p.m.	Office of Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, Auckland	Thomas Ussher.		
Parnell Borough Council	4					
Newmarket Borough Council	2					
Birkenhead Borough Council	1					
Newton Borough Council	8					
<i>District of Waikato—</i>						
Piako County Council	4	2 p.m.	Piako County Council Office, Te Aroha	County Clerk.		
Te Aroha Borough Council	1	"				
<i>District of Taranaki—</i>						
Stratford County Council	4	11 a.m.	County Council Office, Stratford	William George Malone.		
Stratford Borough Council	1	"				
<i>District of Wanganui—</i>						
Wanganui Borough Council	4	12 noon	Borough Council Chamber, Wanganui	Town Clerk, Wanganui.		
Marton Borough Council	1	"				
<i>District of Palmerston North—</i>						
Manawatu Road Board	2	12 noon	Office of Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, Palmerston North	R. N. Keeling.		
Fitzherbert Road Board	1	"				
Kiwitea County Council	2	12.15 p.m.	Office of Manchester Road Board, Feilding	Charles Bray.		
Pohangina County Council	1					
Foxton Borough Council	2					
Feilding Borough Council	4	"	Office of Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, Palmerston North	R. N. Keeling.		
Halcombe Town Board	1					

Schedule—continued.

Local Authority.	No. of Votes.	Hour of Meeting on 23rd Nov., 1898.	Place of Meeting.	Presiding Officer.
<i>District of Wellington—</i>				
Melrose Borough Council	2	1 p.m.	Melrose Borough Council Chamber, Wellington	Town Clerk, Melrose.
Onslow Borough Council	1	"		
Karori Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Petone	Town Clerk, Petone.
Petone Borough Council	1	"		
Lower Hutt Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Nelson—</i>				
Borough Council of the City of Nelson	4	3 p.m.	City Council Chamber, Nelson	Ambrose Eyles Moore.
Richmond Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of North Canterbury—</i>				
Kaikoura County Council	1	1 p.m.	Amuri County Council Office, Culverden	Amuri County Clerk.
Amuri County Council	1	"		
Cheviot County Council	1	"	County Council Office, Duvauchelle	County Clerk.
Akaroa County Council	2	3 p.m.		
Akaroa Borough Council	1	"	Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board Office, Rangiora	Clerk of Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board.
Boards of the road and town districts in Ashley County	1 each	2 p.m.		
Rangiora Borough Council	1	3 p.m.	Provincial Council Chamber, Christchurch	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court.
Kaipoi Borough Council	1	"		
Lyttelton Borough Council	2	"	Selwyn County Council Office, Christchurch	Clerk of the Selwyn County Council.
St. Albans Borough Council	3	"		
Linwood Borough Council	4	2.15 p.m.	Selwyn County Council Office, Christchurch	Clerk of the Selwyn County Council.
Woolston Borough Council	2	"		
Sumner Borough Council	1	"		
New Brighton Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of South Canterbury—</i>				
Waimate County Council	4	1 p.m.	Waimate County Council Office, Waimate	County Clerk.
Waimate Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Tuapeka—</i>				
Lawrence Borough Council	2	12 noon	Courthouse, Lawrence ..	Clerk of the Court.
Roxburgh Borough Council	1	"		
Tapanui Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Central Otago—</i>				
Alexandra Borough Council	1	2 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Alexandra	Town Clerk, Alexandra.
Cromwell Borough Council	1	"		
Naseby Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Otago—</i>				
Clutha County Council	4	1 p.m.	Clutha County Council Office, Balclutha	County Clerk.
Balclutha Borough Council	1	"		
Bruce County Council	4	7.30 p.m.	Bruce County Council Office, Milton	County Clerk.
Milton Borough Council	1	"		
Kaitangata Borough Council	1	"	Taieri County Council Office, Mosgiel	County Clerk.
Taieri County Council	4	2 p.m.		
Mosgiel Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Maori Hill	Town Clerk, Maori Hill.
Green Island Borough Council	1	"		
Maori Hill Borough Council	1	8 p.m.	Town Hall, Caversham ..	Town Clerk, Caversham.
North-east Valley Borough Council	2	"		
Roslyn Borough Council	3	"	Waihemo County Council Office, Palmerston	Waihemo County Clerk.
Caversham Borough Council	1	7.30 p.m.		
Mornington Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, St. Kilda	Town Clerk, St. Kilda.
Waihemo County Council	1	8 p.m.		
Waikouaiti County Council	2	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Court.
Boards of the road districts in Peninsula County	1 each	7 p.m.		
St. Kilda Borough Council	2	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Court.
South Dunedin Borough Council	4	"		
West Harbour Borough Council	2	2 p.m.	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Court.
Port Chalmers Borough Council	3	"		
Palmerston Borough Council	1	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
Hawksbury Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Southland—</i>				
Lake County Council	4	12 noon	Lake County Council Office, Queenstown	J. Black.
Arrowtown Borough Council	1	"		
Queenstown Borough Council	2	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
Riverton Borough Council	2	11 a.m.		
Winton Borough Council	1	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
Campbelltown Borough Council	2	"		
Gore Borough Council	4	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
Mataura Borough Council	2	"		
Stewart Island County Council	1	12 noon	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
Avenal Borough Council	1	"		
East Invercargill Borough Council	2	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
North Invercargill Borough Council	2	"		
South Invercargill Borough Council	3	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Richard Bouchier.
Gladstone Borough Council	1	"		

Schedule—continued.

Local Authority.	No. of Votes.	Hour of Meeting on 23rd Nov., 1898.	Place of Meeting.	Presiding Officer.
<i>United District of Patea and Wanganui—</i>				
Patea County Council	4	2 p.m.	Patea County Council Office, Patea	Edward Charles Horner.
Patea Borough Council	1	"		
Wanganui Borough Council	4	12.15 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Wanganui	Town Clerk, Wanganui.
Marton Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Wairarapa and Wellington—</i>				
Horowhenua County Council	1	1 p.m.	Hutt County Council Office, Lambton Quay, Wellington	Clerk of the Hutt County Council.
Hutt County Council	2	"		
Melrose Borough Council	2	1.15 p.m.	Melrose Borough Council Chamber, Wellington	Town Clerk, Melrose.
Onslow Borough Council	1	"		
Karori Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Masterton	Town Clerk, Masterton.
Petone Borough Council	2	"		
Lower Hutt Borough Council	2	1 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Masterton	Town Clerk, Masterton.
Pahiatua County Council	3	"		
Pahiatua Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Masterton	Town Clerk, Masterton.
Masterton Borough Council	3	"		
Carterton Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Masterton	Town Clerk, Masterton.
Greytown Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Waipawa and Hawke's Bay—</i>				
Woodville Borough Council	1	2 p.m.	Dannevirke Council Chambers	Samuel Johnson.
Dannevirke Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Ashburton and North Canterbury—</i>				
Kaikoura County Council	1	1.15 p.m.	Amuri County Council Office, Culverden	Amuri County Clerk.
Amuri County Council	1	"		
Cheviot County Council	1	3.15 p.m.	County Council Office, Duvauchelle	County Clerk.
Akaroa County Council	2	"		
Akaroa Borough Council	1	2.15 p.m.	Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board Office, Rangiora	Clerk of Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board.
Boards of the road and town districts in Ashley County	1 each	"		
Rangiora Borough Council	1	3.15 p.m.	Provincial Council Chamber, Christchurch	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court.
Kaipoi Borough Council	1	"		
Lytelton Borough Council	2	2 p.m.	Selwyn County Council Office, Christchurch	Clerk of the Selwyn County Council.
St. Albans Borough Council	3	"		
Linwood Borough Council	4	2 p.m.	County Council Office, Ashburton	County Clerk.
Woolston Borough Council	2	"		
Sumner Borough Council	1	2.30 p.m.	County Council Office, Ashburton	County Clerk.
New Brighton Borough Council	1	"		
Ashburton County Council	4	"	County Council Office, Ashburton	County Clerk.
Ashburton Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Central Otago, Tuapeka, and Otago—</i>				
Vincent County Council	4	8 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Roxburgh	Town Clerk of Roxburgh.
Alexandra Borough Council	1	"		
Cromwell Borough Council	1	"	County Council Office, Naseby	County Clerk.
Roxburgh Borough Council	1	"		
Tapanui Borough Council	1	4 p.m.	Courthouse, Lawrence ..	Clerk of the Court.
Maniototo County Council	4	"		
Naseby Borough Council	1	12.30 p.m.	County Council Office, Milton	County Clerk.
Tuapeka County Council	4	"		
Lawrence Borough Council	1	7.45 p.m.	County Council Office, Balclutha	County Clerk.
Bruce County Council	4	"		
Milton Borough Council	1	1.15 p.m.	County Council Office, Mosgiel	County Clerk.
Kaitangata Borough Council	1	"		
Clutha County Council	4	2.15 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Maori Hill	Town Clerk, Maori Hill.
Balclutha Borough Council	1	"		
Taieri County Council	4	8.15 p.m.	Town Hall, Caversham ..	Town Clerk, Caversham.
Green Island Borough Council	1	"		
Mosgiel Borough Council	1	7.45 p.m.	Waihemo County Council Office, Palmerston	Waihemo County Clerk.
Maori Hill Borough Council	1	"		
North-east Valley Borough Council	2	3.15 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, St. Kilda	Town Clerk, St. Kilda.
Roslyn Borough Council	3	"		
Caversham Borough Council	1	7.15 p.m.	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
Mornington Borough Council	1	"		
Waihemo County Council	1	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
Waikouaiti County Council	2	"		
Boards of the road districts in Peninsula County	1 each	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
St. Kilda Borough Council	2	"		
South Dunedin Borough Council	4	2.15 p.m.	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
West Harbour Borough Council	2	"		
Port Chalmers Borough Council	3	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
Palmerston Borough Council	1	"		
Hawksbury Borough Council	1	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
Hawksbury Borough Council	1	"		

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

W. C. WALKER

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM FORREST

to be the Deputy of the Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the District of Whangaroa.

J. CARROLL.

Inspector of Mines under "The Mining Act, 1891," appointed.

Mines Department,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HAYES, Esq.,

to be an Inspector of Mines under section 21 of "The Mining Act, 1891," as from the 31st October, 1898.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

Inspector of Mines under "The Coal-mines Act, 1891," appointed.

Mines Department,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HAYES, Esq.,

to be an Inspector of Mines for the Canterbury, Otago, and Southland Districts, under section 18 of "The Coal-mines Act, 1891," as from the 31st October, 1898.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

Member of Board of Examiners under "The Inspection of Machinery Act Amendment Act, 1894," appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 7th November, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance of the power and authority conferred by section 2 of "The Inspection of Machinery Acts Amendment Act, 1898,"

PETER SETON HAY

has been appointed a member of the Board of Examiners constituted under section 5 of "The Inspection of Machinery Act Amendment Act, 1894," to act as a member whilst the Inspecting Engineer of the Mines Department or the Chief Inspector of Machinery is absent from Wellington or is unable to attend the meeting of the Board.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Appointment of Cadet in Office of Chief Inspector of Machinery.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 3rd November, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that

JAMES FURLONG

has been appointed a cadet in the office of Chief Inspector of Machinery, as from the 27th April, 1898.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Clerk in Office of Chief Inspector of Machinery appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 7th November, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that

JOSEPH HUGH MCALISTER

has been appointed a clerk in the office of the Chief Inspector of Machinery, as from the 1st instant.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Stamp Officer appointed.

Head Office, Stamp Department,
Wellington, 7th November, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES HENRY WALTER DIXON, Esq.,

to be Assistant Registrar of Joint-Stock Companies, under "The Companies Act, 1882," for the District of Poverty Bay, such appointment to take effect on and from the 4th day of November, 1898.

J. CARROLL,
Commissioner of Stamps.

Licensing Officer under "The Arms Act, 1880," appointed.

Police Department,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable WILLIAM HENRY RYAN,

of the New Zealand Police Force, to be a Licensing Officer under "The Arms Act, 1880."

T. THOMPSON.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

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

ALEXANDER DALZIELL, Esq.,

of Hunterville, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace for the Colony.

T. THOMPSON.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Lum Kee	Storekeeper ..	Marton.

J. CARROLL.

Special Order made by the Kaiti Road Board, County of Cook.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

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

J. CARROLL.

KAITI ROAD DISTRICT BOARD.

SPECIAL ORDER, made on the 2nd Day of November, 1898, confirming a Resolution passed by the above-named Board, striking a Special Rate in Terms of the Provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

RESOLVED, "That a special rate of 3d. in the pound be struck upon all rateable property within the Kaiti Road Board District, as defined in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 29th September, 1887, page 1248, for the period of twenty-six years commencing 1st December, 1898, and ending 30th November, 1924, for the purpose of providing interest on a loan of the sum of £2,000, to be obtained in terms of 'The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886,' and 'The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,' to carry out the particular public works set forth in a proposal agreed to by a resolution of the rate-payers of the said district at a poll taken on 17th September, 1898. The said special rate shall be a recurrent rate for the period stated, and shall be due and payable in two equal instalments on the 1st day of December and June in each year. This special order shall take effect upon the date the same is published in the *New Zealand Gazette*."

I, George Matthewson, Chairman of the Kaiti Road Board, hereby certify that the special order of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly passed at a meeting of the said Road Board held this 2nd day of November, 1898.

G. MATTHEWSON,

Chairman of Kaiti Road Board.

Gisborne, 2nd November, 1898.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of Hawera.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th November, 1898.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Hawera, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

J. CARROLL.

HAWERA BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Hawera, 4th November, 1898.

SIR,—I, Charles Edwin Major, Mayor of the Borough of Hawera, in the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, pursuant to section 184 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," give you notice that, on the 2nd day of November, 1898, a poll of the burgesses of the said Borough of Hawera was taken, under the provisions of the said Act, on a proposal of the Council of the said borough to borrow the sum of £36,500 by way of special loan under the provisions of the said Act, a copy of which proposal is next hereinafter set out.

Hawera Borough Council.

"Special Loan for Water-supply and Drainage System, General Improvements, and Repayments of Borough Loan and Office Building Loan.

"1. The particular works proposed to be undertaken: 1, water-supply, £22,166; 2, drainage system, £7,170; 3, general, street, and improvements, £3,264; 4, repayment of existing loans, £3,900.

"2. The sum proposed to be borrowed for such purposes: £36,500, as set forth above.

"3. The security for such loan proposed to be pledged is a special rate of 2s. 6d. in the pound on all the rateable property within the borough; the rents accruing from Sub-allotments 1 to 8 of Allotment 7 of Section 19 in the Borough of Hawera; and a water-rate to be levied under section 325 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

"Dated this 20th day of September, 1898.

C. E. MAJOR,
Mayor."

And I also give you notice that the number of votes recorded upon the taking of the said poll for and against the said proposal was as follows: Number of voters on roll, 381; number of votes exercisable, 504: Number of voters for proposal, 281; number of votes for proposal, 394; number of voters against proposal, 8; number of votes against proposal, 11; number of voters not voting, 89; number of votes not exercised, 96; number of informal votes, 3.

Yours, &c.,
C. E. MAJOR,
Mayor.

To the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Declaration.

In the matter of a loan for water-supply, drainage system, general, street, and improvements, and repayment of existing loans, and a proposal by the Hawera Borough Council to borrow the sum of £36,500 for such purposes under Part IX. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," I, Charles Edwin Major, of High Street, in the Borough of Hawera, in the Colony of New Zealand, Mayor of the said borough, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—

1. That all proceedings, as required by the above-named Act, to be taken towards obtaining the sanction of the burgesses of the said Borough of Hawera to a proposal of the Council of the said borough to raise the sum of £36,500, by way of special loan under the provisions of the said Act, have been duly taken.

2. That, upon a poll of the said burgesses taken on the said proposal on the 2nd day of November, 1898, the said proposal was duly carried within the meaning of the above-named Act.

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

C. E. MAJOR,
Mayor of Hawera.

Declared at Hawera, this 4th day of November, 1898, before me—W. A. Parkinson, J.P., Journalist, Hawera.

Result of Poll as to bringing Part V., "Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," into force.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th November, 1898.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the City of Wellington, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897."

J. CARROLL.

In the matter of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," and of Part IX. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

To the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I, JOHN RUTHERFORD BLAIR, Mayor of the City of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, pursuant to the provisions of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," and section 184 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886,"

give you notice that, on the 26th day of October, 1898, a poll was taken under the provisions of the said Acts, on a proposal of the Council of the said city to adopt Part V. of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897." The following is a copy of the proposal.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL.

Proposal to adopt Part V. of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897."

Whereas by section 9 of the above Act it is provided that Part V. of that Act shall come into force if and when a proposal to bring the same into force shall be carried at a poll of the citizens:

And whereas the said Part V. gives powers to the Council to take, or purchase, or otherwise acquire lands for widening, diverting, altering the course of, and extending streets, private streets, and rights-of-way in the city, together with land to any depth on either or both sides of any such widened, altered, or diverted street, private street, or right-of-way, or of any such extension of street, private street, or right-of-way, and power to extend streets, private streets, and rights-of-way, and to borrow moneys by special loan, and sell or lease surplus lands, and to take over private streets and rights-of-way, and provides as to the application of rents and sale-moneys, and that the total amount of special rates levied in connection with any such loans shall not at any time exceed 2½d. in the pound, and makes provision as to other matters:

Now notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Wellington proposes that Part V. of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," shall come into force.

Dated this 17th day of September, 1898.

J. E. PAGE,
Town Clerk.

And I also give you notice that the numbers of votes recorded, upon the taking of the said poll, for and against the said proposal were as follows: For the proposal, 207 votes; against the proposal, 37 votes; majority for the proposal, 170 votes. And, it being provided by the first above-mentioned Act that the said proposal was to be deemed carried if a majority of three-fifths of the votes given on the taking of the said poll should be in favour of the said proposal, I hereby further give you notice that the said proposal of the Council of the City of Wellington was duly carried upon the taking of the said poll.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1898.

J. R. BLAIR,
Mayor of Wellington.

In the matter of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," and of Part IX. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

I, John Rutherford Blair, of Wellington Terrace, in the City of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, Mayor of the said city, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—

1. That all the proceedings which by the joint operation of the above-named Acts were required to be taken in or towards obtaining the sanction of the citizens of the said City of Wellington to a proposal of the Council of the said city to adopt Part V. of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," which proposal is set out in the voting-paper hereunto annexed and marked with the letter A, have been duly taken.

2. That, upon a poll of the said citizens taken on the said proposal on the 26th day of October, 1898, the said proposal was duly carried within the meaning of the above-named Acts (read together).

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

J. R. BLAIR,
Mayor.

Declared at the City of Wellington, this 3rd day of November, 1898, before me—T. F. Martin, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.

A.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL.

Proposal to adopt Part V. of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," upon which a Poll will be taken upon the 26th Day of October, 1898.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL.—PROPOSAL TO ADOPT PART V. OF "THE WELLINGTON CITY EMPOWERING ACT, 1897."—

Whereas by section 9 of the above Act it is provided that Part V. of that Act shall come into force if and when a proposal to bring the same into force shall be carried at a poll of the citizens: And whereas the said Part V. gives powers to the Council to take, or purchase, or otherwise acquire lands for widening, diverting, altering the course of, and extending streets, private streets, and rights-of-way in the city,

together with land to any depth on either or both sides of any such widened, diverted, or altered street, private street, or right-of-way, or of any such extension of street, private street, or right-of-way, and power to extend streets, private streets, and rights-of-way, and to borrow moneys by special loan, and sell or lease surplus lands, and to take over private streets and rights-of-way, and provides as to the application of rents and sale-moneys, and that the total amount of special rates levied in connection with any such loans shall not at any time exceed 2½d. in the pound, and makes provisions as to other matters: Now notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Wellington proposes that Part V. of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," shall come into force.

Dated this 17th day of September, 1898.

J. E. PAGE,
Town Clerk.

1. I vote for the above proposal.
2. I vote against the above proposal.

N.B.—The voter must erase the line marked 2 if he wishes to vote for the proposal, and the line 1 if he wishes to vote against it.

This is the voting-paper marked A referred to in the annexed declaration of John Rutherford Blair, made before me this 3rd day of November, 1898—T. F. Martin, a Solicitor, &c.

Public Notice under "The Orchard and Garden Pests Act, 1896."—Notice No. 528.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 3rd November, 1898.

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

Sections 37 and 42, Block VIII., Katikati Survey District. The property of John Thornton, of Dundas, New South Wales, and at present occupied by James Boyd, as caretaker.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

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

IN pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling me under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and any amendment thereof, and also of "The Government Railways Act, 1894," I, Alfred Jerome Cadman, the Minister for Railways, do hereby make the following alterations in the scale of fares, rates, and charges in force on the New Zealand Government railways open for traffic, such alterations to come into force on and after the 14th day of November, 1898:—

PART III.—GOODS REGULATIONS.

AUCKLAND INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

Exhibits consigned for exhibition at the Auckland Industrial Exhibition, to be held at Auckland in December, 1898, will be carried free on the New Zealand Government railways, provided that they shall be so carried at the sole risk of the consignors, and that each package shall be consigned to the Secretary of the Exhibition, and marked legibly "For exhibit at Auckland Industrial Exhibition." Loading and unloading must be done at the expense of the consignors. In the event of such exhibits being sold the full railway charges must be paid.

Exhibits returning will be conveyed free, provided no sale or exchange has been effected. A certificate to this effect must be provided, signed by the Secretary of the Exhibition, before the goods can be received for transit free of charge.

PART IV.—GOODS: LOCAL RATES.

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

Sulphuric acid, locally manufactured, consigned direct from factory at Burnside Cattle-yards to Islington, Belfast, Christchurch, and Woolston, will be charged Class D. Minimum quantity, 5 tons per truck.

Returned empty sulphuric-acid carboys, packed, consigned from Woolston, Christchurch, Belfast, and Islington, direct to Acid-works at Burnside Cattle-yards, will be charged 15s. per ton. Minimum charge, 30s. per truck.

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

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister for Railways.

Result of Road Board Election.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th November, 1898.

THE following notice of the election of a member of a Road Board has been received at this office, and is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Maungatawhiri Road District, County of Manukau:
James Gilles Rutherford.

Commissioner's Decisions under Tariff Acts.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 8th November, 1898.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Hon. the Commissioner of Trade and Customs has decided to interpret the Customs and Excise Duties Acts in relation to the under-mentioned articles as follows:—

NOTE.—"Not otherwise enumerated" appears as n.o.e.; "other kinds" as o.k.; "articles and materials suited only for, and to be used solely in, the fabrication of goods in the colony" as a. & m.s. Articles marked thus * are revised decisions.

Articles, and how classed.	Rate of Duty.
*98/1100. Graphophones and gramophones; as fancy goods and toys	20 per cent;
98/1290. Hand wheel-ploughs, "Iron Age"; as ploughs	Free.
98/1207. Keen's cement; as cement	2s. the barrel.
*98/1100. Kinetoscopes; as fancy goods and toys	20 per cent.
98/1092. Mackintosh covers for printing-machines, when imported with the machines; as printing-machines	5 per cent.
98/1092. Mackintosh covers for printing-machines, when imported separately; as articles made up from textiles	25 per cent.
*98/1100. Phonographs; as fancy goods and toys	20 per cent.
98/1119. "Sanitary tablets" (Lever and Co.'s, City of Sydney); as disinfectants	Free.
98/1128. Stair-pads of felt; as n.o.e.	Free.
98/1198. Toe-shields, metal; as heel- and toe-plates	22½ per cent.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Commissioner's Order No. 602.]

Tenders for Mail-service, Springfield to Kumara.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 8th November, 1898.

FRESH sealed tenders will be received at the Chief Post-office, Christchurch, until Wednesday, the 16th instant, for the conveyance of mails by four-horse coach between Springfield and Kumara for a period of three years, from the 1st January, 1899, to 31st December, 1901.

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

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

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

As this mail-route may be shortened by railway extension, the Postmaster-General may terminate the contract on giving one month's previous notice in writing, or may reduce the subsidy in proportion to the number of miles the service may be shortened by the length of railway opened or extended.

The successful tenderer shall take over the working-plant and horses used in the performance of the contract by the outgoing contractor at valuation, one valuer each to be appointed by the outgoing and incoming contractors. The valuers shall together appoint an umpire, whose decision shall be binding on all parties.

Tenders should be indorsed "Tender for Mail-service, Springfield to Kumara."

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

Government Observatory.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations, Wellington, for the month of October, 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.					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.				
1	29-916	59-0	49-0	54-0	79	39	..001	440	2	N.W.
2	29-900	59-0	41-0	50-0	83	31	..	180	2	N.W.
3	29-769	60-0	49-5	54-7	89	39	..	340	3	N.W.
4	29-500	61-5	47-8	54-6	79	38	..	420	4	N.W.
5	29-358	55-0	39-5	47-2	103	29	..	350	4	N.W.
6	29-729	58-0	37-0	47-5	110	25	..110	260	3	W.
7	29-568	57-0	47-0	52-0	108	39	..	400	5	N.W.
8	29-453	60-0	54-0	57-0	108	45	..	500	4	N.W.
9	29-530	62-5	52-0	57-2	112	43	..	520	5	S.
10	29-668	55-0	48-0	51-5	90	38	..010	150	6	S.
11	29-795	50-5	38-0	44-2	70	30	..020	70	5	N.E.
12	29-800	58-0	47-0	52-5	118	35	..003	190	5	N.W.
13	29-819	62-0	44-8	58-4	89	35	..040	180	2	N.W.
14	29-948	65-0	44-0	54-5	125	33	..	110	3	N.W.
15	29-924	61-0	51-0	56-0	120	39	..	190	5	S.E.
16	29-750	62-5	52-0	57-2	121	40	..	210	5	N.W.
17	29-704	64-5	51-3	57-9	116	39	..	140	5	N.W.
18	29-737	60-0	48-0	54-0	100	39	..140	430	5	S.E.
19	29-764	62-0	46-0	54-0	118	34	..	120	2	N.W.
20	29-266	64-0	51-5	57-7	110	41	..210	630	5	N.W.
21	29-749	65-0	42-0	53-5	120	29	..	110	2	N.W.
22	29-963	64-0	47-0	55-5	120	33	..	190	2	N.W.
23	29-950	63-0	50-0	56-5	116	39	..	400	5	N.W.
24	29-799	60-3	49-0	54-6	105	39	..	150	5	N.E.
25	29-407	65-0	53-3	59-1	100	48	..170	50	3	N.E.
26	29-221	75-0	52-0	63-5	130	51	..780	140	7	S.E.
27	29-670	59-0	45-0	52-0	117	39	..570	220	4	N.W.
28	29-403	63-5	50-0	56-7	102	43	..	320	6	N.W.
29	29-520	58-0	51-0	54-5	100	46	..210	540	4	N.W.
30	29-340	60-0	52-0	56-0	118	49	..500	360	5	N.W.
31	29-301	58-0	49-0	53-5	115	43	..090	540	5	N.W.
*	29-652	60-8	47-7	54-2	105-8	38-3	2-854	285	4-1	..
†	29-845	..	..	53-6	..	..	4-370	..	..	..

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

NOTE.—The early part of month generally stormy from N.W., and light rain at intervals; fine during middle of month; towards end showers of rain and strong N.W. wind. Prevailing wind from N.W., and frequently strong. Small total rainfall. Lightning and distant thunder on night of 4th. Snow on near hills on 5th, and slight hail. Maximum temperature in shade 75°, minimum 37°; mean temperature of dew-point, 44°·1; mean humidity, 69.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

Bonus on Mineral Oil produced from Shale obtained in New Zealand.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that a bonus will be paid for the production of mineral oil under the following conditions:—

1. A bonus of 1s. per gallon (£5,000) will be paid on the first 100,000 gallons of mineral oil produced from shale obtained in the Colony of New Zealand, the oil to be of a quality approved of by Government, and to be sold at a price not exceeding 1s. a gallon at any port of shipment in the colony.
2. Notice of intention to claim the aforesaid bonus must be given in writing to the Colonial Secretary not later than the 31st December, 1899.
3. The claim must be made before the 30th June, 1900.
4. The first claimant who proves to the satisfaction of the Government that he has fulfilled all the conditions to be the recipient of the bonus.
5. The other conditions—as to quantity, priority, quality, and value—to be fulfilled to the satisfaction of an officer appointed for the purpose by the Government.

J. CARROLL.

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.

Examination for Mine-managers' and Battery-superintendents' Certificates.

Mines Department, Wellington, 31st October, 1898.

AN examination of candidates for certificates as First- and Second-class Mine-managers and Battery-superintendents under "The Mining Act, 1891," and Amendment Act, 1894, and First- and Second-class Mine-managers under "The Coal-mines Act, 1891," will be held on Tuesday, the 31st January, 1899, and three following days, at places to be hereafter named. All applications, with necessary certificates, and fee of £1, must be addressed to "The Secretary of the Board of Examiners under the Mining Act or Coal-mines Act, Wellington," and must be received before the 4th January, or they will not be dealt with until the following examination.

T. H. HAMER, Secretary to the Board of Examiners.

Civil Service Senior Examination.

Education Department, Wellington, 3rd September, 1898.

IN pursuance of regulations under "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," notice is hereby given that for the Senior Examination of January, 1900, the period of literature will be from 1744 to 1800, and the special books will be Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar" and Thackeray's "Esmond."

W. C. WALKER, Minister of Education.

Crown Lands Notices.

Small Grazing-run, Marlborough, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, 8th November, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease, upon application at this office, on Wednesday, the 4th January, 1899, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—TENNYSON SURVEY DISTRICT. Second-class Land.

Run No.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
100	{ 8 5	I. V.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
			1,057 0 0	0 2 4	5 5 8

Steep and broken country, principally covered with birch timber; situated at Nydia Bay, Pelorus Sound; well watered; accessible by bridle-track. Distance from Havelock, about thirty miles.

C. W. ADAMS, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Leases in the Township of Seddonville, Buller Coalfield Reserve, Nelson Land District, for Sale by Public Auction.

Warden's Office, Westport,
19th October, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the leases of the town lands enumerated below will be submitted to public auction by the Warden, at the Courthouse at Westport, on Wednesday, the 23rd November, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon, on the terms and conditions specified hereunder, a synopsis of the terms of the leases to be entered into by each purchaser being also given.

SCHEDULE.

No. of Section.	Street.	Area.	Upset Rent.	Assessed Value of Improvements.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2	Queen	0 0 29.9	1 0 0	500 0 0
3	"	0 0 23.3	1 0 0	30 0 0
4	"	0 0 26	1 0 0	30 0 0
5	"	0 0 28.7	1 0 0	230 0 0
6	"	0 0 31.4	1 0 0	90 0 0
7	"	0 0 34.2	1 0 0	
8	"	0 1 0.9	1 0 0	
9	"	0 1 3.6	1 0 0	
10	"	0 1 6.3	1 0 0	
11	"	0 1 9	1 0 0	120 0 0
12	"	0 1 11.7	1 0 0	
13	"	0 1 14.4	1 0 0	20 0 0
14	"	0 1 21.2	0 15 0	180 0 0
15	"	0 1 23.9	0 15 0	120 0 0
16	"	0 1 26.6	0 15 0	20 0 0
17	"	0 0 29.3	0 15 0	
18	"	0 0 32	0 15 0	
20	Mokihinui Road	0 1 0	0 15 0	
21	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
22	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
23	Queen	0 1 1.5	0 10 0	
24	"	0 1 4.2	0 10 0	
25	"	0 1 6.9	0 10 0	
26	"	0 1 9.6	0 10 0	
27	"	0 1 12.3	0 10 0	
28	"	0 1 15	0 10 0	
29	Mokihinui Road	0 1 0	0 10 0	80 0 0
30	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
31	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
32	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
33	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
34	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
35	Queen	0 1 6.4	0 10 0	
36	Bayfield	0 0 32	0 10 0	
37	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
38	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
39	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
40	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
43	Broome	0 0 32	0 10 0	
44	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
45	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
46	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
47	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
48	"	0 1 16.8	0 10 0	
49	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
50	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
51	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
52	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
53	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
54	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
55	Eugene	0 0 33.7	0 10 0	
56	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
57	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
58	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
59	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
62	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
63	"	0 1 7.3	0 10 0	
64	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
65	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
66	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
67	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
68	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
69	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
70	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
71	Alfred	0 0 26.1	0 10 0	
73	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
74	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
75	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
76	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
77	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
78	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
79	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	
80	"	0 1 18	0 10 0	

SCHEDULE—continued.

No. of Section.	Street.	Area.	Upset Rent.	Assessed Value of Improvements.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
81	Alfred	0 1 0	0 10 0	
82	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
83	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
84	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
85	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
86	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
87	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
88	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	25 0 0
90	Excelsior Road	0 1 15.9	0 10 0	
91	"	0 1 18.8	0 10 0	
92	"	0 1 21.8	0 10 0	
93	"	0 1 24.8	0 10 0	
94	"	0 1 27.7	0 10 0	
95	Halcyon Road	0 0 37.6	0 10 0	
96	"	0 0 32.9	0 10 0	
97	Grey	0 0 37.9	0 10 0	
98	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
99	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
100	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
101	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
102	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
103	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
104	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
105	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
108	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
109	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
110	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
111	"	0 1 0	0 10 0	
112	Gladstone	0 1 0	1 0 0	30 0 0
113	"	0 1 0	1 0 0	50 0 0
114	"	0 1 0	1 0 0	40 0 0
115	"	0 1 0	1 0 0	90 0 0
117	"	0 1 0	1 0 0	150 0 0
118	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	75 0 0
119	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	75 0 0
120	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
121	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
122	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
124	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	75 0 0
125	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
126	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
127	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
128	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	
129	"	0 1 0	0 15 0	

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- The highest bidder shall be the purchaser of the lease, and the amount bid shall be the annual rental thereof.
- The bidding shall be an increase on the upset rental, and shall advance at the rate of not less than 10 per cent.
- The purchaser shall forthwith deposit the sum of £1 10s. for the cost of survey and preparation of the lease, and also the first year's rent, being the amount of his bid.
- Should the purchaser of the lease fail to comply with the third condition hereof, or should any dispute arise, the lease shall be put up again and resold.
- The lease shall be executed by the purchaser within thirty days from the date of notice that it is ready for execution, or the right to lease shall become forfeited, and any deposit paid on account thereof shall become forfeited also.
- No person can purchase or hold a lease of more than one section.
- No married woman, not having obtained a decree of judicial separation or protection order, shall be capable of becoming a lessee, excepting under a will or an intestacy.

SYNOPSIS OF CONDITIONS OF LEASES.

- Term of lease, sixty-six years.
- Rents payable annually in advance.
- Leases not to be transferred or holdings subdivided or sublet without the consent of the Minister of Mines.
- No transfer will be allowed until lessee has been twelve months in legal occupation, and complied with the conditions of his lease.
- A fee of £1 1s. shall be paid for recording every transfer of any lease.
- The lessee will be required to occupy his leasehold in a *bona fide* manner for business purposes or residence within six months from the commencement of the term of lease.
- Any lessee who shall fail to comply with any of the conditions of lease in any respect shall, upon sufficient proof thereof to the satisfaction of the Warden of the district, forfeit his interest in the said lease and his right to hold the land thereunder.

H. ALDBOROUGH STRATFORD,
Warden.

Village-homestead Allotment in Nelson open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 29th September, 1898.

THE under-mentioned village-homestead allotment will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Wednesday, 14th December, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.
NELSON LAND DISTRICT.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Half-yearly Rent.
Mokihinui ..	50	XV.	A. R. P. 5 3 25	£ s. d. 0 12 6

The above section is loaded with £10 for value of improvements, which consist of two small buildings. The section has been cleared and grassed with the exception of a little shelter-bush.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Town Sections, Westport Colliery Reserve, Nelson Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 27th September, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned sections on the Colliery Reserve, in the Town of Westport, will be offered for lease by auction for a term of forty-two years, under "The Westland and Nelson Coal-fields Administration Act, 1877," and its amending Acts, at the Courthouse, Westport, on Wednesday, the 7th December, 1898, at noon.

SCHEDULE.
TOWN OF WESTPORT, BULLER COUNTY.

Section.	Locality.	Area.	Upset Rental per Annum.	Term of Lease.
19 & 20	Rintoul Street ..	R. P.	£ s. d.	42 years.
28	Palmerston St. South	0 24 1 15 0	0 16 3 0 0	
112	"	0 16 2 0 0	0 16 2 0 0	"
113	"	0 16 2 0 0	0 16 2 0 0	"
114	"	0 16 2 0 0	0 16 2 0 0	"
218	Esplanade ..	1 22 3 5 0	1 22 3 5 0	"
218A	" ..	1 24 3 5 0	1 24 3 5 0	"
219	" ..	1 12 3 0 0	1 12 3 0 0	"
151	Mill Street ..	0 12 1 0 0	0 12 1 0 0	"

Terms of Sale.—A deposit of a half-year's rent and £1 1s. lease-fee must be paid on the fall of the hammer. Possession will be given on day of sale.

Full particulars, plans, &c., may be obtained at the District Lands and Survey Offices, Nelson and Westport.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lease for Grazing Purposes of Land in Mareretu Parish, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 11th October, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned forest reserve within the Mareretu Parish will be offered for lease for grazing purposes by public auction for a term of ten years, at this office, on Friday, the 16th day of December, 1898, at 11 a.m.

OTAMATEA COUNTY, PARISH MARERETU.

Pukekohe Forest Reserve, containing 382 acres 2 roods. Upset annual rental, £6. Situated about six miles from Paparoa, and comprises open land and burnt forest.

Term of Lease.—Ten years, for grazing purposes only. The lease conveys no right to fell or remove any live or dead trees or timber, whether standing or lying on the ground. No compensation for improvements at any time, but the lessee may remove fencing and buildings erected during the tenancy.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotment, Kapara, Taranaki, open for Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 12th September, 1898.

THE under-mentioned village-homestead allotment will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 16th November, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

PATEA COUNTY. — KAPARA SURVEY DISTRICT. — MATAPOURI VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
12	VI.	A. R. P. 23 2 30	£ s. d. 0 1 7-2	£ s. d. 0 19 0

This section comprises fair pastoral land, rising up from Waitotara Valley Road towards back. It is covered with light bush. The soil is good, on papa formation.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Akaroa County, Canterbury, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 11th October, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given, under section 23 of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that written tenders for the lease of the under-mentioned reserves for terms of seven years will be received up to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the 14th December, 1898.

Tenders must be enclosed in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Christchurch, and marked on the outside "Tender for Reserve" and must be accompanied by a post-office order, or by bank draft, or cheque marked "Correct for fourteen days" by the bank on which it is drawn, for the amount of one year's rent of the reserve at the rate tendered, together with a lease-fee of £1 1s.

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

AKAROA COUNTY.

Reserve 151, Okain's Bay: Area, 2 roods 32 perches; upset rental per annum, £2.

Reserve 160, Okain's Bay: Area, 3 acres 1 rood 21 perches; upset rental per annum, £3 7s. 8d.

Reserve 169, Petit Carenage Bay, Akaroa, Harbour: Area, 10 acres; upset rental per annum, £2 10s.

NOTE.—Reserve 169 is let subject to the right of the public to use the same for landing purposes.

Conditions.

1. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of reserves 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 lessees, nor for any other cause.

2. Possession will be given on the date of acceptance of tender.

3. The leases shall be for a term of seven years, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by Government.

4. The rent shall be payable yearly in advance.

5. The lands are let for grazing purposes, and lessees will not be permitted to break up or crop any of the same without the written permission of the Land Board first had and obtained.

6. The lessee shall use all reasonable means to prevent the spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in his lease.

7. The lessee shall destroy rabbits on the land, and shall prevent their increase or spread to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands or the Stock Department.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Southland open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 27th September, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection for lease in perpetuity, under the provisions of sections 121 and 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," on and after Thursday, the 24th November, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—WAIKAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	s. d.
46	II.	7 1 26	1 7-2	5 10
47	"	7 1 32	1 7-2	6 0
50	"	1 0 0	4 9-6	2 5
52	"	1 0 0	4 9-6	2 5
53	"	1 0 0	4 9-6	2 5
54	"	1 0 0	4 9-6	2 5
55	"	1 0 0	4 9-6	2 5
56	"	1 1 20	4 9-6	3 4

These sections adjoin Waikawa Township, but the road to them is not formed. Sections 46, 47, and 56 are mossy and rough; Sections 50, 52, 53, 54, and 55 are steep, but the soil is good. Section 50 is burdened with £5 14s. valuation for clearing, grassing, and fencing. All the sections are sparsely covered with mixed bush of no commercial value.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 20th September, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease upon application at this office on Thursday, 24th November, 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.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WALLACE COUNTY.—WAIKAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.—SMALL GRAZING-RUN No. 3.

Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Yearly Rent.
111	..	A. R. P. 343 2 0	s. d. 0 3	£ s. d. 4 6 0

Situated about eighteen miles from Otautau Railway-station. Land hilly and broken; soil poor; clayformation; vegetation, manuka scrub and fern. Height above sea-level, 400 ft. to 600 ft.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments, Southland, open for Lease upon Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 27th September, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Thursday, the 24th November, 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.

WALLACE COUNTY.—LONGWOOD SURVEY DISTRICT.—VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD ALLOTMENTS, LONGWOOD VILLAGE.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
58	V.	A. R. P. 20 3 2	£ s. d. 0 0 9-6	£ s. d. 0 8 4
59	V.	19 2 20	0 0 9-6	0 7 10

Situated about a mile and a half from Wakapatu Railway-station; bush land; soil fair. Section 58 is burdened with £8 10s. valuation for improvements, consisting of—hut, £4; clearing, £4 10s. Limit of holding in this village, 100 acres.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Townships of Ohau and Paraparumu for Lease by Tender.

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

WRITTEN tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 14th December, 1898, for the lease of the under-mentioned sections. If any sections are un-applied-for on the 14th December they will remain open for selection at the upset rentals, and for the terms stated herein.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
<i>Township of Ohau.</i>				
22	..	A. R. P. 0 1 36	£ s. d. 1 0 0	7 years.
23	..	0 1 35	1 0 0	7 years.
48	..	1 0 0	1 0 0	7 years.
<i>Township of Paraparumu.</i>				
10	VII.	0 2 0	0 12 6	7 years.
11	"	0 2 0	0 12 6	7 years.

Sections 22, 23, and 48, Ohau Township: These sections are situated about half a mile from the Ohau Railway-station, which is on the Wellington-Manawatu line, distant about fifty-six miles from Wellington. Sections 22 and 23, in front of the main county road, are perfectly level and in grass, and have good soil on a sandy formation. Section 48 fronts on a formed road, has good soil on a shingle-and-clay formation, and is all in grass, about half the section being flat.

Sections 10 and 11, Block VII., Paraparumu Township: These sections are situated on the main road, within a few chains of the Paraparumu Railway-station, which is about thirty-three miles from Wellington on the Wellington-Manawatu Railway-line. The sections have good soil on a sandy formation, and are in grass and perfectly level.

Conditions.

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

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 any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.

3. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.

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 Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

7. The lessee shall use all reasonable means to prevent the spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in his lease.

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

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 20th September, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened 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 23rd November, 1898.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—RANGIWAHA No. 2 BLOCK.

First- and 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.	
Wanganui	Ngamatea	1	IV.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
		5		580 0 0	1 0 0	580 0 0	1 0	14 10 0	0 9 6	11 12 0*	
	"	"	6	"	410 0 0	1 2 0	451 0 0	1 1-2	11 5 6	0 10-56	9 0 1*
	"	"	7	"	420 0 0	1 1 0	441 0 0	1 0-6	11 0 6	0 10-08	8 16 5*
	"	"	1	VIII.	640 0 0	1 0 0	640 0 0	1 0	16 0 0	0 9-6	12 16 0*
	"	"	7		345 0 0	1 1 0	362 5 0	1 0-6	9 1 2	0 10-08	7 4 11*
	"	"	2		347 0 0	1 1 0	364 7 0	1 0-6	9 2 2	0 10-08	7 5 9*
	"	"	4		540 0 0	1 0 0	540 0 0	1 0	13 10 0	0 9-6	10 16 0*
	"	"	5	"	451 0 0	0 18 0	405 18 0	0 10-8	10 3 0	0 8-64	8 2 5†
	"	Maungakaretu	1	V.	392 0 0	1 0 0	392 0 0	1 0	9 16 0	0 9-6	7 16 10*
	"	Ditto	2	"	295 0 0	1 0 0	295 0 0	1 0	7 7 6	0 9-6	5 18 0*
	"	"	1	I.	549 0 0	0 18 0	494 2 0	0 10-8	12 7 1	0 8-64	9 17 8†
	"	"	2		167 0 0	1 2 6	187 17 6	1 1-5	4 14 0	0 10-8	3 15 2*
	"	"	3	"	123 0 0	1 2 6	138 7 6	1 1-5	3 9 3	0 10-8	2 15 5*
	"	"	4	"	160 2 15	1 2 6	180 13 5	1 1-5	4 10 4	0 10-8	3 12 4*
	"	"	5	"	640 0 0	0 18 0	576 0 0	0 10-8	14 8 0	0 8-64	11 10 5†
	"	"	6	"	301 0 0	0 18 0	270 18 0	0 10-8	6 15 6	0 8-64	5 8 5†
	"	"	9	"	288 2 0	1 0 0	288 10 0	1 0	7 4 3	1 9-6	5 15 5*
	"	"	1	II.	140 0 0	1 2 6	157 10 0	1 1-5	3 18 9	0 10-8	3 3 0*
	"	"	2		300 0 0	1 3 0	345 0 0	1 1-8	8 12 6	0 11-04	6 18 0*
"	"	4	"	105 3 0	1 5 0	132 3 9	1 3	3 6 2	1 0	2 12 11*	
"	"	5	"	280 0 0	1 5 0	350 0 0	1 3	8 15 0	1 0	7 0 0*	
"	"	12	"	136 3 20	1 5 0	171 1 11	1 3	4 5 7	1 0	3 8 6*	
"	"	1	VI.	348 0 0	1 5 0	435 0 0	1 3	10 17 6	1 0	8 14 0*	
"	"	2		297 3 0	1 5 0	372 3 9	1 3	9 6 2	1 0	7 8 11*	

* First-class land. † Second-class land.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF LAND.

Rangiwaia Block is situated between the Upper Wangaehu and Turakina Rivers, about seven miles south of Karioi. The area comprises generally hilly and undulating lands, intersected by valleys which merge into gorges in places, particularly on the Wangaehu side. The block is fairly well watered, but the destruction of the forest will doubtless affect the water-supply, and lead to the drying-up of the smaller streams in summer time. The whole area, except two or three small clearings, is covered with mixed bush, including maire, matai, kahikatea, rimu, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth. On the western side of the block there is some birch in places. The formation is papa and sandstone, with shell-rock cropping up here and there. The soil generally is good, but there is a strip on the Wangaehu River side of poorer quality.

Karioi, which contains a store, post-office, public school, coaching-station, &c., is approached from the block by Native lands, across which it may be reached on horseback, subject to the permission of the owners, by unformed tracks. The only present legal access is from Wanganui and Fordell, via Mangamahu and Hale's Road, through the Maungakaretu Block, thence by the Mangatara Road, which is formed for horse traffic to within one mile and a quarter of the block. It is proposed to survey and legalise the road-lines in continuation of those to the southward in the Wangaehu and Turakina Valleys, which will pass through the western and eastern sides respectively of the block, and to extend these two latter lines northward, through the Native lands, to a junction with the Main North Island Trunk Road from Hunterville to Waimarino. Karioi is distant from Hunterville by this road sixty-seven miles, and from Mangaonoho, the terminus of the North Island Main Trunk Railway, sixty miles.

The country is from 1,300 ft. to 2,400 ft. above sea-level, and when brought into cultivation should prove well adapted to pastoral pursuits, though, owing to the elevation of the country and its inland position, the winters are colder than on the coast, and will consequently affect to some extent pasturage in the winter season.

DESCRIPTION OF SECTIONS.

Section 1, Block IV., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Wangaehu Road, which is laid out up the Maketu Creek. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about eight miles distant via pack-tracks through open tussock country. A dray-road is also constructed up the Wangaehu River for twenty miles from Mangamahu, and another ten miles would reach this section, most of which is only a surveyed road. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly country, with small flats in the different gullies; it is rough and broken for 10 to 20 chains back from the Wangaehu River. The soil ranges from poor to good, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is heavy on the flats, and lighter on the hills, comprising chiefly rimu, kahikatea, matai, maire, miro, &c., with a medium undergrowth of kotukutuku, mahoe, maku, rangiora, &c. The section is fairly well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,650 ft. to 2,050 ft. above sea-level.

Section 5, Block IV., Ngamatea District, is situated between Owahakura and Wangaehu Roads. The access is the same as in Section 1. The section comprises flats along the Maketu Creek, the remainder being rising spurs towards the east. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is of medium density on the spurs, and larger on the flats, and similar to that on Section 1. The section is well watered by a permanent stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,750 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level.

Section 6, Block IV., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Owahakura Road. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about nine miles distant, via pack-track through open country and along surveyed road. From Mangamahu this section is distant about thirty miles, twenty of which is dray-road; the remainder is for the greater part only a surveyed road. The section comprises a small amount of flat along frontage and on the tops of spurs, and is broken at the back portion by a small stream. The soil is same as on Section 5. The forest is fairly dense throughout, similar to that on Section 1. The section is fairly well watered at present by a small stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,780 ft. to 1,950 ft. above sea-level.

Section 7, Block IV., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about ten miles distant *via* pack-tracks and surveyed road-lines. The section comprises easily sloping land along the frontage, flat-topped spurs in the centre, and somewhat broken to the south and east. The soil is the same as Sections 5 and 6. The forest is similar to that on Section 6. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,700 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level.

Section 1, Block VIII., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Wangaeahu Road. The present access is same as to Section 7, Block IV. A dray-road is formed up the Wangaeahu River for twenty miles above Mangamahu, and about another eight miles will reach this section, most of which is only a surveyed road. The section comprises, generally speaking, undulating land in the centre, with small flats on the eastern and western side, except along the bank of the Wangaeahu River, which is rough and broken for a distance of about 15 chains inland. The soil varies from poor to good, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is chiefly heavy on the flats and medium on the hills, comprising rimu, matai, miro, maire, kahikatea, &c., with patches of tawhai and tawhero along the Wangaeahu River, with a medium undergrowth of maku, rangiora, matipo, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,500 ft. to 1,950 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block VIII., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Wangaeahu Road. The present access is the same as to Section 1. The section comprises, generally speaking, about 20 acres of flat land along Maketu Creek, and about 3 or 4 acres of an old Native clearing named Pou. The south-western portion is broken, the remainder is gently sloping land. The soil is similar to that on Section 1. The forest is chiefly heavy on flats and light on the broken part, comprising rimu, maire, miro, matai, kahikatea, and birch along banks of the Wangaeahu River, with a medium undergrowth of maku, kotukutuku, rangiora, matipo, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream; the elevation ranges from about 1,300 ft. to 1,750 ft. above sea-level.

Section 4, Block VIII., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Wangaeahu Road. The present access is from the Main Road near Karioi, which is about eleven miles distant *via* pack-tracks and surveyed road. From Mangamahu a dray-road is constructed for twenty miles up the Wangaeahu River; about five miles further will tap this section, part of which is surveyed road. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest land; about 20 acres of it are flat and easily sloping at the north central portion, with spurs falling towards the stream, precipitous along Wangaeahu River. The soil is similar to that on Sections 1 and 2. The forest is fairly heavy on the flats and light on spurs, comprising matai, rimu, miro, tawa, maire, kahikatea, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, rangiora, matipo, tarata, &c. The section is poorly watered by small streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,250 ft. to 1,800 ft. above sea-level.

Section 5, Block VIII., Ngamatea District, is situated on the Wangaeahu Road. The present access is the same as that for Section 4. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest land; at the north central portion the country is hilly, with easily sloping land; the remainder is spurs falling towards the Pongarara Stream. The soil is of fair quality throughout, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is fairly heavy, comprising rimu, miro, maire, rata, kahikatea, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, tarata, mahoe, rangiora, kotukutuku, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,250 ft. to 1,800 ft. above sea-level.

Section 1, Block I., Maungakaretu, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from the Main Road near Karioi, which is about seven miles distant, *via* pack-track, and surveyed road. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest country; the south-eastern portion is easily sloping and flat land, the remainder is broken by spurs; on the tops of the main water-parting there are small flats. The soil is fair to good, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is fairly heavy throughout, comprising rata, rimu, matai, maire, kahikatea, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, rangiora, kotukutuku, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,730 ft. to 2,400 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block I., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is the same as that to Section 1. The section comprises hilly and undulating country, with small flats scattered throughout. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is similar to that on Section 1. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,650 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 3, Block I., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about eight miles distant, *via* pack-tracks and uncleared surveyed road-lines. The section comprises hilly and easily undulating forest country, with small flats distributed throughout. The soil is of same character as preceding section. The forest is fairly heavy on the flats and lighter on the hills, of similar character to that on preceding sections. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,650 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 4, Block I., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about nine miles distant, *via* pack-tracks and uncleared surveyed road. The section is similar in character to Section 3. The soil is of good quality, and similar to that on Sections 2 and 3. The forest is fairly heavy on the easy slopes and lighter on the siding, and of same character as on preceding sections. The section is well watered by a permanent stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,700 ft. to 1,950 ft. above sea-level.

Section 5, Block I., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about ten miles distant, *via* pack-tracks and uncleared surveyed road. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest country. There are easy slopes and flattish pieces of land on the main water-parting, the remainder being spurs falling towards the Koukoupo Creek. The soil is of medium quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is medium in density and size, comprising rata, rimu, maire, matai, miro, kahikatea, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kotukutuku, matipo, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,600 ft. to 2,200 ft. above sea-level.

Section 6, Block I., Maungakaretu District: Situation and access is the same as in Section 5. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest country, with a fair amount of easily sloping land. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is same as described for Section 5. The section is well watered by permanent stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,600 ft. to 2,150 ft. above sea-level.

Section 9, Block I., Maungakaretu District, is situated at the junction of Koukoupo Road and Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road near Karioi, which is about eight miles distant, *via* pack-track and uncleared surveyed road; also can be approached from Hale's Track, *via* formed pack-track and surveyed road. The section comprises easily sloping land and small flats along the road-frontage, with hilly land towards the south-western portion. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is fairly heavy throughout, comprising rimu, matai, kahikatea, maire, miro, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kotukutuku, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,550 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 1, Block V., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Koukoupo Road. The present access is from Karioi on Main Road, which is about ten miles distant, by pack-track and uncleared surveyed road-lines. It can also be approached *via* formed pack-track from Hale's Track, and uncleared surveyed road up Koukoupo Creek. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest land; along the Koukoupo Road there are small flats and easily sloping land; the western portion of section is broken by spurs. The soil is fair to good, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is heavy on the flats and lighter on the ridges, comprising rimu, matai, maire, kahikatea, miro, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kotukutuku, tarata, houhere, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,400 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block V., Maungakaretu District: The situation and access same as for Section 1, Block V. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly forest country, with the exception of about 10 acres of open flax land at the south-western corner; also small flats and gently sloping land occasionally. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is medium to light on the hills and heavy on the creeks, comprising rimu, matai, maire, white manuka, kowhai, &c., with a medium undergrowth of rangiora, koromiko, mahoe, maku, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,350 ft. to 1,800 ft. above sea-level.

Section 1, Block II., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road, about three miles east of Karioi, which is about eleven miles distant, *via* pack-track and uncleared surveyed road. The section comprises, in the front portion, flat and gently sloping land; the back portion is

hillocky. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is of medium density and size throughout, comprising matai, rimu, maire, miro, kahikatea, rata, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, houhou, koromiko, rangiora, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,700 ft. to 1,950 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block II., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is from Main Road three miles east of Karioi, which is about ten miles distant, *via* a pack-track which leads over this section. Future access will be *via* Turakina Road. The section comprises, generally speaking, hillocky and gently undulating forest country, with small flats scattered throughout; there is about 8 acres of open grass land in the southern portion of section. The soil is similar to that on Section 1, Block II. The forest is medium, light on hillocks and heavy in gullies, comprising rimu, matai, kowhai, miro, tarata, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kotukutuku, rangiora, koromiko, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,680 ft. to 2,118 ft. above sea-level.

Section 4, Block II., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Turakina Valley Road. The present and future access same as for Section 2, Block II. The section comprises about half of heavy pine flat, the remainder being gently rising land. The soil is similar to that on Sections 1 and 2. The forest is heavy on flats and medium on sideling, comprising kahikatea, matai, miro, rimu, maire, &c., with a medium undergrowth of rangiora, maku, mahoe, &c. The section is well watered. The elevation ranges from about 1,650 ft. to 1,850 ft. above sea-level.

Section 5, Block II., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Owhakura Road. The present access is same as for Sections 2 and 4. Future access will probably be *via* Turakina and Owhakura Roads. The section comprises undulating bush country, with the exception of about 40 acres of an old Native clearing on the west central portion of the section. The soil is similar to that on Sections 1 and 2. The forest is fairly heavy throughout, comprising rimu, matai, maire, kahikatea, miro, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kowhai, kotukutuku, &c. The section is fairly well watered by small streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,650 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 12, Block II., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Turakina Road. The present access is from Main Road, three miles east of Karioi, which is about eleven miles distant, *via* pack-tracks and uncleared surveyed road. Future access will be *via* Turakina Road. The section comprises at the back portion flat-topped spurs, falling towards Turakina River, ending in gentle slopes along the road-frontage. The soil is same as preceding sections. The forest is medium throughout, comprising rimu, kahikatea, maire, miro, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kotukutuku, matipo, koromiko, &c. The section is well watered by small streams, and has frontage to Turakina River. The elevation ranges from about 1,600 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 1, Block VI., Maungakaretu District, is situated on the Turakina Road. The present access is from Main Road, three miles east of Karioi, which is about twelve miles distant, *via* pack-track and uncleared surveyed road. The future access will be *via* Turakina Road. The section comprises at the back portion undulating land, which falls towards the Turakina River, forming gentle slopes and flats along the road-frontage. The soil is of good quality, 4 in. to 8 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is fairly heavy to light, comprising rimu, matai, kahikatea, maire, miro, &c., with a medium undergrowth of mahoe, maku, kotukutuku, tarata, rangiora, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams, and is close to the Turakina River. The elevation ranges from about 1,600 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block VI., Maungakaretu District: The situation and present access same as Section 1, Block VI. The section comprises at the back portion flat-topped spurs and undulating country, which falls towards the Turakina River, forming gentle slopes and flats along the road-frontage. The soil is similar to that on Section 1, Block VI. The forest is medium throughout, comprising rimu, kahikatea, matai, maire, &c., with a medium undergrowth of maku, mahoe, kotukutuku, tarata, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,550 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level.

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

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 13th August, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened 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 7th December, 1898.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

First-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.	
Pahiatua	Makuri	..	44	III.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
					10 0 0	1 0 0	10 0 0	1 0	0 5 0	0 9 6	0 4 0
"	"	..	42	"	6 0 0	1 0 0	6 0 0	1 0	0 3 0	0 9 6	0 2 5

Section 44, Block III., Makuri, is situated at the junction of the Totara Road and the Rabbit-fence Reserve. The access is from Kumeroa, Hawke's Bay, which is about seven miles distant, the last mile and a half being road which is surveyed only; it is also distant about three miles and a half from Makairo Post-office, by one mile and a half of formed road and two miles of road which is surveyed only. The land is undulating and the soil good, resting on papa formation; the forest is of a mixed character, comprising chiefly tawa, rimu, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by a spring.

Section 42, Block III., Makuri, is situated on the Totara Road, and has access from Makairo, where there is a post-office, the distance being about two miles and a half, by one mile and a half of formed road and one mile of road which is surveyed only. The land is undulating, and has a good soil resting on papa formation; it is all cleared of bush, and is watered by a small stream. The section is weighted with £13 10s. for improvements, comprising 6 acres in grass.

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

RETURN of the VALUE of EXPORTS from the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1898.

COUNTRIES.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth.	Waitara.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Napier.	Wairau and Pictou.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Hokitika.	Lyttelton and Christchurch.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill and Bluff.	Parcels Post.	Totals.	Corresponding Quarter, 1897.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>British Possessions.</i>																							
United Kingdom ..	178,550	..	..	20,347	1,445	14,150	6,394	39,048	151,000	64,018	10,507	756	323	15,742	..	339,285	88,342	21,805	59,772	96,678	1,237	1,109,399	1,103,658
<i>Australia—</i>																							
Victoria ..	4,510	11,704	..	2	831	..	..	..	6,814	163	2,083	780	283	17,305	..	14,190	22	118	10,364	19,062	146	88,377	72,967
New South Wales ..	101,684	7,717	..	894	1,794	..	..	..	7,693	4,014	3,444	1,453	2,510	14,843	10,012	62,308	4,635	586	61,622	7,145	480	292,834	169,468
Queensland ..	853	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	76	..	82	94	..	..	..	2,776	242	..	2,096	837	37	7,093	6,810
South Australia ..	112	..	..	..	783	..	..	..	278	..	6	19	..	..	..	1,748	..	..	2,133	870	39	5,988	6,689
Western Australia ..	92	..	..	..	476	..	..	..	172	..	..	13	..	..	..	4,076	..	..	3,861	4,184	35	12,909	13,381
Tasmania ..	557	..	..	..	3,285	..	..	..	1,419	..	..	5	..	..	..	1,020	..	..	1,195	2,376	28	9,885	6,841
<i>Pacific Islands—</i>																							
Norfolk ..	954	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	959	1,301
Fiji ..	6,616	..	..	..	52	..	..	..	655	..	..	11	1,943	..	..	902	3	..	159	..	..	10,341	9,569
Malden ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	..	..	31	37
<i>Africa—</i>																							
Cape Colony ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	350	5	495	2,429
Natal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	66
<i>Asia—</i>																							
Hongkong ..	1,318	..	..	..	215	..	..	..	256	..	..	..	..	800	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	2,604	2,014
Bengal ..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	293	..	..	301	1,615
Bombay ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	964	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	964	..
Madras ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37	..	..	37	9
Ceylon ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	131	..	18	149	148
<i>America—</i>																							
Canada ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	6
British Columbia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	264	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	271	584
<i>Foreign Countries and Possessions.</i>																							
<i>Europe—</i>																							
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1
Germany ..	4,572	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	86	4,658	1,727
Austria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
Holland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Sweden ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Belgium ..	407	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	415	..
<i>America—</i>																							
United States—																							
East Coast ..	57,702	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,953	870	..	..	..	..	..	1,037	800	1,100	3,994	1,457	..	66,960	65,933
West Coast ..	6,646	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	398	..	..	..	..	..	..	455	..	..	450	..	..	8,599	26,333
Argentine Republic ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	132	..	..	..	..	..	1,303	151
Brazil ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	132	786
Uruguay ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63
Central America ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..
<i>Africa—</i>																							
Canary Islands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	50
S. African Republic ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2

RETURN of the VALUE of EXPORTS from the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1898—continued.

COUNTRIES.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth.	Waitara.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Napier.	Wairau and Picton.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Hokitika.	Lyttelton and Christchurch.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill and Bluff.	Parcels Post.	Totals.	Corresponding Quarter, 1897.
Asia—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
China ..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	2
Arabia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	73	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	76	..
Japan ..	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	..
Pacific Islands—																							
New Caledonia ..	435	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	..	..	..	..	484	51
New Hebrides ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	..	39	8
Friendly ..	5,670	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	311	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,985	8,038
Savage ..	186	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	186	125
Navigators ..	3,356	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	3,400	3,340
Cook ..	3,461	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	3,516	5,792
Society ..	4,516	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	4,524	3,492
Sandwich ..	369	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	406	293
Marshall ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	312	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	312	..
Totals ..	382,617	19,421	..	21,243	8,881	14,150	6,394	39,048	172,235	69,065	16,122	3,143	5,682	48,690	10,012	427,966	94,044	23,609	146,244	132,959	2,163	1,643,688	..
Corresponding Qr., '97	284,920	27,526	..	23,582	8,444	5,105	7,309	21,820	186,210	56,078	6,419	5,811	8,614	44,358	19,889	405,828	76,747	28,071	186,562	107,872	2,124	..	1,513,289

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		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.															
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.				Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.							
Auckland	Sailing Steam	..	5	..	13	..	3	..	15	4053	127	15	4053	127	1	803	12	1	803	12	16	4856	139	16	4856	139	18	6950	171
		..	5	..	29	..	12	..	41	64376	2177	41	64376	2177	5	9695	500	5	9695	500	46	74071	2677	46	74071	2677	39	55716	2085
Totals ..	..	5	..	42	..	15	..	56	68429	2304	..	..	..	56	68429	2304	6	10498	512	..	..	..	6	10498	512	62	78927	2816	..	..	..	62	78927	2816	57	62666	2256
Kaipara ..	Sailing	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	338	13	..	..	..	2	338	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	338	13	..	..	..	2	338	13	3	1322	27	
Poverty Bay ..	Sailing	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	284	7	..	..	..	1	284	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	284	7	..	..	..	1	284	7	1	214	7		
Wanganui ..	Sailing	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	214	7	..	..	..	1	214	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	214	7	..	..	..	1	214	7	1	145	6		
Wellington	Sailing Steam	2	..	10	..	2	..	10	4644	102	..	..	..	10	4644	102	4	2461	44	..	..	..	4	2461	44	14	7105	146	..	..	..	14	7105	146	10	5848	112
		7	1	19	..	..	..	26	60024	1930	1	718	36	27	60742	1966	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	60024	1930	1	718	36	27	60742	1966	24	52271	1634	
Totals ..	..	9	1	29	..	2	..	36	64668	2032	1	718	36	37	65386	2068	4	2461	44	..	..	..	4	2461	44	40	67129	2076	1	718	36	41	67847	2112	34	58119	1746
Napier ..	Sailing	..	..	5	..	..	..	4	790	31	..	..	..	4	790	31	1	324	8	..	..	..	1	324	8	5	1114	39	..	..	..	5	1114	39	6	1425	45
Nelson ..	Sailing	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	997	20	..	..	..	1	997	20	1	843	14	..	..	..	1	843	14	2	1840	34	..	..	..	2	1840	34	3	2306	48
Westport ..	Sailing	..	..	2	1	..	..	1	292	8	..	..	..	1	292	8	1	231	9	1	647	12	2	878	21	2	523	17	1	647	12	3	1170	29	1	692	10
Lyttelton	Sailing Steam	..	..	7	1	..	..	7	3831	77	1	1076	19	8	4907	96	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	3831	77	1	1076	19	8	4907	96	9	5621	117		
		..	..	4	..	..	..	4	4308	107	..	..	..	4	4308	107	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4308	107	..	..	..	4	4308	107	3	6479	127		
Totals ..	..	..	..	11	1	..	..	11	8139	184	1	1076	19	12	9215	203	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	8139	184	1	1076	19	12	9215	203	12	12100	244		
Timaru	Sailing Steam	1	..	3	..	..	..	4	2081	48	..	..	..	4	2081	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2081	48	..	..	..	4	2081	48	2	557	16		
		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2481	44		
Totals ..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	4	2081	48	..	..	..	4	2081	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2081	48	..	..	..	4	2081	48	3	3038	60		
Dunedin	Sailing Steam	2	..	2	..	3	..	6	4562	96	..	..	..	6	4562	96	1	569	10	..	..	..	1	569	10	7	5131	106	..	..	..	7	5131	106	4	2099	50
		2	2	5102	94	2	5102	94	2	5102	94	2	5102	94	2	5102	94	3	10477	175
Totals	4	..	2	..	3	..	8	9664	190	8	9664	190	1	569	10	1	569	10	9	10233	200	9	10233	200	7	12576	225	

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		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.		In Ballast.		Totals.		With Cargoes.		In Ballast.		Totals.		With Cargoes.		In Ballast.		Totals.		Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.									
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.												
Bluff Harbo'r	Sailing Steam	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	689	18	..	..	..	2	689	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	689	18	..	..	..	2	689	18	5	3105	71
		..	..	10	..	..	..	10	16939	596	..	..	..	10	16939	596	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	16939	596	..	..	..	10	16939	596	11	17207	659
Totals ..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	12	17628	614	..	..	..	12	17628	614	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	17628	614	..	..	..	12	17628	614	16	20312	730
Total Ship'ng inwards	Sailing Steam	6	..	48	2	9	..	54	22775	554	1	1076	19	55	23851	573	9	5231	97	1	647	12	10	5878	109	63	28006	651	2	1723	31	65	29729	682	..	..	..
		14	1	62	..	12	..	83	150749	4904	1	718	36	84	151467	4940	5	9695	500	..	..	..	5	9695	500	88	160444	5404	1	718	36	89	161162	5440	..	..	..
Totals ..	..	20	1	110	2	21	..	137	173524	5458	2	1794	55	139	175318	5513	14	14926	597	1	647	12	15	15573	609	151	188450	6055	3	2441	67	154	190891	6122	..	..	..
Correspndng. Quar., 1897	Sailing Steam	6	..	41	6	9	1	49	22212	513	5	3283	82	54	25495	595	7	3634	67	2	1155	18	9	4789	85	56	25846	580	7	4438	100	..	..	..	..	..	..
		12	..	57	2	10	..	75	133982	4263	2	2893	81	77	136875	4344	4	7756	380	..	..	..	4	7756	380	79	141738	4643	2	2893	81	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	18	..	98	8	19	1	124	156194	4776	7	6176	163	131	162370	4939	11	11390	447	2	1155	18	13	12545	465	135	167584	5223	9	7331	181

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PORTS OF DEPARTURE.	Sailing or Steam Vessels.	CLEARED FOR						BRITISH.									FOREIGN.									TOTALS.									Corresponding Quarter, 1897.		
		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.					
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.			
Auckland	Sailing Steam	1	..	12	..	5	1	16	3478	114	1	569	13	17	4047	127	2	1054	20	..	..	..	2	1054	20	18	4532	134	1	569	18	19	5101	147	17	7003	155
Totals	..	1	..	40	1	15	1	50	46958	1861	2	1962	49	52	48920	1910	6	8810	420	..	..	..	6	8810	420	56	55768	2281	2	1962	49	58	57730	2330	53	50753	2000
Kaipara	Sailing Steam	..	..	15	..	..	..	11	3115	90	..	..	..	11	3115	90	4	1797	37	..	..	..	4	1797	37	15	4912	127	..	..	..	15	4912	127	22	8136	200
Totals	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	12	3831	112	..	..	..	12	3831	112	4	1797	37	..	..	..	4	1797	37	16	5628	149	..	..	..	16	5628	149	22	8136	200
Wellington	Sailing Steam	..	..	2	3	..	3	2	277	10	4	3764	68	6	4041	78	..	..	..	2	1390	23	2	1390	23	2	277	10	6	5154	91	8	5431	101	..	..	..
Totals	..	3	..	16	1	..	1	19	37271	1391	2	2019	104	21	39290	1495	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	37271	1391	2	2019	104	21	39290	1495	21	45757	1380
Napier	Sailing	..	..	4	1	..	..	3	542	24	1	275	9	4	817	33	1	324	7	..	..	..	1	324	7	4	866	31	1	275	9	5	1141	40	2	1280	25
Nelson	Sailing	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	843	14	1	843	14	..	..	..	1	843	14	1	843	14	..	..	..	..
Westport	Sailing	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	292	8	1	292	8	2	1115	21	..	..	..	2	1115	21	2	1115	21	1	292	8	3	1407	29	2	1214	19
Greymouth	Sailing	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	234	8	..	..	..	1	234	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	234	8	..	..	..	1	234	8	2	525	15
Lyttelton	Sailing Steam	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	805	15	1	891	12	2	1696	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	805	15	1	891	12	2	1696	27	4	3110	54	
Totals	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	7	17334	399	..	..	..	7	17334	399	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	17334	399	..	..	..	7	17334	399	4	13331	278	
Timaru	Steam	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1571	29	..	..	..	1	1571	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1571	29	..	..	..	1	1571	29	..	..	..
Oamaru	Steam	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1572	35
Dunedin	Sailing Steam	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	690	21	2	690	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	690	21	2	690	21	2	1435	31
Totals	..	2	..	1	3	3	9494	214	3	2591	91	6	12085	305	3	9494	214	3	2591	91	6	12085	305	5	9751	226	

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		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.																
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.																			
Bluff Harbo'r	Sailing Steam	..	4	1	14	27966	790	..	1	703	14	1	703	14	14	27966	790	..	1	703	14	1	703	14	3	764	23
Totals ..	..	4	..	10	1	..	..	14	27966	790	1	703	14	15	28669	804	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	27966	790	1	703	14	15	28669	804	15	22570	738
Total ship'ng outwards	Sailing Steam	1	..	36	9	6	5	34	8451	261	11	7184	145	45	15635	406	9	4290	85	3	2233	37	12	6523	122	43	12741	346	14	9417	182	57	22158	528	..	..	..	..		
Totals ..	..	14	..	96	12	16	6	113	146283	4853	15	12497	355	128	158780	5208	13	12046	485	3	2233	37	16	14279	522	126	158329	5338	18	14730	392	144	173059	5730	..	..	..	..		
Correspondng. Quar., 1897	Sailing Steam	3	..	36	6	7	2	34	11462	297	8	4855	100	42	16317	397	12	7150	125	..	..	..	12	7150	125	46	18612	422	8	4855	100	..	..	..	..	54	23467	522
Totals	17	..	85	10	17	2	103	135156	4265	12	7937	200	115	143093	4465	16	14906	505	16	14906	505	119	150062	4770	12	7937	200	131	157999	4970							

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W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 29th October, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Appellate Court will be held at Whangaroa on the 11th day of November, 1898, to hear and determine the appeal against the decision 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.
 [Auckland, 98-64.] JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Appellant.	Name of Land.	Decision in respect of which Appeal made.
1	Taniora Rihari (490-2, 1/82) ..	Pahuhu ^a	Decision, dated the 18th day of July, 1898, partitioning the said land.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 2nd November, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court House at Pukekohe on the 15th day of December, 1898, at 10.30 o'clock, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.
 [Auckland, 98-66.] JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Mortgage (C.A. 98-102) ..	6th October, 1898 ..	Part of Te Akaaka No. 1	Matene Iro, of Waiuku, to Michael Drumgool, also of Waiuku.
2	Transfer (C.A. 98-110) ..	3rd October, 1898 ..	Orahiri Nos. 11 and 11A	Rohi te Piki, of Otorohanga, to George Thomas Wilkinson, also of Otorohanga.
3	Transfer (C.A. 98-106) ..	7th September, 1898..	Opuatia No. 12A ..	Hori Kukutai, Matete Kukutai, Ngatete Karaka te Aho, Warena Kukutai, and Wiremu Karaka te Aho, all of Onewhero, to Thomas Logan, George Robert Logan, and Joseph Logan, all of Onewhero.
4	Lease (C.A. 98-112) ..	21st October, 1898 ..	Te Akaaka No. 2B ..	Hira te Aho as trustee for Pare Tohi, Tuhi Hira, Te Haupa te Aho, all of Lower Waikato, to Elizabeth Muir, wife of Alexander Muir, of Waiuku.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 2nd November, 1898.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Rotorua on the 1st day of December, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.
 [Auckland, 98-65.] JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
912	Neti Ngakii Hapeta (69-114, 3/276)	Mangorewa Kaharoa (No. 6).
913	Retireti Tapihana (98-513, 2/129)	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 7.
914	Eruera H. Karaka and others (530B.P.-7, 2/313)	Te Tumu Kaituna Nos. 3 and 4.
915	Te Kahiwi te Tuhi, Ereataa Toheriri, Utiku te Tuhi, Te Heketua, Maihi te Ruru, and others (73B.P.-23, 3/52)	Pahiko B No. 3 (Ngatipahiko B No. 3).
916	Oriwa Witika, Horomona Himiona, Witika Kapua, Rawiri Katene, and Rotohiko Katene (43-8, 3/230)	Te Komotanga te Whaonga No. 2 (Okataina No. 2).
917	Pera Kima, Te Naera, Hingawaka (74-10, 3/281)	Te Koutu No. 1.
918	Ramarihi Tanara (109-6, 3/282)	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 3A, Section 1.
919	Ramarihi Tanara (109-7, 3/283)	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 3A, Section 2.
920	Akapita H. Pango, Miria Kahira Rotohiko, and others (74-11, 3/284)	Te Koutu.
921	Ihala te Waru (58-13, 4/21)	Faeroa South A No. 2.
922	Hoani te Whara (279-2, 4/25)	Waipahirere (Te Koutu).
923	Te Rongomaiwhiti te Kahutaka (106-8, 4/26)	Okoheriki No. 2B.

APPLICATIONS TO DETERMINE RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1651	Arama Karaka Hutuha, Mita Tuhuruhuru, Meinata Tamarangi, and Hohepa te Rake (211-1, 3/277)	Otangihiaroa, Whakapoungakau No. 6.
1652	Arama Karaka Hutuha, Meinata Tamarangi, Mita Tuhuruhuru, and Hohepa te Rake (222-1, 3/278)	Whakapoungakau No. 17.
1653	Hemi te Purewa, Ua Makerewhatu te Purewa, and Mori Aterete Unuahu (208-2, 3/279)	Whakapoungakau No. 3.
1654	Te Kowhai Tarahina, Whakatau Ngakuku, Pirimi Mataiawhea, Te Ahomiro Ngakuku, Winiata Matia, Te Amotawa Matawhero, and Te Wharekiri te Pohoroa (59-12, 4/22)	Waiteti No. 2.
1655	Te Kowhai Tarahina, Whakatau Ngakuku, Pirimi Mataiawhea, Te Ahomiro Ngakuku, Winiata Matia, Te Amotawa Matawhero, and Te Wharekiri te Pohoroa (59-13, 4/23)	Waiteti No. 2A.
1656	Te Rongomaiwhiti te Kahutaka (106-9, 4/27)	Okoheriki No. 2E.

APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 78 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," TO DEFINE INTEREST ACQUIRED BY CROWN.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1657	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (528B.P.-4, 3/6) ..	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 1.
1658	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (529B.P.-1, 3/7) ..	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 2.
1659	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (530B.P.-1, 3/8) ..	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 3.
1660	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (531B.P.-1, 3/9) ..	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 4.
1661	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (532B.P.-2, 3/10) ..	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 5.
1662	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (533B.P.-2, 3/11) ..	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 6.
1663	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (534B.P.-48, 3/12)	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 7.
1664	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (534B.P.-49, 3/13)	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 8.
1665	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (534B.P.-50, 3/14)	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 9.
1666	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (534B.P.-51, 3/15)	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 10.
1667	The Hon. W. P. Reeves, for Minister of Lands (534B.P.-52, 3/16)	Te Tumu Kaituna No. 11.
1668	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (838B.P.-1, 3/72) ..	Ngatipahiko B No. 1.
1669	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (839B.P.-6, 3/73) ..	Ngatipahiko B No. 2.
1670	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (840B.P.-5, 3/74) ..	Ngatipahiko B No. 3.
1671	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (766B.P.-2, 3/75) ..	Karangi No. 1b (Te Karangi B).
1672	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (69-138, 3/285) ..	Mangorewa Kaharoa No. 6.
1673	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (103-105, 3/286) ..	Whakarewarewa No. 1, Section 2.
1674	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (103-106, 3/287) ..	Whakarewarewa No. 2.
1675	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (103-107, 3/288) ..	Whakarewarewa No. 3, Section 1.
1676	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (254-87, 3/289) ..	Ruawahia.
1677	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (104-93, 3/290) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6A, Section 2, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.
1678	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (172-9, 3/291) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6c, Section 2.
1679	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (173-20, 3/292) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6d, Section 2.
1680	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (174-12, 3/293) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6e, Section 2.
1681	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (175-19, 3/294) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6f, Section 2.
1682	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (176-26, 3/295) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6g, Section 2.
1683	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (177-30, 3/296) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6h, Section 2.
1684	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (178-12, 3/297) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6j, Section 2.
1685	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (179-16, 3/298) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6k, Section 2.
1686	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (180-48, 4/1) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6l, Section 2.
1687	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (182-49, 4/2) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6n, Section 2.
1688	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (183-31, 4/3) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6o, Section 2.
1689	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (184-23, 4/4) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6p, Section 2.
1690	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (185-28, 4/5) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6q, Section 2.
1691	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (187-32, 4/6) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 6s, Section 2.
1692	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (206-12, 4/7) ..	Okahu Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.
1693	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (274-5, 4/8) ..	Paeroa East No. 4B, No. 1.
1694	The Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (109-11, 4/24) ..	Rotomahana Parekarangi No. 3A (school-site).

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 46 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
1695	Aperahama Wiari (1/128)	Rawiri Uepo.

APPLICATION FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDER.

No.	Name of Surveyor.	Name of Land.	Area.	Amount.
1700	Leonard Simpson (by his solicitor, C. F. Buddle), (766B.P.-1, 4/82)	Te Karangi	1,187 acres ..	£62 10s.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 31st October, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Te Awanui on the 9th day of December, 1898, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Gisborne, 98-60.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 65 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
1891	E. C. Gold Smith, Commissioner of Crown Lands ..	Taitai No. 1	£30 4s. 2d.

APPLICATION FOR PROBATE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
1892	Manahi Parapara	Iritana Parapara.

APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
1893	Heremaia Patutahi	Paratene Pahau Korehe.

ADJOURNED CLAIM.

APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
1899	Maaka Ngapo	Tapiata Kiwi.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 8th November, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that applications have been made to a Judge of the Court for certificates under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienations hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificates must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

[Sec. 55, 98-28.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (98-327) ..	25th October, 1898 ..	Heretaunga, Lots 15 and 24	Erena Karauria to George Edward Gordon Richardson.
2	Transfer (98-333) ..	5th November, 1898 ..	Pukerua 3c 2b ..	Matenga te Hiko to Reginald Wall.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that NEWTON CHARLES HOLDAWAY, of Kapanga, Wheelwright, and ALFRED THEODORE BRADLEY, of Stratford, Blacksmith (lately carrying on business at Hawera in copartnership under the style of "Holdaway and Bradley"), were this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 14th day of November, 1898, at 2 o'clock p.m.

C. A. BUDGE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Hawera, 2nd November, 1898.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ARTHUR CALLCOTT, of Wellington, Accountant, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 10th day of November, 1898, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 3rd November, 1898.

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

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 Monday, the 21st day of November, 1898, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 1898.

No. 157. Stedman, Samuel Richard, of Dunedin, Cycle Expert.

No. 172. Fulton, Eustace Henry, of Dunedin, Commission Agent.

No. 173. Aitchison, Thomas, of Mount Cargill, near Dunedin, Labourer.

No. 176. Macdonald, John, of Dunedin, late Labour Agent, now Tea-dealer.

No. 178. Ogg, John, of South Dunedin, Hotelkeeper, out of business.

No. 179. Breese, Thomas, of Dunedin, Engine-driver.

No. 180. Crossan, William, of Owaka, Baker.

No. 181. Hastie, Robert, of St. Clair, Horse-trainer.

No. 183. Jennison, John, of Middlemarch, Butcher.

No. 184. Fahey, William Henry, of Dunedin, Clerk.

No. 189. Draper, George Ward, of Ratanui, Farmer.

No. 190. Heath, Charles, of Dunedin, Preserver.

No. 192. Evans, Maria, of Dunedin, Confectioner.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Land Transfer Act Notices.

OUTSTANDING leases affecting parts of Waikanae 1b Block, registered in Deeds Registry Office, Gisborne: WILLIAM HENRY TUCKER to HENRY EVANS, of Sections 48 and 49, numbered 12307; to WILLIAM FITZGERALD CRAWFORD, now registered in the name of the Gisborne Permanent Land, Building, and Investment Society, of, *inter alia*, Sections 37 and 38, numbered 12367; to WILLIAM HENRY SCEATS, of Section 85, numbered 12591, of which Josiah Tutchen is registered mortgagee; to JOHN FINLAYSON, JOHN BEVAN, MARGARET SMITH, and ELLEN HANLON, of Sections 53, 86, 96, and part 89, numbered 12389, 12592, 17820, and 18514 respectively; to JOHN SCORE and WILLIAM DUNN, of Section 84, numbered 14674, now contained in certificate of title, Vol. xxxvi., folio 118, of the Register-book.—Evidence having been adduced by the lessor of re-entry and recovery of possession for non-payment of rent and breach of covenants in said leases, I hereby give notice of my intention to notify such re-entries upon the Register at the expiration of one month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated at the Lands Registry Office, Gisborne, this 5th day of November, 1898.

C. H. WALTER DIXON,
Assistant Land Registrar.

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

8364. JOHN DUXBURY.—1 acre and 11 perches, Lot 10A, Plan 1410, part of Rural Section 12200, Pigeon Bay and Akaroa Survey Districts. Occupied by Applicant.

8375. ARCHIBALD HEWITT.—10 acres, part of Lot 3A, Plan 1410, part of Rural Section 1973, Okain's Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8379. GEORGE MOULD.—15 acres, part of Lot 2, Plan 1410, part of Rural Section 1973, Okain's Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8384. JOHN ROBERT THACKER.—91 acres, part of Lot 4, Plan 1410, Rural Section 14171, and parts of 13578 and 14169, Okain's Survey District. Occupied by Joseph Gould and George Gould.

8385. THE CANTERBURY COLLEGE.—6 acres 3 roods, part of a road on Plan 1410, part of Rural Sections 13578 and 14169, Okain's Survey District. Used as a public road.

8386. WILLIAM DENNIS.—34 acres 2 roods, part of Lot 10, Plan 1410, part of Rural Section 12200, Pigeon Bay, Okain's, Akaroa, and Gough's Survey Districts. Occupied by Applicant.

8400. EDGAR CHANNON STUDHOLME and CARLISLE STUDHOLME (trustees of estate of MICHAEL STUDHOLME, deceased).—121 acres 2 roods 5 perches, Rural Section 5311, and parts of 4077 and 6315, Waitaki Survey District. Occupied by John Pratt.

8403. FANNY ADCOCK.—3 roods 11 perches, part of Rural Section 76, Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8404. JAMES BRIGHTWELL BANKS.—3 acres 3 roods 34 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, part of Rural Section 133, Borough of St. Albans. Unoccupied.

8415. ROBERT HAYES HANNA and FREDERICK JOHN RICKARD (executors of JANE RICKARD, deceased).—40 acres, Rural Sections 6204 and 6926, Rangiora and Mairaki Survey Districts. Occupied by Thomas Miles.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

912 G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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

Sections 22 and 23, Block IX., City of Dunedin.—JAMES SPEIGHT AND CO. (LIMITED), Applicant. Occupied partly by weekly tenants and partly by Applicant. No. 4272.

Section 24, Block IX., City of Dunedin.—JAMES SPEIGHT AND CO. (LIMITED), Applicant. Unoccupied. No. 4273.

Part of Section 9, Block XII., City of Dunedin.—SYDNEY GOLDSMITH, Applicant. Unoccupied. No. 4274.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 7th day of November, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

916 H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

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

RICHARD JAMES STRACHAN HARMAN and GEORGEANNA JANET GRACE TANCRED.—2 roods, being Sections 13 and 14, Block XXXI., Town of Invercargill. Unoccupied. Nos. 2719 and 2720.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 1st day of November, 1898, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

911 F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

Mining Notices.

In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Waitekauri Union Claims (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above company is removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to the Central Camp, Waitekauri, Ohinemuri.

Dated this 20th day of August, 1898.

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In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the New Zealand Consolidated (Limited), and of the New Inkerman Mines (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above two companies is removed from the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Smith Street, Reefton, the latter being the sole place of business in this colony.

Dated this 18th day of August, 1898.

GEORGE GOUGH DIXON,

Attorney for the Companies.

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THE KAWARAU BIG BEACH DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at the office of John Alwent Chapman, sharebroker, in Princes Street, Dunedin, on Tuesday, the 10th January, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company and of the liquidation thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated the 3rd day of November, 1898.

J. A. CHAPMAN,

Liquidator.

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THE RESCUE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at the office of John Alwent Chapman, sharebroker, in Princes Street, Dunedin, on Friday, the 13th January, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company and of the liquidation thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated the 3rd day of November, 1898.

J. A. CHAPMAN,

Liquidator.

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THE WAKATIPU GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at the office of John Alwent Chapman, Sharebroker, in Princes Street, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 12th of January, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company and of the liquidation thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated the 3rd day of November, 1898.

J. A. CHAPMAN,

Liquidator.

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THE OURAWERA GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE OF INCREASE OF CAPITAL.

At an extraordinary meeting of shareholders of the above company, held in Gunn's Railway Hotel, Riverton, on 3rd November, 1898, at 8 o'clock p.m., it was resolved that the nominal capital of the company be increased from £2,000 (its present amount) to £3,000, by the creation and issue of 1,000 additional shares of £1 each, the said new shares to be paid up by calls of such amount and at such times as the directors may think proper, notwithstanding rule 69 of the company's regulations.

R. ERSKINE,

Manager.

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I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register Eclipse, Limited, as a limited company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be Eclipse, Limited.
2. The place of intended operations is at Thames, in the Hauraki Mining District.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at No. 4, Wyndham Street, City of Auckland.
4. The nominal capital of the company is seven thousand five hundred pounds, in one hundred and fifty thousand shares of one shilling each.
5. The number of shares subscribed for is one hundred and fifty thousand, being not less than two-thirds of the entire number of shares in the company.
6. The number of paid-up shares is fifteen thousand.
7. The amount already paid up is seven hundred and fifty pounds.
8. The name of the Manager is John Hope MacLellan.
9. The names, and addresses, and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

<i>Paid up.</i>	No. of Shares.
Smith, Henry Lomas, Thames, Mining Agent ..	8,500
Winder, Charles James, Thames, Settler ..	5,000
Mowbray, John, Auckland, Estate Agent ..	1,500
	15,000

<i>Contributing.</i>	
The Thames Exploration Syndicate of London and New Zealand (Limited)	135,000
Total	150,000

Dated this 27th day of October, 1898.

J. H. MACLELLAN, Manager.

Witness to signature—Roscoe Reeve, Solicitor, Auckland.

I, John Hope MacLellan, 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 the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. H. MACLELLAN.

Taken before me, this 27th day of October, 1898—Roscoe Reeve, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.

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Private Advertisements.

THE PAHIATUA TOWN HALL COMPANY (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the above company will be held on the 15th day of December, 1898, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of William Tosswill, of Pahiatua, Solicitor.

Business: For the purpose of receiving and considering accounts in connection with the winding-up of the above company, and hearing any explanation thereof that may be required.

Dated this 28th September, 1898.

845 HENRY SEDCOLE,
WILLIAM TOSSWILL, } Liquidators.

I, WILLIAM LAURENCE SIMPSON, Manager of the Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company of New Zealand (Limited), do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare—

1. That the liability of the company is limited.
2. That the capital of the company is £50,000, divided into 10,000 shares of £5 each.
3. That the number of shares issued is 10,000.
4. That calls to the amount of £1 per share have been made, from which the sum of £10,000 has been received.
5. That the amount of money received as executor of estates under administration for the six months to the 30th September, 1898, was £9,790 0s. 1d.
6. That the amount of money paid as executor of estates under administration for the six months to 30th September, 1898, was £10,756 16s. 6d.

7. That the amount of money held as executor of estates under administration was at 30th September, 1898, £102 4s. 1d.

8. That the sum remaining in the company's hands at 30th September, 1898, to the credit of estates for which the company is trustee, which sum is represented by either cash or securities, or both, was £166,891 8s. 1d.

9. That the company's liabilities and assets were as follows:—

	<i>Liabilities.</i>	£	s.	d.
Capital .. .. .	.. .. .	10,000	0	0
Balances due to various constituents .. .. .	.. .. .	4,233	0	4
Reserve fund .. .. .	.. .. .	3,000	0	0
Other liabilities .. .. .	.. .. .	21	5	0
	<i>Assets.</i>			
Cash in banks, and mortgages, and debentures	16,760	8	10	
Balances due by various constituents	1,518	2	5	
Other assets	297	8	9	

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

W. LAURENCE SIMPSON.

Declared this 8th day of November, 1898, before me—
James Hazlett, a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand. 920

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