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Additional Land taken in the Town of Lawrence for the Purposes of the Lawrence Branch of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway.

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

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Lawrence Branch of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to take further land in the Town of Lawrence, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Town of
A. R. P. 0 1 12.4	3	IV.	Lawrence.

In the Land District of Otago; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18434, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Additional Land taken in Tutamoe Survey District for the Purposes of the Kaihu Valley Railway.

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

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Kaihu Valley Railway to take further land in Tutamoe Survey District, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

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

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 2 3 7	Opanake No. 1, 3046 No. 1	XIII.	Tutamoe.
1 2 4.7	Opanake No. 1c	.. XIII.	Tutamoe.

All in the Land District of Auckland; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18439, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red and blue.

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 sixteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

ERRATUM.—In *New Zealand Gazette* No. 4, of the 12th January, 1899, page 46, wherein additional regulations are republished with respect to the entry of engineer students into the British navy, for "Gazette No. 47, of the 20th May, 1898, page 1070," read "Gazette No. 47, of the 20th May, 1897, page 1070."

Additional Land taken in Maruwhenua Survey District for the Purposes of the Dunroon and Hakataramea Branch of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway.

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

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Dunroon and Hakataramea Branch of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to take further land in Maruwhenua Survey District, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 6 0 24	Part of Section 4 and part of closed road	XII.	Maruwhenua.

In the Land District of Otago; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18435, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for State Forest Purposes in the Land District of Taranaki.

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

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby set apart the land described in the Schedule hereto, forming part of the Crown lands in New Zealand, as and for State forests within the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—MEMI SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.		
		A.	R.	P.
20	IV.	585	0	0
10	VII.	281	2	0
11	"	655	0	0
12	"	1,445	0	0
13	VIII.	405	0	0
13	"	383	0	0

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Commissioner of State Forests.

Approved in Council.
ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.		
HOLMESDALE VILLAGE.				
2	VII.	10	2	21
5	"	10	2	36
6	"	11	0	11
7	"	11	0	12
MAKAREWA TOWNSHIP.				
12	II.	5	0	0
4	IX.	13	1	36
CROYDON VILLAGE, HOKONUI SURVEY DISTRICT.				
757	..	11	2	36
769	..	10	0	21
770	..	8	3	25
CENTRE BUSH VILLAGE, HOKONUI SURVEY DISTRICT.				
726	..	28	2	27
731	..	18	3	5
ACKERS VILLAGE, INVERCARGILL HUNDRED.				
97	XX.	18	2	38
104	"	16	3	30

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 twentieth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

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

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the one-hundred-and-seventy-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New

Zealand, do hereby declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall be subject to the provisions of sections one hundred and seventy-two to one hundred and eighty-six of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," relating to small grazing-runs.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—CLIFTON COUNTY.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.
114	XI.	Waitara	A. R. P. 1,486 0 0

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of Lands for Beach Road, Foxton, Kairanga Survey District.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Area.	Being Portions of Sections Nos.	Block.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.					
1 3 10.7	266	I.	Kairanga..	26	Brown.
2 3 10	471	"	" ..	10	
0 0 0.2	470	"	" ..	"	
0 1 3	469	"	" ..	"	
6 1 2	111	"	" ..	"	

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of Roads through Makuri and Mount Cerberus Survey Districts.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony

of New Zealand, with the consent of the lessees of the lands hereinafter mentioned, do by this notice hereby proclaim as roads the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Being Portions of Sections Nos.	Situated in	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.				
2 0 0	15	Block XV., Makuri Survey District	15 ^a ₃₁	Red.
0 3 32	16	Ditto ..	"	"
2 0 30	23	Block VI., Mount Cerberus Survey District	15 ^a ₃₂	"
1 2 0	7	Block X., Mount Cerberus Survey District	"	"

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming a Road as closed through Lands in the Belmont Survey District.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road in the Belmont Survey District hereinafter described.

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Being Road intersecting	Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.				
3 2 5	Section 4, Block XI.	Belmont	17 ^a ₁₂	Green.
0 3 36	Section 5, Block XI.	"	"	"

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Taking Land for a Road-deviation through Private Lands,
Block XI., Belmont Survey District.*

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

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Areas of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Part of Section No.	Situated in Block	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 4 1 3	4	XI.	Belmont	17 ^a	Red.
3 1 23	5	"	"	"	"

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

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming a Road as closed through Land in Tiriraukawa Survey District.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed part of the road in the Tiriraukawa Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Areas of the Portions of Road to be closed.	Being Portion of Road fronting Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 27	2	XII.	Tiriraukawa	27	Green.
8 2 34	3	"	Ditto ..	34	"
2 2 0	4	"	" ..	25	"

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

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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!

Altering Boundaries of Stratford and Clifton Counties.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers conferred by section three of "The Counties Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1895" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), the Stratford County Council and the Clifton County Council respectively did, by an instrument bearing date the tenth day of November last, formally agree that the boundaries of the said counties should be altered to the extent set forth in the said instrument and also in the Schedule hereto: And whereas it is expedient that such alteration of boundaries be approved by the Governor in Council, and that such altered boundary be defined in terms of the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the power and authority conferred by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby order and declare that, on and after the publication of these presents in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the boundaries of the Counties of Stratford and Clifton respectively shall be those set forth under their respective headings in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

STRATFORD COUNTY.

ALL that area in the Taranaki Land District bounded towards the north generally by a right line from the summit of Mount Egmont to the road forming the northern boundary of Section No. 17, Block XVI., Egmont Survey District, at the north-western corner of that section; thence by a line along the middle of that road forming the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 17, 18, 19, and 20 to Darby Road, and thence by a line along the middle of that road to the Waipuku Stream; thence by a line along the middle of that stream to its confluence with the Manganui River; thence by a line along the middle of the Manganui River to a point in line with the southern boundary-line of Section No. 1, Block V., Huiroa Survey District; thence by a right line to and by the southern boundary-line of Blocks V. and VI., Huiroa Survey District, and part of the eastern boundary-line of said Block VI. to the middle of the Mako

Stream; thence by a line along the middle of that stream to a point in line with the southern boundary-line of Section No. 11, Block VII., Huiroa Survey District; thence by a right line to that boundary-line; and thence by Sections Nos. 11 and 18, Block VII. aforesaid, to the Makino Stream; thence by a line along the middle of that stream to its confluence with the Waitara River; and thence by the Clifton County hereinafter described to the confiscation boundary-line: thence towards the north-west by the confiscation boundary-line to the 39th parallel of south latitude: thence again towards the north by that parallel to the middle of the Wanganui River: thence towards the east generally by a line along the middle of that river to its confluence with the Tangarakau River; thence by a right line to Whakaiuwaka Trig. Station; and thence by the western watershed of the Wanganui River to a point in line with the southern boundary of Block VIII., Ngaire Survey District: thence towards the south by a right line to and by the southern boundary of said Block VIII., and the production in a westerly direction of that boundary-line to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 48, Block VI.; thence by the southern boundaries of Blocks VI. and V., said Ngaire Survey District, to the Waingongoro River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to Finnerty Road; thence by a line along the middle of Finnerty Road and Hastings Road to the northern boundary-line of Section No. 32, Block VIII., Kaipokonui Survey District; thence by Sections Nos. 32 and 31, across a road, and by Section No. 29, said Block VIII., to Palmer Road; thence by a line along the middle of that road to the northern boundary of Block XI., Kaipokonui Survey District; and thence by Blocks XI. and X., said Kaipokonui Survey District, to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 1, Block VI.: thence towards the west generally by said Section No. 1, a line across the Opuwake Road, and by Sections Nos. 16, 13, and 11, Block VI., said Kaipokonui Survey District, to the north-eastern corner of the last-mentioned section; and thence by a right line to the summit of Mount Egmont, the place of commencement.

CLIFTON COUNTY.

All that area in the Taranaki Land District bounded towards the north generally by a line along the middle of the Mokau River from the sea to its northernmost source, and thence by a right line to the summit of Mount Rangitoto: thence towards the east generally by a right line to the source of the Ongaruhe River, and by a line along the middle of the Ongaruhe and Wanganui Rivers to the 39th parallel of south latitude: thence towards the south by that parallel to the confiscation boundary-line: thence towards the south-east by that boundary-line to the Te Wera Road: thence towards the south-west generally by a line along the middle of Te Wera Road to the Waitara River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to a point in line with the north-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 18, Block V., Ngatimaru Survey District; thence by a right line to that boundary-line, by said Section No. 18, by Sections Nos. 13 and 9, Block VIII., Huiroa Survey District, to the road along the northern side of the Waitara River; thence by a right line across that road, and to the middle of the Waitara River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to the sea: and thence towards the north-west and west generally by the sea to the mouth of the Mokau River.

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

Altering the Boundaries of the Land Districts of Marlborough, Nelson, Canterbury, and Otago.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twenty-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," certain land districts are defined, but it is provided that the Governor by Order in Council, if he shall deem it necessary, may from time to time alter the boundaries of any land district as he shall think fit:

And whereas it is desirable to alter the boundaries of the Marlborough, Nelson, Canterbury, and Otago Land Districts:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by the hereinbefore in part recited Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby direct and declare that, from and after the date hereof, the boundaries of the said Land Districts of Marlborough, Nelson, Canterbury, and Otago shall be such as are described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Colony of New Zealand bounded towards the north and east and south-east generally by the sea, from the entrance to Pelorus Sound to the mouth of the Conway River; thence towards the south-west generally by a line along the middle of the Conway River and of the Towy River to the source of the latter river; thence by Highfield Run and Run No. 14 (Hoosack) to the Clarence River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to the Acheron River; thence towards the west generally by a line along the middle of the Acheron River to the Guide River, and by a line along the middle of the Guide River to Barefell Pass; thence by a right line running in the direction of Tophouse (the said line forming the north-eastern boundary of St. Helen's Run and part of the north-eastern boundary of Tarndale Run) to the north-eastern corner of the said Tarndale Run; thence by the northern boundary of the Tarndale Run aforesaid to the summit of Raglan Range; thence by the summit of the said Raglan Range to the aforesaid right line drawn from Barefell Pass to Tophouse; thence by the said right line to Tophouse; thence by a right line to Ward's Pass; thence by the summit of the range over Mount Rintoul to the Red Hills, at the source of the Pelorus River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to its confluence with the Heringa River, by a line along the middle of the latter river to its source near Saddle Hill, and thence by the summit of the range over Mount Duppa, Castor Peaks, Elliot Peak, and the leading spur to Elaine Bay; and thence by Pelorus Sound to the sea; including Arapawa Island, Maud Island, Chetwoode Islands, and adjacent islands.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT.

All that area in the Colony of New Zealand bounded towards the north east and north-west generally by the ocean, from Cape Farewell to Pelorus Sound; thence towards the south-east generally by the Marlborough Land District, hereinbefore described, to the boundary between the Tarndale and St. Helen's Runs; thence by the boundary-line between the St. Helen's and Tarndale Runs to the Clarence River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to Lake Tennyson; thence by the eastern shore of that lake and by St. James's Run to the summit of the Spenser Mountains; thence by the summit of the Spenser Mountains over Mount Humboldt and Mount Una, and by the summit of the main watershed over Travers Peak and Mount Barron to Amuri Pass; thence by the summit of the watershed to Hope Pass, and by the summit of the watershed over Mount Stapp to the Hurunui Pass; thence towards the south-west by a right line to where the Arnold River debouches from Lake Brunner; thence by a line along the middle of the Arnold River to the Grey River, and by a line along the middle of the Grey River to the sea; and towards the west generally by the sea to Cape Farewell; including D'Urville Island, Rabbit Island, Pepin Island, and adjacent islands.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

All that area in the Colony of New Zealand bounded towards the north generally by the Nelson and Marlborough Land Districts, hereinbefore described, from the Hurunui Pass to the mouth of the Conway River; thence towards the east generally by the sea to the mouth of the Waitaki River; thence towards the south generally by a line along the middle of the Waitaki to the Ohau River, and by a line along the middle of the Ohau River to Lake Ohau, and thence by a right line drawn in the direction of Mount Aspiring to the western watershed of Lake Ohau; thence towards the west by the western watershed of Lake Ohau and of the Hopkins River, over Mount Huxley to the summit of the Southern Alps at Brodrick's Pass; and thence towards the north-west by the summit of the Southern Alps to the Hurunui Pass aforesaid; including the adjacent islands.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

All that area in the Colony of New Zealand bounded towards the north generally by a right line from the northern side of Big Bay to Mount Aspiring; thence by the summit of the Southern Alps to Brodrick's Pass; thence by the Canterbury Land District, hereinbefore described, to the mouth of the Waitaki River; thence towards the south-east generally by the ocean to the eastern boundary of Waikawa Survey District; thence towards the west generally by the Waikawa, Mokoreta, Slopedown, Waikaka, Chatton, Wendon, Waikaia, Gap, Rockside, and Kingston Survey Districts, and the western shore of Lake Wakatipu; thence towards the south generally by the southern shore of Lake Wakatipu to the western boundary-line of Mid-Wakatipu Survey District; thence by Mid-Wakatipu, Mavora, Swinton, Eglington, Arran, and Doon Survey Districts, a

right line from the north-eastern corner of Doon Survey District to the nearest arm of George Sound, and by George Sound to the ocean; and thence towards the north-west by the ocean to Big Bay; including the adjacent islands.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the Wanganui County Council.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.
WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was permanently set apart as a reserve for road metal on the twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one:

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Land District of Wellington, containing by admeasurement 1 acre, more or less, being Section No. 20, Block IV., Mangawhero Survey District. Bounded on the north by a public road, and on the south by Section No. 50: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting Reserves in the Ashburton Borough Council.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.
WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto have been permanently set apart as reserves for plantation purposes:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to vest the said lands in the Ashburton Borough Council:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," doth hereby declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the reserves mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in "The Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Ashburton," in trust, as reserves for plantation purposes.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 roods 34 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 298x, Town of Ashburton. Bounded towards the north-east by the Cemetery Reserve 298, 1071-7 links; towards the south-east by the South-east Town Belt, 100 links; and towards the south-west by Reserve 3232 and Dobson Street, 1043 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre and 6 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 3232, Town of Ashburton. Bounded towards the north-east by a closed road, being Reserve 298x, 854-3 links; towards the south-east by the South-east Town Belt, 150 links; and towards the south-west by Dobson Street, 811-3 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Native Land proposed to be taken for a Road in Whangara Block, County of Cook.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a public work, to wit, the construction of a road in Whangara Block, County of Cook:

And whereas the said land is 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 land by the Cook 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 purpose of the said road, and the said land shall vest in the Cook County Council as from the fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land to be taken.	Being Portion of	Block and Survey District.	Shown on Plan No.	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 4 0 37	Whangara Block	XIV., Whangara	S.G. 40009	Red.

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of lease, all that piece or parcel of land, containing eighty-nine

acres two roods, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, known as part of Rakautaua No. 1B No. 1, and being part of the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court dated the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, in favour of Hapeta Pitimou; and all that piece or parcel of land, containing eighty-three acres, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, known as part of Rakautaua No. 1B No. 2, and being part of the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court dated the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, in favour of Utiku te Ki.

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

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of lease, the block or parcel of land known as Te Amo-o-te-rangi No. 1, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland. Bounded on the north by the Ngutu-o-te-moana Block, on the east by the Te Poro-o-te-ngohi-moana Nos. 1 and 2 Blocks, on the south by the Warawarakaina Block, and on the west by the Te Amo-o-te-rangi No. 2 Block and the Waihou River to the commencing-point, and containing ten acres two roods eight perches, more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), for a limited period or otherwise, and either generally or for such purposes and subject to such restrictions as shall be in such Order specified, any land, wheresoever situate, which is for the time being subject to the operation of the said section, or any interest therein or right over the same, or may in like manner make such exception in favour exclusively of any lessee or other person who has been *bonâ fide* in occupation of and has made improvements on such land, or has paid money to Native owners for lease or purchase thereof prior to the passing of the said Act: Provided

that no Order in Council under the provisions of this section shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided, also, that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of lease, all that area of land, not exceeding six hundred and forty acres, being part of the block or parcel of land known as Section 23, Ngarara West C, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, and being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. lxxx., folio 116.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of mortgage to the Government Advances to Settlers Office Superintendent, the blocks or parcels of land mentioned and particularised in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing 670 acres, more or less, known as Subdivision 9 of Ruanui No. 1. Bounded on the north by Subdivisions 8 and 10 of Ruanui No. 1, 7599 links and 8126.1 links respectively; on the east by Subdivisions 6 and 7, 3140 links and 2356.7 links respectively; on the south by Subdivision 6, 8197.3 links, and by the Omarae Stream; and on the west by the Turakina River. Being the whole of the land comprised in and described by certificate of title in the District Land Registry Office, at Wellington, Vol. xcvi., folio 172.

All that piece or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing 1,161 acres, more or less, known as Subdivision No. 1r of the Raketapauma Block. Bounded on the north, 5256.8 links, by the adjoining land known as Raketapauma Block 1c; on the north-east, 9750.0 links, by the adjoining Block No. 1i; on the south-east, 12649.8 links, by the adjoining Block No. 1h; and on the west, 17110.5 links, by the adjoining Block No. 1z. Being the whole of the land comprised in and described by the provisional title in the office of the District Land Registrar at Wellington, Vol. iii., folio 157.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Conferring Jurisdiction on Native Land Court.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section fourteen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is enacted that the Native Land Court shall, as regards all lands within the meaning of subsection ten of section fourteen aforesaid, have jurisdiction as in the said subsection mentioned: Provided that the Court shall not proceed to exercise such jurisdiction unless the Governor in Council shall by Order authorise the same to be done:

And whereas the land specified in the Schedule hereto is land in respect whereof the Court has jurisdiction as aforesaid, and it is expedient that the Court should be authorised to exercise the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby authorise the said Court to exercise in respect of the said land the jurisdiction conferred as aforesaid—that is to say, to determine whether or not the said land or any part thereof was, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such land, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such land, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection ten of section fourteen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1,470 acres, more or less, situate in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, known as Kaiwaitau Block.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 13 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 36, Block VII., Oero Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 37, 1710.6 links; towards the south-east by a road, 790 links; towards the south-west by Section No. 35, 1724.5 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 40, 788.6 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on Plan No. 828, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Napier.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twelfth section of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred, save as is therein mentioned, to any person or persons, for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order, and that every such delegation may from time to time in like manner be altered or revoked: And whereas, pursuant to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," by an Order in Council of even date herewith, the land described in the Schedule thereto, situate in the Hawke's Bay Land District, and being Section No. 36, Block VII., Oero Survey District, is declared to be brought under the operation of and to be subject to the provisions of the said "Public Domains Act, 1881":

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth by this present Order delegate all the powers conferred by the Act first above mentioned, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Elsthorpe Domain Board, namely,—

JOHN STOCKMAN BUCHANAN,
WILLIAM FLETCHER,
THOMAS HAYCOCK,
DONALD SUTHERLAND, and
CHARLES WEDD

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the second Monday in each month, at seven o'clock p.m., at Mr. J. S. Buchanan's woolshed, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Monday, the thirteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

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

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

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

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Public Domains Act, 1881," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby revoke a certain Order in Council, dated the fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, making delegation of certain powers in

manner as therein appears; and doth, with the like advice and consent, by this present Order, delegate, but only with respect to the pieces or parcels of land described in the Schedule hereto, all the powers conferred by the Act aforesaid, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Hunterville Domain Board, namely,—

JAMES ARTHUR PAWSON,
JOHN H. NORRIS,
WILLIAM MELDRUM,
ALEXANDER HOWIE WILSON,
HENRY VALDER,
HARRY SUTCLIFFE,
ALEXANDER ROSS,
STEPHEN BROOKER, and
FREDERIC MARSHALL

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Land District of Wellington, containing by admeasurement 9 acres 1 rood 4 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 17, 18, 25, 26, 33, and 54, Hunterville, Ongo Survey District. Bounded on the north by Sections Nos. 121, 122, and 10, 1000 links; on the east by a public road, 1024 links; on the south by a public road, 1018 links; and on the west by Section No. 53, 832 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Survey Office, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Land District of Wellington, containing by admeasurement 17 acres 3 roods 8 perches, more or less, being Section No. 35, Block XV., Tiriraukawa Survey District. Bounded on the north by a public road, 1970 links; on the south-east by Section No. 25, 735 links; on the south-west by Poukiore No. 1 Block, 1866 links; and on the north-west by Section No. 36, 821 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Survey Office, Wellington.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Notice of Intention to change the Purpose of a Reserve in the Auckland 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

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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 Athenæum.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being part of Section No. 3 of the Parish of Mangapai, and containing by admeasurement 3 roods, more or less. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 392 links; towards the east by a public road, 192 links; and towards the south and west by other portion of Section No. 3 of the Parish of Mangapai, 438 and 182 links respectively, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Intention to change the Purpose of a Reserve in the Auckland 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 of 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 site for a public hall to a site for a Public Library, Mechanics' Institute, and Athenæum.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 156b of the Parish of Omaha, and containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east and south-east by Section No. 156A of the Parish of Omaha, 250 and 200 links respectively; towards the south-west by Section No. 156b of the Parish of Omaha, 250 links; and towards the north-west by a public road, 200 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Removal of Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the owners of the land described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such land contained in the Native Land Court certificate of title bearing date the twentieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and now contained in partition order of the Native Land Court bearing date the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 522 acres 1 rood 18 perches, more or less, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, being the land known as Wairere No. 1, held under partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the 1st November, 1897, in favour of Hanikamu te Hiko and others, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable, except with the consent of the Governor, by sale, or by mortgage, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years from the making of any such lease."

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

W. C. WALKER.
For the Native Minister.

Notifying Lands in Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Hokianga County.

WAIPOUA Survey District, Block I., Section 13: 300 acres; total upset price, £400. Contains about 450,000 sup. ft. of kauri timber, and comprises undulating pastoral land, well watered. One mile from Kawerua boat-landing, south of Hokianga Heads.

Hobson County.

Kaihu Survey District, Section 1, Block III.: 81½ acres; total upset price, £557. Contains 291 kauri-trees, or about 873,641 sup. ft. timber. Three miles from Maropui Railway-station. Good land, covered with mixed forest.

Tutamoe Survey District, Section 4, Block XIV.: 582 acres; total upset price, £2,767. Contains 1,231 kauri-trees, or about 4,093,712 sup. ft. timber, and comprises good land, covered with mixed forest. Three miles from Maropui Railway-station.

Mangonui East Parish (Mangonui County).

Section 46A: 23 acres 3 roods; total upset price, £12. Open land, on Maungaroa Creek, opposite Township of Mangonui.

Suburbs of Weymouth.

Lot 11: 3 acres 3 roods 35 perches; total upset price, £7 18s. 9d.

Lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 (together): 22 acres 2 roods 30 perches; £45 7s. 6d.

Lot 33: 13 acres 3 roods 36 perches; £28.

Lot 34: 21 acres 2 roods 29 perches; £43 7s. 6d.

Lot 35: 16 acres and 8 perches; £32 2s. 6d.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Changing the Purpose of a Reserve in the Town of Waiau.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS the provisions and the requirements of the seventh section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," have been duly complied with in respect of the land described in the first column of the Schedule hereto: And whereas notices in the *Gazette* have been duly published for four consecutive weeks, and laid before both Houses of the Assembly, as provided by the ninth section of the said Act: And whereas no resolution of either House of Assembly has been passed that such House does not concur in the intention declared in any such notice:

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

SCHEDULE.

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-ninth day of March, 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.
TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

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

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.				
Hawera	Ngaire	94	X.	188	0	0	2	12	6	493	10	0	2	7	5	12	6	9	2	1	2	9	17	6
	"	95	"	222	0	0	2	12	6	582	15	0	2	7	5	14	11	5	2	1	2	11	13	2

The above sections comprise partly open and partly white-pine swamp, with a little dry land on Rawhitiroa Road; distance from Eltham Railway-station, about two miles.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Clifton	Mimi	16	VIII.	1,656	0	0	0	12	6	1,035	0	0	0	7	5	25	17	6	0	6	20	14	0	
	"	7	XII.																					
	"	15	VIII.	1,795	0	0	0	12	6	1,121	17	6	0	7	5	28	1	0	0	6	22	8	9	
	"	31	IX.																					
	"	4	XII.	661	0	0	0	15	0	495	15	0	0	9		12	7	11	0	7	2	9	18	4
	"	9	XIII.	250	0	0	1	0	0	250	0	0	1	0		6	5	0	0	9	6	5	0	0

This block comprises hilly and undulating forest land, suitable for pastoral pursuits; soil fair to good, well watered; timber consists of rimu, rata, tawa, hinau, matai, tawhero, &c.; papa-and-sandstone formation. Distant from Urenui sixteen to twenty-nine miles, twenty-five of which are formed and a certain distance gravelled; distant from Mokau River fourteen to twenty-two miles.

Stratford	Pouatu	12	XI.	688	0	0	0	15	0	516	0	0	0	9	12	18	0	0	7	2	10	6	5	
"	"	13	"	510	0	0	0	15	0	382	10	0	0	9	9	11	3	0	7	2	7	13	0	
"	"	4	XIV.	433	0	0	0	17	6	378	17	6	0	10	5	9	9	6	0	8	4	7	11	7
"	"	5	"	481	0	0	0	17	6	420	17	6	0	10	5	10	10	6	0	8	4	8	8	5
"	"	6	"	916	0	0	0	17	6	801	10	0	0	10	5	20	0	9	0	8	4	16	0	8
"	"	12	"	292	0	0	1	0	0	292	0	0	1	0	7	6	0	0	9	6	5	16	10	
"	"	2	XV.	695	0	0	0	15	0	521	5	0	0	9	13	0	4	0	7	2	10	8	6	
"	"	15	"	845	0	0	0	12	6	528	2	6	0	7	5	13	4	1	0	6	10	11	3	
"	"	16	"	580	0	0	0	15	0	435	0	0	0	9	10	17	6	0	7	2	8	14	0	
"	"	17	"	682	0	0	0	17	6	596	15	0	0	10	5	14	18	5	0	8	4	11	18	9

These sections comprise rough pastoral country covered with timber, principally of tawa, tawhero, matai, miro, konini, mahoe, and the usual undergrowth. There is a small quantity of rimu, matai, and kahikatea in the valleys. The hills rise from 600 ft. to 900 ft. above the valleys. A large portion of the forest on Section 15 has been destroyed by fire, but the second growth of scrub is high and thick. The formation is papa, and is well watered. Access to the sections in Block XI., and to Section 2, Block XV., is by Mauku Road; distant about three miles from the main road, and about thirty-two miles from Strathmore Township. Access to all other sections (save Section 6, Block XIV.) is by Putikituna Road, which branches from Ohura Road to the Tangarakau River, a distance of eight miles and a half, the bush being felled and road cleared to the river. A bridle-road, 8 ft. wide, is formed six miles and a half from Ohura Road. Access is also gained by canoe up the Whanganui and Tangarakau Rivers; distance from Strathmore, about thirty-five miles.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. JOHN MCKENZIE, Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-second day of March, 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.
AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.		Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.												
				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.							
Hobson	Kaihu	2	III.	395	0	0	12	6	246	17	6	0	7	5	6	3	6	0	6	4	18	9
"	"	3	"	305	0	0	12	6	190	12	6	0	7	5	4	15	4	0	6	3	6	3
"	"	4	"	226	1	0	12	6	141	5	0	0	7	5	3	10	8	0	6	2	16	6
"	"	5	"	190	0	0	12	6	118	15	0	0	7	5	2	19	5	0	6	2	7	6
"	"	6	"	310	2	0	12	6	194	7	6	0	7	5	4	17	3	0	6	3	17	9
"	"	7	"	264	0	0	12	6	165	0	0	0	7	5	4	2	6	0	6	3	6	0
"	"	8	"	298	0	0	12	6	186	5	0	0	7	5	4	13	6	0	6	3	14	9
"	"	9	"	309	0	0	12	6	193	2	6	0	7	5	4	16	7	0	6	3	17	3
"	"	10	"	130	0	0	12	6	81	5	0	0	7	5	2	0	8	0	6	1	12	6
"	"	11	"	155	2	0	12	6	97	10	0	0	7	5	2	8	9	0	6	1	19	0
"	"	12	"	170	1	0	12	6	106	5	0	0	7	5	2	13	2	0	6	2	2	6
"	"	13	"	154	2	0	12	6	96	17	6	0	7	5	2	8	6	0	6	1	18	9
"	Tutamoe	5	XV.	155	0	0	12	6	96	17	6	0	7	5	2	8	6	0	6	1	18	9
"	"	6	"	150	0	0	12	6	93	15	0	0	7	5	2	6	10	0	6	1	17	6
"	"	7	"	202	2	0	12	6	126	17	6	0	7	5	3	3	6	0	6	2	10	9
"	"	8	"	513	0	0	12	6	320	12	6	0	7	5	8	0	4	0	6	6	8	3
"	"	9	"	272	0	0	12	6	170	0	0	0	7	5	4	5	0	0	6	8	8	0
"	"	10	"	357	2	0	12	6	223	15	0	0	7	5	5	11	10	0	6	4	9	6

All good land, and well watered; undulating to broken, and covered with mixed forest; situated three miles from Maropiu and Taita Railway-station, and ten miles from Dargaville by track.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. JOHN MCKENZIE, Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided; do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-second day of February, 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.

HAWKE'S BAY 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.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.			
Waipawa ..	Tahbraite	2	VIII.	160	0	0	1	12	6	260	0	0	1	7.5	6	10	0	1	3.6	5	4	0

Undulating and level agricultural land covered with timber, consisting of rimu and kahikatea, with some matai and a few totara; the bush has been partially destroyed by fire; the soil is good; papa formation, and the section is well watered. Accessible by road from Dannevirke, distant eight miles and a half.

Waipawa ..	Mangatoro	1	I.	181	2	0	1	7	6	250	5	0	1	4.5	6	5	2	1	1	5	0	0
" ..	"	2	"	212	0	0	1	7	6	291	10	0	1	4.5	7	5	9	1	1	5	16	7
" ..	"	3	"	130	2	0	1	7	6	180	2	6	1	4.5	4	10	1	1	1	3	12	0
" ..	"	4	"	278	2	0	1	7	6	383	12	6	1	4.5	9	11	10	1	1	7	13	6
" ..	"	5	"	373	0	0	1	7	6	512	17	6	1	4.5	12	16	5	1	1	10	5	2
" ..	"	6	"	204	0	0	1	7	6	280	10	0	1	4.5	7	0	3	1	1	5	12	3
" ..	"	7	"	195	2	0	1	7	6	269	10	0	1	4.5	6	14	9	1	1	5	7	10
" ..	"	8	"	222	2	0	1	7	6	306	12	6	1	4.5	7	13	4	1	1	6	2	8
" ..	"	9	"	381	0	0	1	7	6	523	17	6	1	4.5	13	2	0	1	1	10	6	5

The land is all covered with mixed timber, consisting chiefly of rimu, kahikatea, and tawa, with some matai and totara, and which has been partially destroyed by fire; the soil is good; papa formation, and on Sections 7 and 8 with limestone outcrop; the country is well watered, and chiefly of an undulating or broken nature, well adapted for pastoral purposes. On Section 1 there are about 40 acres of flat land; Section 4 has some good flats, but is somewhat cut up with ravines, and about half of Section 5 is flat land. This block is distant from nine to thirteen miles from Dannevirke.

Waipawa ..	Mangatoro	8	II.	363	2	0	1	7	6	500	10	0	1	4.5	12	10	3	1	1	10	0	3
" ..	"	9	"	300	2	0	1	2	6	338	12	6	1	1.5	8	9	4	0	10.8	6	15	6
" ..	"	10	"	239	0	0	1	7	6	328	12	6	1	4.5	8	4	4	1	1	6	11	6
" ..	"	11	"	455	0	0	1	2	6	511	17	6	1	1.5	12	16	0	0	10.8	10	4	10
" ..	"	12	"	588	0	0	1	2	6	661	10	0	1	1.5	16	10	9	0	10.8	13	4	7
" ..	"	13	"	348	0	0	1	7	6	478	10	0	1	4.5	11	19	3	1	1	9	11	5
" ..	"	14	"	309	0	0	1	7	6	424	17	6	1	4.5	10	12	6	1	1	8	10	0

Covered with mixed timber, partially destroyed by fire, consisting of rimu, kahikatea, tawa, with some matai, and an occasional totara; there is also dense undergrowth on most of the sections. Good soil, papa formation, with limestone outcrop on Sections 9 and 14; on Section 8 there are about 50 acres of flat land, the balance being easy ranges, intersected by many gullies; the remainder of the block is broken and undulating country, well adapted for pastoral purposes, the elevation ranging from 800 ft. to 15,000 ft. Accessible by road from Dannevirke, distant from thirteen to sixteen miles, or from Ormondville about fourteen miles.

Waipawa ..	Mangatoro	1	V.	163	0	0	1	7	6	224	2	6	1	4.5	5	12	1	1	1	4	9	8
" ..	"	2	"	228	2	0	1	7	6	314	17	6	1	4.5	7	17	5	1	1	6	5	11
" ..	"	3	"	240	2	0	1	7	6	331	7	6	1	4.5	8	5	8	1	1	6	12	7
" ..	"	4	"	166	0	0	1	7	6	228	5	0	1	4.5	5	14	2	1	1	4	11	4
" ..	"	5	"	285	0	0	1	7	6	391	17	6	1	4.5	9	16	0	1	1	7	16	10
" ..	"	6	"	241	0	0	1	7	6	331	7	6	1	4.5	8	5	8	1	1	6	12	7
" ..	"	7	"	209	0	0	1	2	6	235	2	6	1	1.5	5	17	7	0	10.8	4	14	1
" ..	"	8	"	267	0	0	1	10	0	400	10	0	1	6	10	0	3	1	2.4	8	0	3
" ..	"	9	"	419	0	0	1	7	6	576	2	6	1	4.5	14	8	1	1	1	11	10	6
" ..	"	10	"	422	0	0	1	2	6	474	15	0	1	1.5	11	17	5	0	10.8	9	9	11
" ..	"	11	"	306	0	0	1	7	6	420	15	0	1	4.5	10	10	5	1	1	8	8	4
" ..	"	12	"	299	0	0	1	2	6	336	7	6	1	1.5	8	8	2	0	10.8	6	14	7
" ..	"	13	"	287	0	0	1	2	6	322	17	6	1	1.5	8	1	5	0	10.8	6	9	2
" ..	"	14	"	282	0	0	1	7	6	387	15	0	1	4.5	9	13	10	1	1	7	15	1

Covered with timber, partially destroyed by fire, consisting of rimu, kahikatea, matai, and tawa, with a little totara. On Sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8 the land near the frontage is generally easy and undulating country, the rest being high and broken land, running up at the back to about 1,000 ft. On Section 2 there are about 50 acres of nearly flat land, and on Section 3 about 40 acres; the rest of the block is somewhat steep and broken country, running from 800 ft. to 1,900 ft. at the back. The land is all well watered, and the soil is good, with papa formation and limestone outcrop. The block is accessible by road from Dannevirke, distant eight miles and a half to thirteen miles, according to the position of sections.

Waipawa ..	Mangatoro	1	VI.	475	0	0	1	7	6	653	2	6	1	4.5	16	6	7	1	1	13	1	3
" ..	"	2	"	335	0	0	1	7	6	460	12	6	1	4.5	11	10	4	1	1	9	4	3
" ..	"	3	"	389	0	0	1	2	6	437	12	6	1	1.5	10	18	10	0	10.8	8	15	1
" ..	"	5	"	583	0	0	1	2	6	655	17	6	1	1.5	16	8	0	0	10.8	13	2	5
" ..	"	6	"	461	0	0	1	2	6	518	12	6	1	1.5	12	19	4	0	10.8	10	7	6
" ..	"	7	"	530	0	0	1	5	0	662	10	0	1	3	16	11	3	1	0	13	5	0
" ..	"	8	"	640	0	0	1	2	6	720	0	0	1	1.5	18	0	0	0	10.8	14	8	0
" ..	"	9	"	648	0	0	1	0	0	648	0	0	1	0	16	4	0	0	9.6	12	19	3*
" ..	"	10	"	913	0	0	1	0	0	913	0	0	1	0	22	16	6	0	9.6	18	5	3*

Covered with mixed timber, consisting of rimu, kahikatea, matai, tawa, hinau, and rata, with a little totara. Rough broken country, ranging in altitude from 800 ft. to 1,900 ft., with a little flat and undulating land in places. Nearly all well sheltered and watered, and well adapted for pastoral purposes. Good soil, papa formation, with limestone outcrop. Accessible by road from Dannevirke, distant from thirteen miles and a half to fifteen miles.

* Second-class land.

General Description of Land.

The above-mentioned sections form portion of the Ngapaeruru Block, which is situate to the eastward of the Town of Dannevirke, and comprise all the forest country between the Waikopiro Settlement and the well-known Mangatoro Estate. The nearest section is distant eight miles and a half from Dannevirke, and most of the sections about fourteen miles. Of the latter distance, nine miles is along the main Dannevirke-Weber coach-road, which is metalled and in good repair. The areas of the sections range from 130 acres to 913 acres. Speaking generally, the land is undulating, and varies in altitude from 600 ft. to 1,950 ft. above sea-level, but a great proportion of it is under 1,200 ft. The flats are heavily timbered with rimu and kahikatea, which are the principal timbers on the Ngapaeruru Block. Matai also is common, but totara is only seen occasionally. Bush-fires have, unfortunately, destroyed large quantities of the timber. The soil is of good quality, and very suitable for dairying and pastoral purposes. Papa formation obtains throughout, with limestone outcrop on most of the high ranges and spurs. This land is well watered. Besides the Manawatu and Mangatoro Rivers, there are several large streams which will probably supply permanent water to most of the sections. A sum of money is now being expended in making roads throughout the block, and the bush has already been felled 1 chain wide on all the roads in the portion to be opened.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-second day of March, 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.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.								
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.							
					A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Hokianga..	Pupuke*	S.W.22		74 0 0	8 0	29 12 0	0 4 8	0 14 10	0 3 84	0 11 10	Broken land, covered with mixed forest; soil fair. Situated on the Wainui River, about nine miles from Kaeo.						
Hokianga..	Omapere	14	IX.	110 3 12	10 0	55 10 0	0 6	1 7 9	0 4 8	1 2 3	Open and forest land; good clay soil; chiefly undulating land, and well watered. Four miles from Okaihau Post-office.						
Hobson ..	Kaihu	14	I.	106 2 0	7 6	40 2 6	0 4 5	1 0 1	0 3 6	0 16 1	Two-thirds open land, balance mixed forest, with sufficient kauri for building purposes. Four miles from Opanake Railway-station.						
Rodney ..	Otamatea	1	XVI.	190 3 13	6 0	57 6 0	0 3 6	1 8 8	0 2 88	1 2 11	Chiefly open fern land; clay soil and limestone; well watered; access by road. Five miles from Port Albert.						
Manukau	Mangatawhiri	185A		45 0 0	7 6	16 17 6	0 4 5	0 8 6	0 3 6	0 6 9	Generally open land, undulating to broken. Eight miles from Pokeno Railway-station.						
Waikato ..	Kirikiroa*	52		50 1 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0	Section 52 all swamp, easily drained; six miles from Hamilton by good road. Sections 53 and 54 about fifty acres tea-tree land, balance swamp, easily drained; five miles from Hamilton by good road.						
"	"	53, 54		157 0 0	10 0	78 10 0	0 6	1 19 3	0 4 8	1 11 5							
Bay of Islds.	Okokako*	19		19 2 0	8 0	8 0 0	0 4 8	0 4 0	0 3 84	0 3 3	Open land. Three miles and a half from Waimate North.						
Raglan ..	Waipa*	89		50 0 0	12 0	30 0 0	0 7 2	0 15 0	0 5 76	0 12 0	Open and mixed-forest land. Situated on main coach-road, Ngaruawahia to Waingaro Hot Springs; two miles from new Waipa Bridge.						
Mangonui..	Waiake*	N. 21		116 2 0	6 0	35 2 0	0 3 6	0 17 7	0 2 88	0 14 1	Generally open land, midway between Awanui and Taipa. Part Section 21 contains some kahikatea forest.						
"	"	N.E.38		86 1 16	6 0	25 16 0	0 3 6	0 12 11	0 2 88	0 10 4							
"	"	41		89 0 36	6 0	26 14 0	0 3 6	0 13 4	0 2 88	0 10 8							

* Parish.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-eighth day of March, 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.
WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.															
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.														
FIRST-CLASS LAND.																								
<i>Marton No. 3 Block.</i>																								
				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.						
Wanganui..	Manganui..	6	XIV.	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0	
" ..	" ..	3	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
" ..	" ..	12	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0	
" ..	" ..	13	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0	
" ..	" ..	11	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0	
" ..	" ..	18	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
" ..	" ..	22	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
" ..	" ..	23	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
" ..	" ..	1	XIII.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
" ..	" ..	2	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
" ..	" ..	4	"	202	0	0	1	5	0	252	10	0	1	3	6	6	3	1	0	5	1	0	0	
" ..	" ..	5	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
<i>Waimarino Block.</i>																								
Wanganui..	Manganui..	1	XV.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
<i>Pukeokahu Block.</i>																								
Hawke's Bay	Pukeokahu..	1	VI.	350	0	0	1	6	0	455	0	0	1	3	11	7	6	1	0	48	9	2	0	
FIRST- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.																								
<i>Rising Sun Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	{ 7	I.	200	0	0	1	2	6	321	5	0	1	1	8	0	8	0	10	8	6	8	6*	
" ..	" ..	{ Pt. 6	"	110	0	0	0	17	6	0	10	5	0	10	5	0	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	
" ..	" ..	{ 4	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	9	6	4	0	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 5	"	527	0	0	0	12	6	329	7	6	0	7	8	4	9	0	6	6	11	9	†	
" ..	" ..	{ 10	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	*	
" ..	" ..	{ 11	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 11	II.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 18	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 20	"	540	0	0	1	7	6	742	10	0	1	4	18	15	3	1	1	2	14	17	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 21	"	400	0	0	1	7	6	550	0	0	1	4	13	15	0	1	1	2	11	0	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 23	"	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 24	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	*	
" ..	" ..	{ 25	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	*	
" ..	" ..	{ 26	"	200	0	0	0	15	0	150	0	0	0	9	3	15	0	0	7	2	3	0	†	
" ..	" ..	{ 27	"	440	0	0	0	12	6	275	0	0	0	7	6	17	6	0	6	6	5	10	†	
" ..	" ..	{ 38	IV.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0*	
" ..	" ..	{ 46	XII.	400	0	0	0	17	6	350	0	0	0	10	5	8	15	0	0	8	4	7	0	†
FIRST-CLASS LAND.																								
<i>Coonor Block.</i>																								
Pahiatua ..	Makuri ..	18	VII.	200	0	0	1	3	5	234	3	4	1	2	5	17	1	0	11	24	4	13	8	
<i>Pahiatua No. 1 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	{ 13E	VI.	418	0	0	1	0	0	418	0	0	1	0	10	9	0	0	9	6	8	7	3	
" ..	" ..	{ 14	"	140	0	0	1	5	0	175	0	0	1	3	4	7	6	1	0	3	10	0	0	
<i>Wairarapa No. 2 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	12	V.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
<i>Wairarapa No. 3 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	24	V.	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0	1	4	3	8	9	1	1	2	2	15	0	
<i>Wairarapa No. 4 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	26	V.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0	
<i>Wairarapa No. 5 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	28	V.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0	
<i>Wairarapa No. 6 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	11	X.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0	1	1	5	12	6	0	10	8	4	10	0	
" ..	" ..	12	"	300	0	0	1	2	6	337	10	0	1	1	5	8	8	9	0	10	8	6	15	0
<i>Wairarapa No. 7 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Makuri ..	19	XI.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	
<i>Wairarapa No. 8 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Makuri ..	20	XV.	200	1	4	1	10	0	300	8	3	1	6	7	10	3	1	2	4	6	0	2	
<i>Wairarapa No. 9 Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Mt. Cerberus	24	IV.	250	0	0	1	10	0	375	0	0	1	6	9	7	6	1	2	4	7	10	0	
SECOND-CLASS LAND.																								
<i>Kaiparoro Block.</i>																								
WairarapaN.	Tararua ..	3	IX.	500	0	0	1	2	6	562	10	0	1	1	14	1	3	0	10	8	11	5	0	

Weighted with £60 for improvements. The Eketahuna Road Board has a claim against this section of £3 8s. 8d. for rates.

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

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Taranaki, Wellington, Otago, and Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column.	Record Number.	
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Purpose for which Land reserved.		
Auckland	Onewhero S.D.	8	XIV.	A. R. P. 4 2 11	Public cemetery	39504	
	"	7	XVI.	364 0 0	Primary education	"	
	"	12	XII.	2 0 0	Metal reserve	"	
	"	26	VII.	10 0 0	Public-school site	"	
	"	21	"	36 2 0	Primary education	"	
	"	Onewhero S.D.	5	XIV.	6 1 23	Public-school site	"
	"	Otau Parish	67	"	704 0 0	Primary education	"
	"	Maramarua S.D.	9, 10	XIII.	558 0 0	"	"
	"	Onewhero S.D.	11	IX.	10 0 0	Public-school site	"
	"	Awakino North S.D.	23	VII.	3 0 0	Metal reserve	"
	"	"	39	"	2 0 0	"	"
	"	Village of Awakino	48	"	1 0 0	Site for public buildings of the General Government	"
	"	"	56	"	1 0 0	Municipal purposes	"
	"	Onewhero S.D.	4A	XVI.	4 0 0	Public cemetery	"
	Taranaki	Maramarua S.D.	13	XIII.	10 0 0	Public-school site	"
Kawakawa S.D.		18	XVI.	0 0 39	Public-library site	39734	
Tarawera S.D.		5	I.	25 3 8	Public cemetery	39120	
Mimi S.D.		24	XI.	5 2 0	Public-school site	38199	
Wellington	Whangamomona Town	8	"	0 0 34	Public buildings of the General Government	39558	
	Ditto	16	"	2 3 30	Public recreation-ground	"	
	Mangawhero S.D.	50	IV.	31 2 0	Preservation of forest and scenery	39495	
	"	50A	"	10 0 0	Resting-place for travelling stock	"	
	Puketoi S.D.	12	II.	78 3 32	Primary education	39494	
	"	14	"	1 1 37	Gravel reserve	"	
	Tiriraukawa S.D.	2	I.	4 2 0	Public-school site	39621	
	Hautapu S.D.	12	XV.	100 3 0	Preservation of forest and scenery	39732	
	Ongo S.D.	31	XVI.	17 0 0	"	"	
	"	1	"	8 0 16	Public recreation-ground	"	
	Rushine S.D.	17	IX.	117 0 0	Preservation of forest and scenery	39730	
	Makuri S.D.	50	II.	5 0 0	For use of caretaker of rabbit-fence	39613	
	"	67A	IX.	12 1 0	Public-school site	"	
	"	48	II.	2 0 0	Gravel	"	
	"	49	"	2 0 0	"	"	
	"	57	"	1 0 0	"	"	
	"	40	III.	1 0 0	"	"	
	"	43	"	4 2 0	"	"	
	"	45	"	7 0 0	"	"	
	"	74	V.	2 1 20	"	"	
"	77	"	5 0 0	"	"		
"	10	XI.	2 1 0	"	"		
"	68	XII.	2 0 0	"	"		
"	26	XIV.	4 0 0	"	"		
"	27	"	1 1 0	"	"		
"	28	"	3 0 0	"	"		
Otago	Maruvenua S.D. (Tokarahi Estate)	51	VII.	10 0 0	Public-school site	39522	
Southland	Limehills Town	1	IV.	0 1 0	Public recreation-ground	23120	
	East Winton Town	31	V.	4 0 16	Municipal	38939	
	"	13	"	0 0 25	"	38421	

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands permanently reserved.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

And whereas by the two-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of the said Act it is provided that land temporarily reserved under the said two-hundred-and-thirty-fifth section may, at the expiration of one month but not later than six months after the publication in the Gazette of notice of such temporary reservation, be permanently reserved, and that notice of such permanent reservation shall be published in the Gazette:

And whereas the lands specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto were, by the warrant the date of which is specified in the third column of the said Schedule, and the notification of which was published in the Gazette specified in the fourth column, temporarily reserved under the authority of the said Act for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby permanently reserve the lands so temporarily reserved as aforesaid, and enumerated in the first column of the Schedule hereto, for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule, being the same purposes for which the said lands were so temporarily reserved as aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column.	Third Column.	Fourth Column.
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Purpose for which Land reserved.	Date of Warrant.	Gazette.
Auckland ..	Parish of Kōmakorau	242	..	A. R. P. 5 2 0	Public cemetery ..	1898. 31 Oct.	1898. No. 79, 3 Nov.
" ..	Village of Upper Tuakau	7	..	2 1 23	Railway purposes ..	"	"
Wellington	Town of Ohakune..	1, 2, 3, 4	..	1 0 0	Public-school site ..	"	"
"	Suburbs of Ohakune	38, 39	..	12 2 14	" ..	"	"
"	Rangitoto S.D. ..	45	XV.	2 0 0	Gravel reserve ..	"	"
"	" ..	46	"	2 0 0	" ..	"	"
"	" ..	47	"	1 0 0	" ..	"	"
"	Village of Tutaekara Mangahao S.D.	52	..	0 2 16	Public-school site ..	"	"
"	Suburbs of Makuri	146	XIV.	7 0 10	Public cemetery ..	"	"
"	"	151	..	11 1 18	Site for reservoir ..	"	"
"	Waitohu S.D. ..	31	VII.	3 2 21	Gravel reserve ..	"	"
"	Kaitawa S.D. ..	55	X.	2 2 0	" ..	"	"
"	" ..	8	XII.	4 3 12	Public-school site ..	"	"
"	Waiopahu S.D. ..	1	XIII.	5 2 0	" ..	"	"
"	Town of Shannon ..	703 (Buckley Square)	..	5 3 0	Public recreation-ground	"	"
"	Akatarawa S.D. ..	14	IX.	20 3 0	Gravel reserve ..	"	"
"	Sub's of Pohangina	5	..	3 2 4	Rubbish depot ..	"	"
"	"	10	..	1 3 28	Public cemetery ..	"	"
"	Porirua District—Belmont S.D.	Lots 2 and 3 of Sections 1 and 2	XI.	31 1 0	Public domain ..	"	"
Marlborough	Gore S.D. ..	5	VII.	3 0 0	Public-school site ..	"	"
"	" ..	6	"	3 0 0	Public landing-place..	"	"
"	" ..	16, 17	"	6 0 0	Resting-place for travelling stock	"	"
"	" ..	1	VIII.	3 0 0	Public-school site ..	"	"
"	Arapawa S.D. ..	25	I.	3 0 0	" ..	"	"
"	Gore S.D. ..	10	XII.	3 0 0	" ..	"	"
"	" ..	11	XI.	3 1 0	Public landing-place..	"	"
"	" ..	5	"	3 1 0	Resting-place for travelling stock	"	"
"	" ..	3	X.	3 0 0	Public-school site ..	"	"
"	" ..	17	VI.	3 0 0	Resting place for travelling stock	"	"

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Elsthorpe Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the several persons whose names are specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
John Stockman Buchanan, William Fletcher, Thomas Haycock, Donald Sutherland, and Charles Wedd.	ELSTHORPE. All that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Section No. 54, Block VII., Oero Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 47, 500 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 47, 400 links; towards the south-west by Section No. 47, 500 links; and towards the north-west by a road, 400 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on Plan No. 826, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Napier.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Trustees for Te Kuri Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the forty-fifth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the local authority specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Local Authority.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
The Hobson County Council.	TE KURI. All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District being Section No. 80 of Block II., Te Kuri Survey District, containing by admeasurement 10 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 905 links; towards the north-east and south-east by Section No. 24 of Block II., Te Kuri Survey District, 1044 and 891 links respectively; and towards the south-west by Section No. 25 of the same block, 1201 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Revoking Clause 11 of the Old-age Pensions Regulations, and Substituting a New Clause.

RANFURLY, Governor.

PURSUANT to and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon him by "The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand doth hereby revoke clause 11 of the regulations made on the ninth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in lieu thereof substitute the following clause, that is to say:—

INVESTIGATION OF PENSION-CLAIMS.

11. In order to facilitate the Stipendiary Magistrate's investigation of pension-claims the following provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) If, in the course of the investigation, the Stipendiary Magistrate considers that further evidence on any specific matter is necessary, he may authorise an officer of his Court, or any other fit person, to inquire into the same, and may accept the result of such inquiry as evidence.
- (2.) For the purposes of such inquiry the person so appointed shall have free access to—
 - (a.) The registers of the Land Transfer and Deeds Registration Offices for the purpose of searching title to land; and also to
 - (b.) The records of the Supreme Court for the purpose of searching instruments registered under "The Chattels Transfer Act, 1889"; and also to
 - (c.) The district valuation roll under "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896," for the purpose of ascertaining the particulars and valuation of landed property; and also to
 - (d.) The registers and records of the Registrar-General's Department, for the purposes of information relating to births, deaths, marriages, or ages; and also to
 - (e.) All real and personal property of the claimant or pensioner, and all books, vouchers, and documents relating to such property or to his income, for the purpose of assessing the same.
- (3.) It shall be the duty of all officers of the aforesaid offices and departments to afford, without fee, all reasonable information to the person so appointed, in order to enable him to prosecute such inquiry.
- (4.) The Stipendiary Magistrate may also, in his discretion, accept as testimony for or against the claim—
 - (a.) A statutory declaration made by any clergyman, Justice, Postmaster, or other reputable person, who therein declares to what he either knows of his own knowledge to be true, or, from inquiries made by him, believes to be true; or
 - (b.) Any other documentary evidence, whether strictly legal evidence or not; or
 - (c.) The sworn spoken evidence of any reputable person who deposes to what, from inquiries made by him, he believes to be true; or
 - (d.) The knowledge or observation of the Stipendiary Magistrate himself.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

EDWARD RIDLEY DE LACY BEANE

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

W. C. WALKER.

Inspector of Weights and Measures, Counties of Wanganui and Waitotara, and Borough of Wanganui, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Sergeant JOHN DWYER

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

W. C. WALKER.

Deputy Registrar appointed under "The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898."

The Treasury,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN KING, Esq.,

to be Deputy Registrar for the Auckland Old-age Pension District, *vice* Thomas Culpan, resigned.

W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

Member of Licensing Committee appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HUGH GOURLEY

to be a member of the Licensing Committee for the District of the City of Dunedin, *vice* James Horsburgh, resigned.

T. THOMPSON.

Sittings of Magistrate's Court, and Clerk of Court, appointed

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

The ASSEMBLY ROOMS at Mangaweka

to be a place wherein sittings of the Magistrate's Court shall be held, and to appoint

Constable BARRETT RUTLEDGE

to be Clerk and Bailiff of the Magistrate's Court at Mangaweka.

T. THOMPSON.

Chief Clerk, Public Works Department, appointed.

Public Works Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM DAVIDSON DUMBELL

to be Chief Clerk in the Public Works Department of the Colony of New Zealand, the appointment to date from the 1st January, 1899.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

Resident Engineer, Westport, appointed.

Public Works Department,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ROBERT AUSTEN YOUNG, Esq., Assoc. M. Inst. C.E.,

to be Resident Engineer in the Public Works Department at Westport; the appointment to be for temporary service only, and to date from the 19th December, 1898.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

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

Police Department,
Wellington, 16th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Sergeant JOHN DWYER,

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

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 16th January, 1899.

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

South Canterbury Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

The Reverend Thomas Farley to be Honorary Chaplain. Date of commission, 16th December, 1898.

Zealandia Rifle Volunteers.

William Allan Chapple to be Surgeon-Captain. Date of commission, 7th January, 1899.

Onehunga Rifle Volunteers.

William Robert Close Erson to be Surgeon-Captain.
The Reverend John Haselden to be Honorary Chaplain.
Date of commissions, 24th August, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

Additional Trustee to Volunteer Drill-shed appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 16th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve, under "The Volunteer Drill-sheds and Lands Act 1888 Amendment Act, 1890," of the appointment of Lieut.-Colonel NATHANIEL YOUNG ARMSTRONG WALES, N.Z.M., as an additional Trustee of the Dunedin Volunteer Garrison Hall. Appointment to date from the 6th January, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Battalion Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

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

1st Battalion, Wellington Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Charles James Stanton Harcourt, Wellington Guards Volunteers, to be Adjutant.
Surgeon-Major Thomas Cahill, Wellington Guards Volunteers, and Surgeon-Captain Francis Wallace Mackenzie, to be Medical Officers with their present rank.
The Right Reverend Frederick Wallis, D.D., Anglican Bishop of Wellington, to be Honorary Chaplain.
Commissions to date from the 28th November, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officers resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 16th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignations of the commissions held by the under-mentioned officers:—

Unattached Active List, New Zealand Volunteers.

Major John Birnie. Date of resignation, 31st December, 1898.
Lieutenant Thomas Henry Blatch. Date of resignation, 23rd December, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 24th January, 1899.

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

Name.	District.
Constable EDWARD JAMES O'KEEFE McKELVEY	The North Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.
WM. HALL-JONES, For Minister of Labour.	

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

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

EDWARD PEARCE, Esq.,

of Wellington, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace.

T. THOMPSON.

Special Order made by the Wairarapa South County Council altering the Boundaries of Road Districts.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1899.

THE following special order, made by the Wairarapa South County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

W. C. WALKER.

WAIRARAPA SOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.—SPECIAL ORDER.

RESOLVED, That the boundaries of the Featherston and Taratahi-Carterton Road Districts (and accordingly the boundaries of No. 8 Subdivision of the Featherston Road District and No. 8 Subdivision of the Taratahi-Carterton Road District) be, from and after the 1st day of January, 1899, altered as follows:—The new boundary is as follows: Commencing at the mouth of the Wai Urū River, in Block VII., Mount Adams Survey District, and proceeding northerly. Bounded by the centre of the said Wai Urū River to a point where it is cut by the production of the northern boundary of Section 6, in Block VI., Mount Adams; thence by the said production, and by the said northern boundary of Section 6 and of Section 7, to the south-east corner of Section 212; thence by the eastern boundary of Section 212, by part of the southern and by the eastern boundaries of Section 229, all in Block VI., Mount Adams, by the eastern and northern boundaries of Section 228, by part of the eastern boundary of Section 206, by the eastern boundary of Section 203, all in Block II., Mount Adams Survey District, by the eastern boundary of Sections 201, 302, and 301, by the north-eastern boundary of the said Section 301, all in Block XIV., Wainuioru Survey District, and its production to the centre of the Pahaoa River; thence by the said centre of the Pahaoa River to a point in the production of the west boundary of Section 292, Block XI., Wainuioru, by the said production and by part of the said west boundary of Section 292 to the south-east corner of Section 291; thence by the southern and western boundaries of Section 291 and part of the east boundary of Section 290, and by its production to the centre of a public road; thence by the centre of the said public road to a point where it is cut by the east boundary of Section 259; thence by the said east and by the north boundary of the said Section 259, all in Block X., Wainuioru, to the south-eastern corner of Section 237, in Block VI., Wainuioru; and thence by the present boundary of the Taratahi-Carterton and Featherston Road Districts.

I certify that the foregoing special order has been duly passed by the Wairarapa South County Council at a special meeting held the 23rd day of November, 1898, and duly confirmed by same at a subsequent meeting held the 27th day of December, 1898.

H. H. WOLTERS,
County Clerk.

Carterton, 19th January, 1899.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Masterton Road District, County of Wairarapa North.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

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

W. C. WALKER.

MASTERTON ROAD DISTRICT.

RESULT of poll taken on the 21st day of January, 1899, upon a proposal to raise a loan of £140 for metalling on the Kaka-āmu Road:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 10, exercising 11 votes: Number of ratepayers who voted in favour of the proposal, 8, exercising 9 votes; unrecorded, 2 votes.

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

D. J. CAMERON,
Masterton, 23rd January, 1899. Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Featherston Road District, Wairarapa South County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

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

W. C. WALKER.

FEATHERSTON ROAD BOARD.

THE following is the result of a poll of ratepayers of the Kaitaia Special Rating District, taken on the 12th January, 1899, on the proposal to raise a loan of £300, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," for the purpose of constructing a road from its junction with the Greytown-Martinborough Road to the Greytown Borough boundary:—

Number of ratepayers on roll, 6; number of votes which could be exercised, 10: Number of ratepayers who voted in favour of the proposal, 5; number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal, 9.

A majority of ratepayers, exercising a majority of votes, having voted for the proposal, I hereby declare the same to be duly carried.

ALFRED MATTHEWS,
Chairman, Featherston Road Board.

12th January, 1899.

Notice under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act Amendment Act, 1896."

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

IN exercise of the power in this behalf conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act Amendment Act, 1896," and in accordance with a requisition signed by a three-fifths majority of the shopkeepers in the Borough of Hamilton, I, William Hall-Jones, Minister for Public Works, acting for and on behalf of the Right Hon. the Minister of Labour, hereby intimate that the *Gazette* notice of the 26th May, 1896, relating to the closing of shops in the Borough of Hamilton at 9 of the clock on the evening of Saturday in each week is hereby revoked.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Subsidies to Public Libraries.

Education Department,
Wellington, 25th November, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sum of £2,000 has been voted by Parliament for distribution to public libraries.

The distribution will take place on the 8th February, 1899, and no claim will be entitled to consideration that shall not have been sent in in due form and received by the Secretary for Education, Wellington, on or before the 31st January, 1899.

A library to be entitled to a subsidy must be public in the sense of belonging to the public, and of not being under the control of an association, society, or club, whose membership is composed of a section of the community only, and if within a borough it must be open to the public free of charge. The receipts for the year must not have been less than £2, exclusive of moneys received from endowments, or from Government, or from Borough or County Councils, or for special building purposes, or as rent, hire, or consideration for the use of any room, or building, or land belonging to the institution, in respect of none of which will subsidy be allowed. The net proceeds of concerts, lectures, or other entertainments on behalf of the current expenses of the library will be regarded as voluntary contributions. A subsidy will not be given to more than one library in the same town.

Application to share in the distribution must be by means of a statutory declaration by the Chairman, or Secretary, or Treasurer of the institution on behalf of which it is made, and must be accompanied by a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1898; and such declaration must be on the form provided for the purpose, which form shall be as follows:—

DECLARATION.

I, [Name], of [Place of abode], [Occupation], do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am Chairman [or Secretary or Treasurer] of the [Name of institution]; that during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1898, the receipts of the aforesaid institution for the maintenance of the library only were as follows: From rates levied by a local governing body under "The Public Libraries Act, 1869,"

_____	pounds	_____	shillings	_____	pence;
_____	pounds	_____	shillings	_____	pence;
_____	pounds	_____	shillings	_____	pence.

 And I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information hereinafter furnished by me in the Appendix hereto is correct in every particular; that the abstract of accounts is a true statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1898; and that by the rules of the institution admission to the reading-room is open to the public free of charge.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 189____,
before me— _____, Justice of the Peace [or Solicitor, or Notary Public].

[Here affix and cancel a stamp at 2s. 6d.]

[NOTE.—The words relating to free admission may be struck out if the library is not in a borough. The words in brackets are not part of the form, but indicate matter to be inserted or substituted.]

Copies of the form of application may be obtained from the Secretary for Education, Wellington, and from the Secretary of any Education Board.

W. C. WALKER.

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.

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.

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 2.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand passed in the forty-fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and intituled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Church of the Province of New Zealand, commonly called the Church of England.

The Reverend John Henry Sykes.

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

The Reverend John Alexander Asher, M.A.

The Reverend William Ritchie, M.A.

Roman Catholic Church.

The Reverend John Osborne.

Christchurch Central Mission.

Mr. Donald McLennan.

E. J. VON DADLSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 3.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

NOTICE has been received from the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand that

The Reverend JOHN CAMPBELL has ceased to be an Officiating Minister in connection with that religious body. His name has therefore been withdrawn from the List of Officiating Ministers under "The Marriage Act, 1880," for the year 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Examination of Land Surveyors.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 6th January, 1899.

IN accordance with the Regulations for the Examination of Surveyors under "The Land Act, 1892," as published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 5th March, 1896, it is hereby notified that the next examination thereunder will be held on the 7th March next.

T. M. GRANT,
Secretary to the Board of Examiners.

Crown Lands Notices.

Southland Runs classified.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Commissioners appointed in pursuance of section 189 of "The Land Act, 1892," have reported to His Excellency the Governor that the lands described in the Schedule hereto have been classified by them as therein noted.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

SCHEDULE.

CLASS I.—PASTORAL LANDS, being Lands suitable exclusively for Pasturage, and not capable of being used with Profit in Areas of a Carrying-capacity of less than Five Thousand Sheep.

Run No.	Area.	Description.
396	7,300	Situated in the Takitimo Survey District, Wallace County, and bounded towards the north and north-west by Sections 46, 45, and 44; towards the south-west by Section 52; towards the north-west and north-east by Sections 52, 53, 42, 49, 42A, 41, 43, 47, 48; towards the south and south-east by Sections 48, 47, 43, 41, 42A, 49; towards the north-east by Section 21; towards the north and north-west generally by the Mararoa River; towards the west by the Waiau River; towards the south-west and south by the Whare Creek; towards the east by Crown land and Section 126: all of Takitimo Survey District: excepting out of the land herein described Section 100, Educational Reserve.
497	950	Situated in the Anglem Survey District, Stewart Island County, and bounded towards the north and west generally by the Pacific Ocean, towards the south and east by Crown land.

D. BARRON,
JOHN McINTYRE,
ANDREW KINROSS, } Classification Commissioners.

Otago Runs classified.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

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JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

SCHEDULE.

CLASS I.—PASTORAL LANDS, being Lands suitable exclusively for Pasturage, and not capable of being used with Profit in Areas of a Carrying-capacity of less than Five Thousand Sheep.

Run.	Area in Acres.	Description.
98	7,500	Situated in the Kauroo and Kakanui Survey Districts. Bounded on the north and east by surveyed land; on the south by Run 217A; and on the west by Runs 217A and 217.
209	5,200	Situated in the Otepopo and Waihemo Survey Districts. Bounded on the north-west and north by Run 217B and surveyed land; on the east by surveyed land; and on the south by the north branch of Waianakarua River.
Sections 9 and 10, Block VI., Waikouaiti Survey District	530	Bounded on the north by Hummockside Survey District; on the east by Block V., Waikouaiti Survey District, and Section 11, Block VI.; on the south by a road-line and Section 8; and on the west by Section 7, Block VI.
Section 69, Block IV., Table Hill Survey District	202	Bounded on the north by Sections 70 and 68; on the east by Block V.; on the south by Sections 48 and 2; and generally on the west by Sections 42, 6, and 37.
Section 3, Block III., Cairnhill Survey District; now described as eastern portion of Section 3, Block III., Cairnhill Survey District	3,040	Bounded on the north by Blocks II. and I.; on the east by Block I., Main Road; on the south by Section 2, Block III.; and on the west by a track severing other portion of Section 3.
Section 2, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District; now described as Section 2, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District, with portion of Whitecomb Survey District	3,658	Bounded on the north by Section 3, Block VIII.; on the east by Main Road; on the south by Block V.; and generally on the west by other portion of Whitecomb Survey District.
Section 3, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District; now described as major portion of Section 3, with southern portion of Section 4, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District	2,578	Bounded generally on the north-east by wire fence, Section 1, and Main Road; on the south by Section 2; and on the west by wire fence on top of Old Man Range.
Section 4, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District; now described as northern portions of Sections 4 and 3, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District	2,497	Bounded on the north by Cairnhill Survey District; on the east by Main Road and Sections 6 and 7, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District; on the south and south-west by Section 1 and wire fence; and on the west by wire fence and track along summit of Old Man Range.
Sections 4, 6, and 7, Block V., Teviot Survey District	882	Bounded on the north by Section 8; on the east by reserve along Clutha River bank; on the south by Block II.; and generally on the west by Main Road and Section 5.
Section 2, Block V., Teviot Survey District; now described as major portion of Section 2, Block V., with north portion of Section 12, Block IX., Teviot Survey District	1,940	Bounded on the north by Section 3, Block V.; on the east by Sections 33 and 1; and on the south and west by wire fence.
Section 3, Block V., Teviot Survey District; now described as eastern portion of Section 3, Block V., Teviot Survey District	2,874	Bounded on the north by Block VIII.; on the east by Main Road and Section 33; on the south by Sections 33 and 2; and on the south-west by wire fence.

Run.	Area in Acres.	Description.
Section 8, Block V., Teviot Survey District	176	Bounded on the north by Block VIII.; on the north-east by reserve along Clutha River bank; on the south by Section 7, Block V.; and on the west by Main Road.
Section 46, Block II., Teviot Survey District	170	Bounded on the north by Block V.; on the south-east by reserve along Clutha River bank; and generally towards the south-west by Sections 34, 9, 11, 70, 69, and 47, and Main Road.
Run 465	2,320	Situated in Matukituki Survey District. Bounded on the north by Crown lands; on the east by Corner Burn; on the south by Matukituki River and Section 2; and on the west by Run 468.

JOHN HAY,
HENRY CLARK,
HUGH H. KIRKPATRICK, } Commissioners.
Dunedin, 14th December, 1898.

CLASS II.—PASTORAL AGRICULTURAL LANDS, being Lands adapted in Part for Pasturage and in Part for Agricultural Purposes, but suitable for Subdivision in Areas not exceeding Five Thousand Acres.

Run.	Area in Acres.	Description.
185	4,500	Situated in the Mount Hyde and Lee Stream Districts. Bounded on the north by Deep Stream; and on the east, south, and west by surveyed land.
Section 1, Block XI., Kuriwao Survey District (Clutha River Trust)	1,578	Bounded on the north by Block VIII.; on the east by Block X.; on the south by Run 258; and on the west by Block XII.
Sections 9, 10, and 11, Block IX., Kuriwao Survey District (Clutha River Trust)	763	Bounded on the north by Sections 6, 7, and 8; on the east by Waiwera Stream; on the south by Block X.; and on the west by Block VIII.

JOHN HAY,
HENRY CLARK,
HUGH H. KIRKPATRICK, } Commissioners.
Dunedin, 14th December, 1898.

Section in Town of Ormondville for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 14th December, 1898.

THE under-mentioned section in the Township of Ormondville will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, on Wednesday, the 1st March, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—SUBURBS OF TOWN OF ORMONDVILLE.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Total Upset Price.
11	VI.	A. R. P. 0 3 29	£ s. d. 9 6 3

Terms of Sale.

One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance, with Crown-grant fee, within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the part of the purchase-

money paid by way of deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void.
Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 12th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application on and after Monday, the 27th February, 1899, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.
OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Maniototo County.—Blackstone Survey District.

Run	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Run 224L	325	0	0	0	6	4	1	3

Broken pastoral land; adjacent to Hills Creek Township, and eighteen miles from Naseby. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £91 14s.

Taieri County.—Strath Taieri Survey District.

3	XI.	1,866	1	20	0	6	23	6	6
This run contains about 200 acres agricultural land, rest pastoral; well watered, but high and cold. Situated about seven miles from Middlemarch. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £804 14s.									

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Waitaki County.—Kurow Survey District.

Run	6	of	23	6,182	0	0	20	0	0
Very high country, purely pastoral, well watered. Situated about three miles from Kurow. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £760.									

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Marlborough Land District, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 6th December, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lease of pastoral land will be offered for sale by auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Wednesday, the 8th day of February, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—HODDER SURVEY DISTRICT.
Pastoral License under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

RUN No. 16: Area, 15,000 acres; upset annual rental, £107; term, twenty-one years from 1st March, 1899. Possession will be given on 1st April, 1899. One half-year's rent, and £1 ls. lease-fee, must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the necessary declaration furnished.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Merrivale Estate, Southland, for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 10th January, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be opened for application upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Thursday, the 23rd March, 1899, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

WALLACE COUNTY.—MERRIVALE ESTATE.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.		
			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Waiau	14	VIII.	129	1	0	5	2-1	16	14	6

Description and Locality of Section.

Open, undulating; limestone formation; permanent water; fifteen miles from Otautau; two miles and three-quarters from dairy-factory reserve and school-site; altitude, 350 ft. to 450 ft. Improvements existing at date of purchase of the estate: 13 chains wire fence and gorse hedge on main road, and 73 chains subdivision fences; value, £21. No cash payment will be required for these improvements; the section, however, is burdened with £14 valuation for fencing erected by the former lessee, which amount must be deposited with the application.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in the Wellington Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on and after Wednesday, 8th February, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—COUNTY OF WAIRARAPA SOUTH.—KAIWHATA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
4	IV.	394 0 0	0 6	4 18 6

Weighted with £629 16s. for improvements, made up as follows: 300 acres in grass, £375; 158 chains fencing, £142 16s.; woolshed, sheep-yards, and dip, £90; whare and orchard, £22. This section is situated on the Wharau-Kaiwhata horse-road, Wairarapa South County. The access is from Carterton, which is about thirty-three miles distant: from Carterton to Gladstone eight miles by coach-road, from Gladstone to Wharau twenty-two miles by fair-weather dray-road, and from Wharau to the section three miles, two miles of which is by dray-road. The section is also accessible from the mouth of the Kaiwhata River—distant six miles—by dray-road. The land comprises broken hilly country, intersected by deep gullies, with small flats along the Kaiwhata River. The soil is of fair quality, resting on sandstone-and-clay formation. The forest is of small extent, only 74 acres remaining, and comprises rimu, hinau, maire, and birch, with an undergrowth of rangiora and supplejacks. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 400 ft. to 1,300 ft. above sea-level.

2 | IV. | 610 0 0 | 0 6 | 7 12 6
Weighted with £1,036 10s. for improvements, made up as follows: 500 acres felled and grassed, £800; 139 chains fencing, £136 10s.; whare, orchard, and sheep-yards, £100. This section is situated on the Wharau-Kaiwhata horse-road, Wairarapa South County. The access is from Carterton, which is about thirty-four miles distant: from Carterton to Gladstone eight miles by coach-road, from Gladstone to Wharau twenty-two miles by fair-weather dray-road, and from Wharau to the section four miles, two miles of which is by dray-road. The section is also accessible from the mouth of the Kaiwhata River—distant six miles—by dray-road. The land comprises broken hilly country, intersected

by deep gullies, with small flats along the road and on the banks of the Little Kaiwhata Creek, which runs through the section. The soil is of fair quality, resting on sandstone-and-clay-formation. The forest comprises about 110 acres, and consists of rimu, birch, hinau, and maire, with a slight undergrowth of tutu and mahoe. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 300 ft. to 1,200 ft. above sea-level.

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

Pastoral Lands in the Otago Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 4th January, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Monday, the 27th day of February, 1899, at 11 a.m.

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Run 98 (Class I.), Waitaki County: Area, 7,500 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £110. Situated at the source of the Kauroo River, about nine miles west of Maheno.

Run 209 (Class I.), Waitaki County: Area, 5,200 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £50. Situated on the north branch of the Waianakarua River, about four miles west of Herbert.

Sections 9 and 10, Block VI., Waikouaiti District (Class I.), Waikouaiti County: Area, 530 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £20. Situated about seven miles north-west of Merton, within a mile of the north branch of the Waikouaiti River.

Section 69, Block IV., Table Hill District (Class I.), Bruce County: Area, 202 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £2 10s. 6d. Situated about one mile and a half north-east of Manuka Railway-station, on the Lawrence-Milton line.

Sections 7 and 8, and part of Section 3, Block III., Cairnhill District, and parts of Sections 3 and 4, Block VIII., Teviot Survey District (grouped) (Class I.), Vincent and Tuapeka Counties: Area, 5,989 acres; term, 11 years; upset annual rental, £74 17s. 3d. Situated between the Clutha River and the summit of the Old Man Range, about nine miles north of Roxburgh.

Sections 4, 6, 7, and 8, and parts of Sections 2 and 3, Block V.; part of Section 12, Block IX.; Section 2 and part of Sections 3 and 4, Block VIII.; and Section 46, Block II., Teviot District and part of Whitecomb District (grouped) (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 12,278 acres; term, 11 years; upset annual rental, £153 9s. 6d. Situated between the Clutha River and the summit of the Old Man Range, about five miles north of Roxburgh.

Run 465 (Class I.), Lake County: Area, 2,320 acres; term, 14 years; upset annual rental, £3. Situated near the head of the Matukituki River, about twenty-five miles from Pembroke.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1900.

Valuations for improvements in respect of the above runs must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Dunedin, before the licensee will be let into possession.

Such valuations shall, exclusive of the value of a rabbit-proof fence, in no case exceed three times the amount of the average annual rental paid under the expired or expiring license, during the term thereof, and five times such amount in cases where the annual rental does not exceed £50.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee (£1 1s.), on fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 4th January, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned allotment of Crown land will be open for application upon lease in perpetuity at this office, on Wednesday, 15th February, 1899, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments, and the special regulations relating to the disposal of allotments for workmen's homes.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—WHARENUI HAMLET.

First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Christchurch	2	X.	A. R. P. 2 3 0	£ s. d. 3 6 0	£ s. d. 4 10 9

This section is situated on the western side of the Wharenui Hamlet in the Riccarton Road District, having frontage to Bowen's Lane, a few chains back from the Riccarton Road, about three miles and a half from the Christchurch Post-office. The soil is deep and of a rich quality, with a clay subsoil, and, being within the artesian area, a water-supply is obtainable. The selector of this allotment will be liable to pay the holders of the adjoining Lots, Nos. 1 and 3, one-half of the cost of the boundary-fences adjoining those lots.

Applications must be made only on the special forms, which are obtainable at the Land Office, and must be accompanied by a deposit of a half-year's rent, and lease fee, £1 ls. Applicants will be required to attend in person at the meeting of the Canterbury Land Board at which their applications are to be considered, for the purpose of answering any questions which the Board may see fit to put to them. Should there be more than one eligible applicant for the section on the same day, then the right of selection will be determined by ballot.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands in Canterbury Land District for Sale under Section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892."

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 4th January, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands will be offered for sale under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892," on or after Wednesday, the 19th April, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—HALSWELL SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Price per Acre.
36620	II.	A. R. P. 1 2 20	£ s. d. 20 0 0
36621	"	6 1 15	20 0 0
36622	VI.	3 2 29	20 0 0
36623	"	9 1 20	20 0 0
36624	"	2 2 12	20 0 0
36625	"	4 2 16	20 0 0
36626	"	7 1 3	20 0 0

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Leases in the Auckland Land District for Sale by Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 4th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned town, suburban, and rural sections in the Town and Suburbs of Rotorua will be offered for sale by public auction at the Courthouse, Rotorua, on Friday, the 24th day of March, 1899, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Lot.	Area.	Upset Annual Rent.	Lot.	Area.	Upset Annual Rent.
<i>Town of Rotorua.</i>					
Block IX.					
8	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 3 0 0	1	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 5 0 0
9	0 1 0	3 0 0	2	0 1 0	4 0 0
10	0 1 0	3 0 0	3	0 1 0	4 0 0
13	0 0 32	3 0 0	4	0 1 0	4 0 0
14	0 0 32	4 0 0	Block LI.		
Block X.					
9	0 1 0	3 0 0	3	0 1 0	4 0 0
10	0 1 0	3 0 0	4	0 1 0	5 0 0
13	0 0 32	3 0 0	9	0 1 0	4 0 0
14	0 0 32	4 0 0	10	0 1 0	4 0 0
Block XI.					
1	0 0 32	4 0 0	11	0 1 0	4 0 0
2	0 0 32	3 0 0	Block LVI.		
3	0 0 32	3 0 0	2	0 0 23	2 10 0
5	0 1 0	3 0 0	<i>Suburbs of Rotorua.</i>		
6	0 1 0	3 0 0	15	10 0 0	3 0 0
7	0 1 0	3 0 0	17	8 3 0	4 0 0
8	0 1 0	3 0 0	40	10 0 0	4 0 0
9	0 1 0	3 0 0	42	10 2 0	4 0 0
10	0 1 0	4 0 0	66	10 0 0	3 0 0
Block XXII.					
2	0 1 0	4 0 0	67	10 0 0	3 0 0
9	0 1 0	4 0 0	68	10 0 0	4 0 0
10	0 1 0	4 0 0	69	11 1 14	4 0 0
Block XXVIII.					
1	0 2 20	5 0 0	71	11 1 13	4 0 0
3	0 2 20	5 0 0	72	9 0 9	3 0 0
Block XXIX.					
3	0 1 0	3 0 0	73	10 0 0	3 0 0
6	0 1 0	4 0 0	74	10 0 0	4 0 0
9	0 1 0	4 0 0	75	10 0 0	5 0 0
10	0 1 0	3 0 0	78	10 0 0	5 0 0
11	0 1 0	3 0 0	79	10 0 0	5 0 0
Block XXX.					
3	0 1 0	5 0 0	<i>Rural Lots.</i>		
8	0 1 0	5 0 0	31	40 0 0	10 0 0
Block XXXI.					
6	0 1 0	5 0 0	33	40 0 0	10 0 0
7	0 1 0	5 0 0	34	39 1 27	7 0 0
Block XXXV.					
1	0 1 0	3 0 0	35	40 1 18	7 0 0
2	0 1 0	3 0 0	36	40 1 13	7 0 0
3	0 1 0	3 0 0	37	40 0 15	7 0 0
4	0 1 0	3 0 0	43	40 0 0	7 0 0
5	0 1 0	3 0 0	44	40 0 0	7 0 0
9	0 1 0	3 0 0	46	39 3 0	7 0 0
10	0 1 0	3 0 0	47	45 2 0	7 0 0
11	0 1 0	3 0 0	48	33 2 11	6 0 0
Block XXXVIII.					
1	0 2 20	4 0 0	49	36 0 0	6 0 0
3	0 2 20	4 0 0	50	53 0 0	7 0 0
Block XXXIX.					
2	0 1 0	3 0 0	51	35 2 0	5 0 0
3	0 1 0	3 0 0	52	34 0 0	6 0 0
10	0 1 0	3 0 0	53	16 2 1	3 0 0
11	0 1 0	3 0 0	54	16 0 0	3 0 0
Block XL.					
8	0 1 0	4 0 0	55	14 2 0	2 0 0
Block XLIX.					
1	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 5 0 0	56	9 3 17	2 0 0
2	0 1 0	4 0 0	57	12 1 5	3 0 0
3	0 1 0	4 0 0	58	12 2 12	2 0 0
4	0 1 0	4 0 0	59	16 0 14	3 0 0
3	0 1 0	3 0 0	60	19 2 15	4 0 0
10	0 1 0	3 0 0	61	52 2 0	6 0 0
11	0 1 0	3 0 0	62	53 1 0	6 0 0
Block XL.					
8	0 1 0	4 0 0	63	59 2 0	6 0 0
Block XL.					
8	0 1 0	4 0 0	64	14 3 8	3 0 0
Block XL.					
8	0 1 0	4 0 0	65	18 0 12	3 0 0

Conditions of Lease.

1. Term of lease, ninety-nine years.
2. Rents are payable half-yearly in advance to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Auckland; and the first half-yearly payment is to be made on the fall of the hammer.
3. Town sections to be improved within one year from the date of the lease to the value of ten times the annual rental. Rural and suburban sections to be fenced within one year from the date of the lease. No valuation for improvements will be allowed at the end of the term of lease.
4. No lease to be assigned, underlet, or the possession thereof parted with except with the consent in writing of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland.
5. All rates, taxes, charges, and assessments whatsoever to be paid by the lessee.
6. All buildings erected to be kept in good repair and condition, and in the erection of any building upon the sections within the town the lessee must abide by and conform to the alignment of streets and roads, and to all by-laws and regulations made by the local authority intrusted with the administration of the local affairs of the Township of Rotorua.

7. Privies, ashpits, and other works of a similar character to be constructed and maintained as directed by the local authority. All drains and channels, and the sanitary state and condition of the premises, to be subject to the by-laws and regulations of the local authority.

8. No wells to be sunk or any excavations to be made without the consent in writing of the local authority.

9. The trade or business of a soap-boiler, tallow-chandler, tanner, slaughterman, meat curer or preserver, or any noisy, noxious, or offensive trade or manufacture of any kind whatever will not be permitted.

10. Provision will be made in the leases for inspection of premises at all reasonable times.

11. Lease liable to forfeiture if rent be thirty days in arrear, and the lease will contain provisions for re-entry and for the recovery of rents.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Southland Land District.—Pastoral Runs for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 4th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, on Monday, the 27th day of February, 1899, at this office, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

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

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
396	Takitimo	7,300 0 0	60 16 3	14 years.
497	Anglem, Stewart Island	950 0 0	2 10 0	14 years.
Possession of these runs will be given on 1st March, 1900.				
516	South Cape, Stewart Isl'd	27,700 0 0	5 0 0	21 years.

Possession will be given on 1st March, 1899.

The purchasers must deposit the statutory declaration required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

Valuation for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Invercargill, before the licensee will be let into possession.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 14th December, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application on and after Monday, the 27th February, 1899, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

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

MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

Maniototo Survey District.

		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
26 and 27	III.	154 0 0	0 0 8	2 11 4
29	"	153 3 19	0 0 8	5 2 0
30	"	152 0 32	0 0 8	4 16 4
28	"	199 0 38	0 0 8	4 16 4
46	I.*	89 3 31	0 0 8	4 16 4

Open, undulating pastoral and agricultural land; situated about three miles from Naseby. Valuations for improvements are as follow: Sections 26 and 27, £12 19s.; Sections 29 and 30, £89 16s.; Sections 28 and 46, £50 1s.

* Naseby Survey District.

VINCENT COUNTY.

Teviot Survey District.

Run 199E | .. | 1,751 0 0 | 0 0 4 | 14 11 10

This run comprises good dry sheep country; well watered and grassed; portion fit for growing root-crop. Situated about four miles from Roxburgh. Valuation for improvements, £335 9s. 6d.

Possession 1st March, 1899.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Leases of Small Grazing-runs, Otago, open for Application.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 10th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for application, at this office, on Monday, the 27th February, 1899, at the half-yearly rental noted opposite each run.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent Per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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TUAPEKA COUNTY.

Teviot Survey District.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Run 199F and Run 199G	3,420 0 0	0 4	28 10 0

This run comprises good dry sheep-country; watered; portion fit for root-crops. Altitude, 350 ft. to 3,100 ft. above sea-level. Situated about five miles from Roxburgh. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the application is approved, £527 10s.

WAIKOUAITI COUNTY.

Budle, Dunback, Hummock, and Hummockside Survey Districts.

Run 121D and Run 121F	6,343 0 16	0 3	39 12 11
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Budle Survey District.

Run 121H | .. | 3,177 2 0 | 0 5 | 33 2 1

Subdivisions of the Stoneburn runs, containing pastoral land of an undulating character; well watered; accessible from Macrae's, Palmerston, Nenthorn, and Dunback. The railway-station at the last-named township lies about six miles distant. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the application is approved: Runs 121D and 121F, £514 7s. 6d.; Run 121H, £391 10s. Valuation will also be allowed for a crop of turnips and grass on Run 121H, valuation of which will be made fourteen days before the day of sale. Possession of Run 121H will be given on 1st March, 1899.

CLUTHA COUNTY.

Kuriwao Survey District.

13 to 15 and 17 to 21	IX.	1,336 3 28	0 4	11 2 10
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Fair pastoral country; portions fit for cultivation; well watered. Situated about twelve miles from Clinton. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the application is approved, £541 8s. Possession, 1st March, 1899.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 16th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease upon application at this office, on Wednesday, the 29th day of March, 1899, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

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

Small Grazing-run.—Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
44	XI.	A. R. P. 1,486 0 0	s. d. 0 3·7	£ s. d. 11 12 3

Rough and broken country; a few chains of level land along the Onaero Stream, but during heavy rains a great portion of that is flooded. The land is all forest-clad, the timber being chiefly rata, rimu, kahikatea, tawa, and the usual undergrowth. Access will be by main road, metalled, from Waitara or Urenui, thence either by the Ohanga Road, which leaves the main road about a mile west of the Onaero Bridge, and which is partly formed, or a horse may be taken along the Onaero Road on the east side of the stream of that name, thence by the Mataro Road to the section. The hills rise from 500 ft. to 700 ft. above the valleys. The formation is papa. The land is well watered.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs in the County of Waimate for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 10th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, and the Land Office, Timaru, on Tuesday, the 21st February, 1899, at the annual rental noted below. If the runs be not applied for on the 21st February, they will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch. In case of more than one application for the same run on the 21st February, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at Timaru, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SMALL GRAZING-RUNS, WAIMATE COUNTY.
First-class Pastoral Country.

Survey District.	Section No.	Block.	Area.	Rental Per Acre.	Annual Rental.
SMALL GRAZING-RUN No. 66.					
Hakateramea Meyer	36206	{ XV. XVI. II. }	3,208 2	9	£ s. d. 120 6 4
SMALL GRAZING-RUN No. 67.					
Hakateramea Waihao	36395	{ XVI. IX. XIII. }	3,577 0	7	104 6 8

Locality and Description of Runs.

These runs are situated on the slopes of the Station Peak Range, which extends from the junction of the Hakateramea and Waitaki Rivers to the north branch of the Waihao River. They comprise high open hill-country, the spurs being intersected by deep rough gullies, making the blocks in general difficult of access. The country is throughout of purely pastoral character, the vegetation consisting of native and English grasses, with snow-grass only on the higher altitudes; it is fairly well watered by springs and streams, but is liable to burn up in a dry season, and, as the elevation ranges from about 1,000 ft. up to 3,500 ft. above sea-level, it is liable to heavy falls of snow in winter.

Section 36206 faces the Waitaki River, about eight miles south-easterly from the Hakateramea Railway-station. Section 36395 lies southward from the Meyer's Pass Road, the distances from Waimate being about twenty-three to twenty-six miles, and from Hakateramea about fourteen to fifteen miles.

The sections are weighted with valuations for improvements as follows: Section 36206, £458 for good six-roomed dwellinghouse, yards, boundary and subdivision fencing, and surface-sowing; Section 36395, £431 for hut, boundary and subdivision fencing, and sowing.

Possession of the lands will be given to the successful applicants as soon as their applications are approved by the Land Board.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The term of lease is twenty-one years, with the option of renewal for a further period of twenty-one years, at a rent to be fixed by valuation, and improvements being secured to

lessee as provided by "The Land Act, 1892," section 182. Each lessee is required to make the declaration as per form printed below.

2. No person can lease more than one run.
3. Residence on small grazing-runs is compulsory, and commences within three years in bush or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, unless the lessee obtain the consent of the Land Board to reside on other land in his occupation.

4. Permanent improvements must be effected equal to one year's rental by the end of the first year, two years' rental by the end of the second year, and four years' rental at the end of the sixth year; and on bush land, in addition thereto, improvements must be made to the value of 10s. an acre if first-class land, or of 5s. an acre if second-class land.

5. One half-year's rent and £1 1s. for the lease, and the amount of valuation for improvements must be paid immediately the application is declared successful; the rent to be paid half-yearly in advance during the term of the lease. The next payment of rent will become due on the 1st March, 1899.

6. The lessee has no right to purchase any part of the land; but he can select 150 acres around the homestead through which no road can be taken or other public privilege exercised without compensation.

DECLARATION.

I, _____, of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.
2. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease of Run No. †
3. That I am purchasing such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not, directly or indirectly, for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whatsoever.
4. That I am not already the holder of any such lease in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such lease.
5. That I am not the holder of any run under Part VI. of the aforesaid Act, nor have I any interest in any such run.
6. That I do not own any freehold land or land held by lease or license of any kind whatever anywhere in the colony, either by myself or jointly with any other person, which, exclusive of the land I am now purchasing the lease of, will exceed in area 1,000 acres.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.
SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 4th January, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned allotments of Crown lands will be open for selection upon lease in perpetuity at this office, on Monday, the 27th March, 1899, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Opouriao Estate.—Whakatane County.					
Village of Ta-neatua	1	..	A. R. P. 0 2 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 0 10 0
Ditto	6	..	0 2 0	..	0 10 0
"	7	..	1 0 0	..	0 15 0
"	17	..	0 2 0	..	0 10 0
"	18	..	0 2 0	..	0 10 0
"	23	..	1 0 0	..	2 10 0
"	32	..	1 0 0	..	0 15 0
Whakatane	2A	XIII.	9 0 0	0 10 0	2 5 0

Section 9, flat alluvial land, excellent soil; frontage to river and main road; eleven miles and a half from Whakatane.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, 14th December, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Monday, the 27th day of February, 1899.

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.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.													
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.												
FIRST-CLASS LAND.																						
Tuapeka ..	Crockston	40-42	VIII.	A. R. P. £ s. d. £ s. d.	31	1 34	1 10	0	46	10	0	1	6	1	3	3	1	2	4	0	18	7
Open, flat, agricultural land, soil good; watered; altitude, 800 ft. above sea-level. Situated five miles and a half from Heriot Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £15 15s.																						
SECOND-CLASS LAND.																						
Clutha ..	Catlin's ..	31	II.	289	1 34	0 12	6	180	12	6	0 7	5	4 10	4	0 6	3 12	3					
Rather steep bush section, well watered, sunny aspect. Situated about four miles from Hunt's Road Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £654 2s.																						
Clutha ..	Catlin's ..	5	VI.	241	0 0	0 12	6	150	12	6	0 7	5	3 15	4	0 6	3 0	3					
Bush land, rough, well watered. Situated about seven miles from Owaka Railway-station.																						
Clutha ..	Glenomaru	42	VI.	187	1 20	0 12	6	116	17	6	0 7	5	2 18	5	0 6	2 6	9					
Fair bush land, lying well to the sun, well watered. Situated about four miles from Hunt's Road Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £16 10s.																						
Clutha ..	Rimu ..	2	XIII.	311	0 14	0 15	0	233	5	0	0 9	5 16	8	0 7	2	4 13	4					
" Level bush land, of fair quality, well watered. Situated about twenty-three miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuation for improvements: Section 2, £15; Section 15, £39.																						
Vincent ..	Tarras ..	1	III.	171	1 21	0 7	0	59	17	0	0 4	2	1 9	11	0 3	36	1 3	11				
" ..	" ..	2	"	180	2 15	0 7	0	63	7	0	0 4	2	1 11	8	0 3	36	1 5	4				
" ..	" ..	13	"	19	0 8	0 12	0	11	8	0	0 7	2	0 5	8	0 5	76	0 4	7				
Dry land, shingly. Situated about one mile from Wakefield.																						
Clutha ..	Tautuku ..	13	I.	236	2 32	0 7	6	88	17	6	0 4	5	2 4	5	0 3	6	1 15	7				
" ..	" ..	17	"	7	1 0	0 10	0	3	10	0	0 6	0 1	9	0 4	8	0 1	5					
" Level bush land, of medium quality; watered. Situated about twenty-three miles from Owaka Railway-station.																						
Clutha ..	Tautuku ..	3	II.	504	1 20	0 7	6	189	0	0	0 4	5	4 14	6	0 3	6	3 15	7				
" ..	" ..	4	"	64	2 0	0 7	6	24	7	6	0 4	5	0 12	2	0 3	6	0 9	9				
" Fair bush sections, well watered, large portions swampy. Situated about twenty-three miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, Section 3, £978 0s. 6d.; Section 4, £73 7s. 6d.																						
Clutha ..	Tautuku ..	13, 14	IV.	61	0 16	0 10	0	30	10	0	0 6	0 15	3	0 4	8	0 12	2					
" Fair bush land, portion swampy. Situated about eighteen miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £33 5s.																						
Clutha ..	Tautuku ..	21	VIII.	85	3 18	0 10	0	43	0	0	0 6	1 1	6	0 4	8	0 17	2					
" Level bush land of fair quality, well watered. Situated about twenty-one miles from Owaka Railway-station.																						
Clutha ..	Tautuku ..	18	XII.	165	0 10	0 5	0	41	5	0	0 3	1 0	8	0 2	4	0 16	6					
" ..	" ..	23	"	172	3 27	0 5	0	43	5	0	0 3	1 1	8	0 2	4	0 17	4					
" ..	" ..	24	"	151	1 8	0 5	0	37	15	0	0 3	0 18	11	0 2	4	0 15	1					
" ..	" ..	26	"	134	0 35	0 5	0	33	10	0	0 3	0 16	9	0 2	4	0 13	5					
" ..	" ..	27	"	110	2 22	0 5	0	27	15	0	0 3	0 13	11	0 2	4	0 11	1					
" ..	" ..	28	"	207	0 13	0 5	0	51	15	0	0 3	1 5	11	0 2	4	1 0	9					
" ..	" ..	29	"	190	3 33	0 5	0	47	15	0	0 3	1 3	11	0 2	4	0 19	1					
" ..	" ..	30	"	155	2 8	0 5	0	39	0	0	0 3	0 19	6	0 2	4	0 15	7					
" ..	" ..	31	"	148	3 28	0 5	0	37	5	0	0 3	0 18	8	0 2	4	0 14	11					
" ..	" ..	33	"	114	0 13	0 5	0	28	10	0	0 3	0 14	3	0 2	4	0 11	5					
" ..	" ..	34	"	143	0 16	0 5	0	35	15	0	0 3	0 17	11	0 2	4	0 14	4					
" ..	" ..	35	"	184	3 2	0 5	0	46	5	0	0 3	1 3	2	0 2	4	0 18	6					
" ..	" ..	36	"	92	1 4	0 5	0	23	0	0	0 3	0 11	6	0 2	4	0 9	2					
" ..	" ..	37	"	148	0 8	0 5	0	37	0	0	0 3	0 18	6	0 2	4	0 14	10					
" ..	" ..	38	"	88	0 32	0 5	0	22	0	0	0 3	0 11	0	0 2	4	0 8	10					
" ..	" ..	39	"	118	0 24	0 5	0	29	10	0	0 3	0 14	9	0 2	4	0 11	10					
" Bush land, growing chiefly red-pine, komahi, and ironwood; watered. The centre of this block is about thirty miles distant from Owaka Railway-station and thirteen miles from Waikawa Steamboat Wharf, both by dray-road. Mail from Waikawa every Tuesday and Saturday. There is a school and also a dairy factory on the adjoining Block No. XI.																						
Clutha ..	Woodland ..	19	V.	317	2 0	0 5	0	79	10	0	0 3	1 19	9	0 2	4	1 11	10					
" ..	" ..	21	VI.	228	1 9	0 7	6	85	10	0	0 4	2 2	9	0 3	6	1 14	2					
" ..	" ..	5	VII.	25	1 0	0 5	0	6	5	0	0 3	0 3	2	0 2	4	0 2	6					
" ..	" ..	6	"	31	2 0	0 5	0	8	0	0	0 3	0 4	0	0 2	4	0 3	2					
" ..	" ..	9	"	23	2 0	0 7	6	9	0	0	0 4	0 4	6	0 3	6	0 3	7					
" ..	" ..	15	"	132	3 0	0 15	0	99	15	0	0 9	2 9	11	0 7	2	1 19	11					
" ..	" ..	7	VIII.	225	0 0	0 7	6	84	7	6	0 4	2 2	2	0 3	6	1 13	9					
" ..	" ..	12	"	194	3 0	0 7	6	73	2	6	0 4	1 16	7	0 3	6	1 9	3					
" ..	" ..	15	"	169	2 0	0 10	0	85	0	0	0 6	2 2	6	0 4	8	1 14	0					
" ..	" ..	3	X.	38	2 0	0 10	0	19	10	0	0 6	0 9	9	0 4	8	0 7	10					
" ..	" ..	14	"	264	2 0	0 7	6	99	7	6	0 4	2 9	8	0 3	6	1 19	9					
" ..	" ..	22	"	119	1 33	0 10	0	59	10	0	0 6	1 9	9	0 4	8	1 3	10					
" ..	" ..	32	"	95	2 0	0 7	6	36	0	0	0 4	0 18	0	0 3	6	0 14	5					
" ..	" ..	14	XI.	177	0 0	0 7	6	66	7	6	0 4	1 13	2	0 3	6	1 6	7					
" ..	" ..	16	"	154	0 0	0 7	6	57	15	0	0 4	1 8	11	0 3	6	1 3	1					
" ..	" ..	17	"	142	2 0	0 7	6	53	12	6	0 4	1 6	10	0 3	6	1 1	5					

All bush sections, broken, well watered. Situated from four to twelve miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuations for improvements are as follows:—Block V.—Section 19, £102; Block VI.—Section 21, £75; Block VII.—Section 5, £12; Section 6, £10; Section 9, £9; Section 15, £120; Block VIII.—Section 15, £6; Block X.—Section 3, £14; Section 14, £25; Section 22, £10; Section 32, £50; Block XI.—Section 14, £283 9s. 6d.; Section 16, £6; Section 17, £15.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Township of Tokaanu for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1898.

THE under-mentioned sections in the Township of Tokaanu will be offered for lease by public auction for a term of twenty-one years, with right of renewal for a further term of twenty-one years, at Wellington, on Wednesday, the 8th February, 1899. Sections not applied for on the 8th February, 1899, will be open thereafter, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, at the upset ground-rentals noted below.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Township of Tokaanu.

(Land for Lease under "The Native Townships Act, 1895.")

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
3	I.	2 3 18	2 0 0
4	"	3 3 38	3 0 0
6	"	4 0 0	4 0 0
9	"	3 0 0	2 0 0
11*	"	3 0 0	3 0 0
12	"	2 2 0	1 10 0
27	"	0 2 0	1 10 0
11	II.	0 1 0	1 10 0
13	"	0 1 0	1 10 0
14	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
15	"	0 1 0	1 10 0
16	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
17	"	0 1 0	1 10 0
19	"	0 1 0	1 10 0
21	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
1	III.	1 2 1	2 0 0
2	"	2 0 0	2 10 0
3	"	2 0 0	2 10 0
4	"	4 0 11	2 0 0
5	"	0 2 0	2 0 0
8	"	1 2 0	1 10 0
9	"	2 1 0	2 0 0
10	"	0 2 0	2 0 0
11	"	0 2 0	2 10 0
12	"	0 2 0	2 0 0
13	"	1 0 0	2 0 0
14	"	0 2 0	1 15 0
15	"	1 0 0	1 10 0
16	"	0 2 0	1 15 0
17	"	1 0 0	1 10 0
18	"	0 2 0	1 15 0
21	"	1 0 0	2 5 0
6	IV.	0 1 0	3 0 0
7	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
10	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
11	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
14	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
15	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
17	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
18	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
19	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
21	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
22	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
23	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
24	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
25	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
26	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
27	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
28	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
29	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
30	"	0 1 0	4 10 0
31	"	0 1 0	4 0 0
32	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
4	V.	5 2 2	2 10 0
5	"	5 0 6	2 10 0
6	"	5 0 13	2 10 0
9	"	7 0 18	4 0 0
14	"	7 3 0	6 0 0
2	VI.	0 1 10	3 0 0
3	"	0 1 0	4 10 0
3A	"	0 1 14	4 0 0
5	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
6	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
7	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
7A	"	0 1 11	4 0 0

* Weighted for improvements, £20.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
8	VI.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
8A	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
10	"	0 1 0	3 10 0
11	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
12	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
14	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
15	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
16	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
17	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
19	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
20	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
21	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
22	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
23	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
24	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
25	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
26	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
27	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
29	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
30	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
31	"	0 1 0	4 0 0
32	"	0 1 0	3 10 0
33	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
34	"	0 1 0	3 10 0
35	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
36	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
37	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
38	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
39	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
40	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
41	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
42	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
43	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
45	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
46	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
47	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
48	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
49	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
51	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
52	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
53	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
54	"	0 1 0	3 0 0
55	"	0 1 0	2 0 0
56	"	0 1 0	3 5 0
57	"	0 1 0	2 10 0
1	VIII.	1 0 0	5 0 0
3	"	1 2 0	5 0 0

Tokaanu Township is situated near the centre of the North Island, and about half-way between Wellington and Auckland, on the main coach-road connecting with the railways running from these two cities. The land on which the township is laid out is nearly all flat, running down to the shores of Lake Taupo, the elevation of which is about 1,200 ft. above sea-level. It is proposed to build a light pier at the end of the street to facilitate the despatch of the steamer which runs during the summer to and from the north end of the lake. At the south is Maunganamu, a high hill, reserved for a park in the future. The large number of hot springs on the western part of the township has rendered this place famous, and, when facilities for baths are greater, it is sure to become one of the great sanatoria of the country, more especially of the southern part of the North Island. There are hot springs, solfataras, and salses of various kinds and degrees of heat, with many healing waters. Pure mountain-water can be readily brought into the township from streams which rise in the high range to the south of the township. Directly across the lake, and not more than two miles from the centre of the township, are the falls of Waihi, celebrated for their beauty, whilst the abrupt shores of Taupo, running thence northwards, offer to the visitor much pretty scenery, which in the Western Bay becomes grand. The lake has been stocked with trout, which are gradually spreading up the many streams that fall into it; and the great central group of mountains—Ruapehu and Tongariro—will shortly, it is hoped, be stocked with the red deer. Tokaanu is the most convenient place from which to accomplish the ascent of the mountains, which are fast becoming a resort of visitors.

The northern and eastern portions of the township comprise low-lying lands and swamps partly drainable, the latter covered with manuka scrub, and with grass in places; the soil is fairly good, and in parts is suitable for garden purposes. The south-western portion is situated on sloping ground commanding a beautiful view of Lake Taupo; the soil is light, but the sections are well adapted for occupation

as healthy residence-sites. The township is sheltered from the south and south-west winds by the high range connecting Pihanga and Kakaramea, which, being forest-clad, adds much to the beauty of the country and site.

The central position of Tokaanu, on the main line of communication between Auckland and Wellington, with the noble Lake Taupo and fine thermal springs on its borders, and being within easy distance of the magnificent Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe, and Tongariro Mountains, Lake Roto-a-ira, and numerous other beautiful scenes, together with the advantages of a salubrious climate, should render the sections now under offer attractive and desirable investments.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

1. The respective sections shall be offered by auction at Wellington.

2. The bidder of the highest rent shall be declared to be the lessee, and, if any dispute arises as to the last or highest bidding for any section, the section in dispute shall be put up again at the last-preceding bidding.

3. The highest bidder for each section shall, upon the fall of the hammer, pay to the auctioneer the half-year's rent in advance by way of deposit, which shall represent the half-year's rent due in advance on the 1st July next. The value of the improvements shall be paid by the incoming tenant to the Receiver of Land Revenue at Wellington, on behalf of the outgoing tenant, within one month, and before possession is given to the new tenant.

4. The second half-year's rent shall become payable on the 1st January, 1899, and thenceforth shall be paid half-yearly in advance.

5. As soon as may be after the highest bidder is ascertained, a lease will be prepared, for which there will be a charge of £1, to be paid by the lessee. Such lease shall be for the term of twenty-one years, commencing from the 1st day of July next, and the lessee shall execute the same in triplicate at the office of the Commissioner whenever requested so to do.

6. Should the highest bidder neglect or fail to comply with any of the conditions, his deposit-money shall thereupon be forfeited to the Commissioner, who shall be at full liberty either to enforce the letting or to relet the premises at such time and place and in such manner as he thinks fit.

7. Every lease shall be in the following form, with such modification as the circumstances may require:—

THIS deed, made the _____ day of _____, one thousand eight hundred and ninety_____, under the provisions of "The Native Townships Act, 1895," between Her Majesty Queen Victoria (who, with her heirs and successors, is hereinafter referred to and included in the expression "the lessor") of the one part, and _____, of _____, in the Land District of _____, in the Colony of New Zealand (who, with his _____ executors, administrators, and permitted assigns, is hereinafter referred to and included in the expression "the lessee"), of the other part, witnesseth that, in consideration of the rent hereinafter reserved, and of the covenants, conditions, and agreements herein contained and implied, and on the part of the lessee to be paid, observed, and performed, the lessor hereby demises and leases unto the lessee all that piece of land, containing by admeasurement _____ acres _____ roods _____ perches, a little more or less, situate in the Native Township of _____, and being allotment numbered _____, Block _____, on the plan of that township, as the same is more particularly delineated and described in the plan drawn hereon, and therein coloured red in outline; together with all ways, rights, easements, and appurtenances to the same belonging: To hold the demised premises unto the lessee for the term of twenty-one years, commencing on the 1st day of _____, one thousand _____; yielding and paying therefor the annual rent of _____, payable half-yearly in advance on the 1st day of January and the 1st day of July in each year during the said term, free from all deductions whatsoever, the first half-yearly payment of such rent having been already made, and the next payment to become due and be made on the 1st day of _____ thereafter.

And the lessee hereby covenants with the lessor as follows, namely:—

(1.) The lessee shall not nor will at any time during the said term assign, underlet, or part with the possession of the demised premises, or any part thereof, without the previous consent in writing of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the time being of the Land District of Wellington, hereinafter called "the Commissioner."

(2.) The lessee will from time to time during the said term pay unto the lessor the said rent on the days and in manner aforesaid, and also will from time to time pay and discharge all rates, taxes, charges, and assessments whatsoever now or hereafter to become payable upon or in respect of the demised premises or any part thereof.

(3.) The lessee will, during the said term, well and sufficiently repair, maintain, and keep the demised premises and

all buildings, fences, and erections from time to time built or erected thereon in good and substantial repair and condition (reasonable wear-and-tear, and damage by fire, storm, earthquake, or tempest only excepted). In the erection of any buildings from time to time the lessee will abide by and conform to the alignment of streets and roads, and also to all the by-laws and regulations from time to time in force, or made or passed by the local authority for the time being intrusted, under "The Native Townships Act, 1895," with the administration of the local affairs of the said township, by whatever name or designation such local authority may for the time being be called, but hereinafter referred to as "the local authority."

(4.) The lessee will from time to time construct, maintain, and keep all such privies, ashpits, and other works of a similar character as may be ordered or directed by the local authority; and, in cutting and laying of drains and channels for the conveyance of water or waste material or refuse of any kind, and in maintaining or providing for the sanitary state and condition of the demised premises, will at all times act in accordance with the direction of the local authority or the requirements of any laws, by-laws, rules, or regulations for the time being in force providing for the sanitary state and condition of the said township.

(5.) The lessee will not at any time during the said term, without the previous consent in writing of the local authority, carry on or permit to be carried on upon the said land or any part thereof the trade or business of a soap-boiler, tallow-chandler, tanner, slaughterman, meat curer or preserver, or any noisy, noxious, or offensive trade or manufacture of any kind whatever.

(6.) The lessee will permit the lessor, or any person on her behalf duly authorised as hereinafter provided, from time to time to enter upon the demised premises at all reasonable times to view the state and condition thereof, and upon notice of any defect or want of repair being given to the lessee, or left for him on the premises, the lessee will, within one month thereafter, make good any such defect or want of repair:

Provided always that whenever the rent hereby reserved or any part thereof is in arrear for twenty-one days the same may be levied by distress without any previous demand of payment or notice of any kind: Provided further that, if the lessee makes default for thirty days in the full and punctual payment of any of the said rent, or if he makes default in the faithful performance or observance of any other covenant or condition on his part herein contained or implied, or if the Commissioner is satisfied that the land comprised in this lease is being held unused and to the hindrance of the trade and progress of the said township, then and in any such case, and without any notice or demand whatsoever, it shall be lawful for the lessor to re-enter upon the demised premises and thereby determine this lease, and that without releasing the lessee from any liability in respect of any rent due or of any preceding breach of covenant.

And it is hereby declared and agreed as follows, that is to say,—

(1.) The rent hereby reserved may be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue for the time being of the Land District of Wellington, on behalf of the lessor, and the receipt of such Receiver shall be a good discharge to the lessee.

(2.) Any power which may be exercisable under these presents by or on behalf of the lessor may from time to time be exercised by the Commissioner, or by any person whom he from time to time appoints for that purpose.

(3.) Service on the lessee of any notice under this lease may be effected either personally or by posting the same in a registered letter addressed to him, either at his last-known place of business or abode in the colony or at the demised land.

(4.) The lessee, faithfully observing and performing all the covenants, conditions, and agreements on his part herein contained or implied, shall, on the expiration by effluxion of time of the term hereby granted, or of any renewal thereof, have the right to a renewal of the lease, or to valuation for all substantial improvements of a permanent character made or owned by him and then existing on the demised land: Provided that such right shall exist only to the extent and subject to the conditions following, that is to say:—

(1.) Not sooner than nine nor later than six months before the expiration of the said term by effluxion of time two separate valuations shall be made in manner prescribed (*mutatis mutandis*) by sections 79 and 80 of "The Land Act, 1892," of

(a.) All such improvements as aforesaid; and of
(b.) The annual ground-rent of the land (exclusive of such improvements as aforesaid) for a fresh term of twenty-one years.

(2.) After the making and publishing of the aforesaid valuations, which shall be effected by serving a copy thereof on the lessee and another copy on the Commissioner, but not later than one month before the date of such expiration as aforesaid, the lessee shall, by notice in writing served on the

Commissioner, elect whether he will accept a new lease of the demised land (including the aforesaid improvements) for a fresh term of twenty-one years, computed from the date of such expiration as aforesaid, at the annual ground-rent ascertained by valuation as aforesaid, and subject in all other respects to the same covenants and conditions as those of this present lease.

(3.) If for any reason the lessee does not duly elect in manner aforesaid to accept such new lease, or if, having duly elected, he for any reason does not execute such new lease when requested by the Commissioner so to do, his right to a new lease shall be and be deemed to be abandoned, and the land shall be disposed of by lease at such time, in such manner, and subject to such conditions not inconsistent with the said Act and the regulations for the time being in force thereunder as the Commissioner thinks fit: Provided that it shall be one of the conditions of the new lease that the new lessee pays to the Commissioner the amount at which the improvements (if then existing) have been valued as aforesaid, or such less amount as the Commissioner thinks just, having regard to the extent to which such improvements have deteriorated since the date of the original valuation; and all moneys actually received by the Commissioner in respect of such valuation shall be paid over to the lessee under this present lease, or a renewal thereof, as soon as the Commissioner is satisfied that the new lessee has been admitted into full and quiet possession of the premises: Provided further that in no case shall the lessee have any claim against the Crown or the Commissioner in respect of any such improvements, or of the value thereof, save to the extent of the moneys which are actually received as aforesaid from the new lessee, and available for payment, and which the lessee under this present lease becomes actually entitled to.

In witness whereof these presents have been executed by or on behalf of the parties hereto, the day and year first above written.

Signed on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, by A.B., the Commissioner, pursuant to the power in this behalf conferred upon him by "The Native Townships Act, 1895," in the presence of—

Signed by the said _____, in the presence of—

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

Rural Crown Land at Islington, near Christchurch, for Sale by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 14th December, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be offered for sale by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 22nd March, 1899, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.

Block.	Reserve.	Area.	Upset Price per Acre.		Total Upset Price.	
			£	s. d.	£	s. d.
IX., XIII.	Pt. Reserve 330	16 3 10	5	0 0	84	1 3

This land is situated at Islington, on the north-west side of the main south line of railway, and immediately adjacent to the Christchurch Meat Company's Freezing-works, and consists of very light shingly land, formerly part of the bed of the Waimakariri River.

Terms of Sale.

There are no restrictions or limitations upon purchasers of cash lands at auction. Residence and improvements are not compulsory.

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

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 6th December, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Thursday, the 23rd day of February, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—ACKERS VILLAGE, INVERCARGILL HUNDRED.

Village-homestead Allotments.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
109	XX.	A. R. P.	s. d.	s. d.
113	"	15 3 1	2 1	16 7
		15 3 1	2 1	16 7

These sections are part of abandoned sawmill area, the timber remaining being fit only for firewood. The soil is good black loam, with a little sand in some places. Distance from Invercargill, about eight miles, by fairly good road. Limit of holdings in this village, 50 acres.

Conditions of Lease.

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

2. The day on which the lands shall be open for selection shall be Thursday, the 23rd day of February, 1899.

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. No lessee shall hold more than the limit prescribed above, 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.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in the Otago Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, 14th December, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on and after Wednesday, 1st March, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.
OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Tairi	Dunedin and East Tairi	46	II.	A. R. P. 60 0 0	s. d. 0 3-6	£ s. d. 0 9 0
		Silver Peak .. 16	I.	6 0 0	0 8-4	0 2 1
	Dunedin and East Tairi	47	II.	6 2 35	0 7-2	0 2 1
		Ditto .. 57	"	15 2 21	0 7-2	0 4 10
Sections 46 and 16: Broken land, portion covered with fern and portion well grassed; situated adjacent to Taioana Railway-station; these sections are grouped, and offered as one allotment. Sections 47 and 57: Level to undulating and steep rising land; altitude, from 200 ft. to 600 ft. above sea-level; soil fair; partly agricultural; well watered; situated within three-quarters of a mile from Taioana Railway-station. Section 57 is weighted with valuation for improvements, £72 14s.						
Maniototo	Maniototo ..	9	XVII.	370 0 0	0 8-4	10 12 10
		7	XI.	238 1 28		
Open agricultural land; water on Section 7. Situated about one mile from Komako Railway-station. These sections are grouped, and offered as one allotment. Valuation for improvements, £161 2s.						
Tairi	Silver Peak ..	12	I.	39 0 0	0 4-8	0 7 10
		13	"	7 1 3	0 6	0 1 9
Section 12: Open broken section, rising to 975 ft. above sea-level; portion fern land; well watered; accessible by road, one mile from Taioana Railway-station. Section 13: Rather rough land; well watered; situated within half a mile from Taioana Railway-station.						
Bruce	Table Hill ..	21	III.	133 1 0	0 3-6	0 19 11
		29	"	109 2 20	0 3-6	0 16 6
		49	"	75 2 0	0 3-6	0 11 5
Rough hilly faces; well watered. Situated about four miles from Mount Stewart Railway-station.						
Lake	Upper Wakatipu ..	32	I.	95 1 16	0 6	1 3 9
		33	"	49 3 37	0 4-8	0 10 0
		34	"	50 0 0	0 4-8	0 10 0
		35	"	50 0 0	0 4-8	0 10 0
		36	"	55 1 35	0 4-8	0 11 0
Level land; soil of fair quality. Situated about four miles above the head of Lake Wakatipu. Valuation for improvements: Section 32, £178; Section 33, £9; Section 34, £7 4s.; Section 36, £14 8s.						

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Canterbury open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 31st December, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Tuesday, the 21st February, 1899.

If more than one application be received for the sections on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.
CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Surveyed 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.
Mackenzie	Opawa	36052, Part 36058 36055	VI., VII., XI., X.	A. R. P. 2,000 0 0	£ s. d. 1 0 10	£ s. d. 2,083 6 8	s. d. 1 0½	£ s. d. 52 1 8	s. d. 0 10	£ s. d. 41 13 4
				570 0 0	0 15 7½	445 6 3	0 9½	11 2 8	0 7½	8 18 2
				1,600 0 0	0 18 9	1,500 0 0	0 11½	37 10 0	0 9	30 0 0
These sections are situated between the Rocky Gully and Pareora Rivers, the distances from both Albury and Cave being about ten miles to Section 36052, and about twelve miles to Section 36055. They comprise open hilly country, generally rough and rocky, and difficult of access, the whole being of exclusively pastoral character, and liable to heavy falls of snow in winter. The sections are weighted with valuations for improvements as follows: Sections 36052 and 36058, £382, for hut, boundary and subdivision fencing, and surface-sowing; Section 36055, £100, for hut and boundary and subdivision fencing.										
Mackenzie	Opawa	36059	I.	1,600 0 0	0 18 9	1,500 0 0	0 11½	37 10 0	0 9	30 0 0
This section is situated on the east side of Exe Creek, between the Tengawai and Opawa Rivers, at a distance of about nine miles westward from Albury Railway-station, and comprises open hilly country of pastoral character, ranging up to an elevation of about 2,800 ft. above sea-level. The section is weighted with a valuation of £632 for improvements, consisting of dwellinghouse, outbuildings, sheep-yards, boundary and subdivision fencing, &c.										
Mackenzie	Opaha	36290B	XIV.	314 2 9	0 16 8	262 2 8	0 10	6 11 1	0 8	5 4 10
This section forms part of the Ashwick Flat Block, lying on the south side of the South Opaha River, about eight miles northward from the Fairlie Terminus Railway-station, and comprises open, flat, stony land of inferior quality. The section is weighted with a valuation of £157 2s. 11d. for improvements, consisting of dwellinghouse, fencing, &c.										

SIDNEY WRETTMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Otago Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 10th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Monday, the 27th day of February, 1899.

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Runs 72 and 72A (grouped), Clutha County: Area, 8,503 acres; term, 14 years; upset annual rental, £106 5s. 9d; valuation for improvements, £154 5s. Pastoral country, fairly well grassed and watered; situated about ten miles from Kaihiku Railway-station. Possession 1st of March, 1899.

Sections 1, Block X., and 3, Block XI., Domet; 1, Block X., and 2, Block XIII., Kyeburn; and 2, Block I., Kakanui District, Waitaki County: Area, 9,640 acres; term, 14 years; upset annual rental, £30; valuation for improvements, £259 7s. High pastoral country, well watered. Situated about sixteen miles from Duntroon. Possession, 1st March, 1899.

Run 492, Lake County: Area, 16,900 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £5. This run is situated on Awarua or Big Bay, at the north-west corner of the Provincial District of Otago. Possession on day of sale.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent, valuation for improvements (if any), and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Otago Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 10th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Monday, the 27th day of February, 1899.

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Runs 337 and 337A, Lake County: Area, 49,540 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £15. Situated on north-western shore of Lake Wanaka, about thirteen miles from Pembroke by water; watered by Minaret and Estuary Burns; altitude, from 950 ft. to 7,100 ft. above sea-level. Possession on the day of sale.

Runs 458 and 468, Lake County: Area, 57,400 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £5. Lying at the head of Matukituki Valley, and extending to summit of Mount Aspiring; altitude, 1,100 ft. to 9,900 ft.; watered by west branch of Matukituki River. Possession on the day of sale.

Runs 346b, 346c, and Sections 9 and 11 to 17, Block III., Dart District, Lake County: Area, 2,809 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £13; valuation for improvements, £19. Situated between the Dart River and Diamond Lake, about five miles north of Kinloch; altitude, 1,200 ft. to 4,000 ft. Possession on the day of sale.

Run 244d, Vincent County: Area, 1,298 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £9; valuation for improvements, £99 5s. Part of the old Galloway Run. Situated about two miles west of Ophir. Possession on 1st March, 1899.

Run 428, Tuapeka and Southland Counties: Area, 9,770 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £5. Situated between the head of the Waikaia Bush and the Old Man Range, about eight miles north-west of Roxburgh. Possession on the day of sale.

Sections 76 and 77, Block IV., Table Hill District, Bruce County: Area, 176 acres 1 rood 35 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £2 4s.; valuation for improvements, £55 2s. 6d. Situated on the Lawrence-Milton Railway-line, about half a mile north of Manuka Station. Possession on the day of sale.

Sections 13, 14, 15, and 17, Block VII., Table Hill District, Bruce County: Area, 700 acres and 24 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £8 15s.; valuation for improvements, £86 8s. 9d. Situated about three miles north-east of Manuka Railway-station on the Lawrence-Milton line; highest point, 1,350 ft. Possession on the day of sale.

Possession will be given on day of sale, with the exception of Run 244d, possession of which will be given on 1st of March, 1899.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent, valuation for improvements (if any), and license-fee, on the fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Otago for Sale by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 14th December, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned town and suburban lands will be submitted to public auction for cash at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Monday, the 27th February, 1899.

SCHEDULE.
OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
TOWN LANDS.					
<i>Ranfurly Town.</i>					
Block VI.					
	A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.
3	0	1	0	5	0 0
4	0	0	39	5	0 0
6	0	0	33	5	0 0
7	0	1	0	5	0 0
9	0	1	0	5	0 0
10	0	1	0	5	0 0
11	0	1	0	5	0 0
12	0	1	0	5	0 0
13	0	1	0	5	0 0
14	0	1	0	5	0 0
19	0	1	0	5	0 0
20	0	1	0	5	0 0
21	0	1	0	5	0 0
22	0	1	0	5	0 0
23	0	1	0	5	0 0
24	0	1	0	5	0 0
25	0	1	0	5	0 0
26	0	1	0	5	0 0
27	0	1	0	5	0 0
28	0	1	0	5	0 0
29	0	1	0	5	0 0
30	0	1	0	5	0 0
31	0	1	0	5	0 0
32	0	1	0	5	0 0
33	0	1	0	5	0 0
34	0	1	0	5	0 0
35	0	1	0	5	0 0
36	0	1	0	5	0 0
37	0	1	0	5	0 0
Block VII.					
7	0	1	0	5	0 0
8	0	1	0	5	0 0
9	0	1	0	5	0 0
10	0	1	0	5	0 0
11	0	1	0	5	0 0
12	0	1	0	5	0 0
13	0	1	0	5	0 0
14	0	1	0	5	0 0
15	0	1	0	5	0 0
16	0	1	0	5	0 0
17	0	1	0	5	0 0
18	0	1	0	5	0 0
19	0	1	0	5	0 0
20	0	1	0	5	0 0
21	0	1	0	5	0 0
22	0	1	0	5	0 0
23	0	1	0	5	0 0
24	0	1	0	5	0 0
25	0	1	0	5	0 0
26	0	1	0	5	0 0
27	0	1	0	5	0 0
Block X.					
3	0	1	0	7	10 0
9	0	1	0	7	10 0
11	0	1	0	7	10 0
14	0	1	0	7	10 0
15	0	1	0	7	10 0
16	0	1	0	7	10 0
Block XI.					
7	0	1	0	7	10 0
Block XV.					
3	0	1	0	5	0 0
4	0	1	0	5	0 0
5	0	1	0	5	0 0
6	0	1	0	5	0 0
7	0	1	0	5	0 0
8	0	1	0	5	0 0
9	0	1	0	5	0 0
16	0	1	0	7	10 0
17	0	1	0	7	10 0
21	0	1	0	5	0 0
22	0	1	0	5	0 0
23	0	1	0	5	0 0
24	0	1	0	5	0 0
25	0	1	28	5	0 0
Block XVI.					
1	0	1	11	5	0 0
2	0	1	0	5	0 0
3	0	1	0	5	0 0
4	0	1	0	5	0 0
5	0	1	0	5	0 0
6	0	1	0	5	0 0
7	0	1	0	5	0 0
12	0	1	0	7	10 0
13	0	1	0	7	10 0
14	0	1	0	7	10 0
15	0	1	0	7	10 0
16	0	1	30	7	10 0
SUBURBAN LANDS.					
<i>Ranfurly Town.</i>					
Block III.					
1	0	3	23	2	13 9
5	1	0	0	3	0 0
8	1	0	0	3	0 0
9	1	0	0	3	0 0
10	1	0	0	3	0 0
12	0	3	8	2	8 0
15	0	3	8	2	8 0
18	1	0	0	3	0 0
21	1	0	0	3	0 0
Block II.					
23	4	0	0	8	0 0
24	4	0	0	8	0 0
Block XVI.					
17	9	1	39	19	0 0
18	5	3	35	12	0 0

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT—continued.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
TOWN LANDS.			SUBURBAN LANDS—continued.		
Komako Town.			A. R. P. £ s. d.		
110	0 1 0	6 5 0	Block LIX.		
111	0 1 0	6 5 0	1	1 0 23	3 10 0
112	0 1 0	6 5 0	Macrae's Town.		
113	0 1 0	6 5 0	Block II.		
114	0 1 0	6 5 0	2	0 1 0	0 15 0
115	0 1 0	6 5 0	3	0 1 0	0 15 0
116	0 0 39	6 2 0	4	0 1 0	0 15 0
117	0 1 11	7 19 6	9	0 1 0	0 15 0
132	0 1 0	6 5 0	10	0 1 0	0 15 0
134	0 1 0	6 5 0	11	0 1 0	0 15 0
136	0 1 0	6 5 0	12	0 1 0	0 15 0
138	0 1 0	6 5 0	13	0 1 0	0 15 0
140	0 1 0	6 5 0	14	0 1 0	0 15 0
142	0 1 0	6 5 0	15	0 1 0	0 15 0
144	0 1 0	6 5 0	16	0 1 0	0 15 0
146	0 1 0	6 5 0	17	0 1 0	0 15 0
148	0 1 0	6 5 0	18	0 1 0	0 15 0
150	0 1 5	7 0 6	19	0 1 0	0 15 0
152	0 1 11	7 19 6	20	0 1 0	0 15 0
184	0 1 13	8 5 6	Block III.		
185	0 0 30	4 14 0	1	0 1 0	0 15 0
186	0 1 0	5 0 0	2	0 1 0	0 15 0
187	0 1 0	5 0 0	3	0 1 0	0 15 0
188	0 1 0	5 0 0	4	0 1 0	0 15 0
189	0 1 0	5 0 0	5	0 1 0	0 15 0
190	0 1 0	5 0 0	6	0 1 0	0 15 0
202	0 1 0	5 0 0	7	0 1 0	0 15 0
203	0 1 0	5 0 0	8	0 1 0	0 15 0
204	0 1 0	5 0 0	9	0 1 0	0 15 0
205	0 1 0	5 0 0	10	0 1 0	0 15 0
206	0 1 0	5 0 0	11	0 1 0	0 15 0
207	0 1 38	9 15 0	12	0 1 0	0 15 0
Ophir Town.			13	0 1 0	0 15 0
Block III.			14	0 1 0	0 15 0
6	0 1 0	5 0 0	15	0 1 0	0 15 0
Frankton Town.			16	0 1 0	0 15 0
Block XVII.			Block IV.		
13	0 0 18	2 5 0	4	0 0 37	0 15 0
14	0 0 18	2 5 0	5	0 0 37	0 15 0
Naseby Town.			6	0 0 37	0 15 0
Block I.			7	0 0 37	0 15 0
192	0 0 22	17 0 0	8	0 0 38	0 15 0
194	0 0 14	10 0 0	9	0 0 34	0 15 0
195	0 0 4	5 0 0	10	0 0 37	0 15 0
196	0 0 31	17 0 0	Block V.		
197	0 0 34	20 0 0	1	0 1 0	0 15 0
198	0 0 10	12 0 0	2	0 0 38	0 15 0
201	0 1 3	20 0 0	3	0 0 38	0 15 0
202	0 0 7	20 0 0	4	0 0 38	0 15 0
Valuation for improvements: 192, £17; 195, £7 10s.; 196, £60; 198, £50; 201, £30; 202, £120.			9	0 1 0	0 15 0
SUBURBAN LANDS.			11	0 1 0	0 15 0
Komako Town.			12	0 0 38	0 15 0
166	6 2 20	13 5 0	Block VI.		
218	3 0 30	9 11 3	2	0 1 0	0 15 0
219	3 2 21	10 18 0	3	0 1 0	0 15 0
220	4 0 23	12 8 6	4	0 1 0	0 15 0
223	5 2 5	16 12 0	5	0 1 0	0 15 0
Arrowtown Extension.			6	0 1 0	0 15 0
Block XXVIII.			7	0 1 0	0 15 0
8	1 1 11	2 12 9	8	0 0 38	0 15 0
4	1 0 0	2 0 0	9	0 0 39	0 15 0
Kaitangata Town.			10	0 1 0	0 15 0
Block LVII.			11	0 1 0	0 15 0
1	0 3 25	2 15 0	12	0 1 0	0 15 0
2	0 3 5	2 7 6	13	0 1 0	0 15 0
3	0 2 26	2 0 0	14	0 1 17	1 0 0
Block LVIII.			Block VIII.		
1	2 0 4	6 1 6	1	1 0 0	3 0 0
2	1 2 30	5 2 6	2	0 3 29	2 17 6
3	1 2 30	5 2 6	Block IX.		
Valuation for improvements: Section 1, Block VIII., £65 12s.; Section 2, Block VIII., £1 10s.; Section 1, Block IX., £37 15s.; Section 2, Block IX., £3 12s. 6d.			1	1 0 0	3 0 0
			2	1 2 4	4 10 0

Terms and Conditions.

One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on fall of hammer; the balance, with Crown-grant fee (£1), within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the part of the purchase-money paid by way of deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void.

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

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land, Canterbury, open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 14th December, 1898.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection, in terms of sections 107 and 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," on lease in perpetuity, on and after Wednesday, 1st March, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—HALSWELL SURVEY DISTRICT.

Block X., Reserve 959, Lake Ellesmere.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
29 and 30	IX.	A. R. P. 573 1 34	£ s. d. 0 1 3	£ s. d. 17 18 6

These sections are situated on the northern shore of Lake Ellesmere, about two miles and a half southwestward from the Greenpark Railway-station on the Little River branch line of railway, and comprise low-lying land, liable in great part to be flooded when the lake is high, but well adapted for pastoral purposes. The soil is of light sandy quality, carrying principally native lake grasses, with rye-grass and clover on the better portions. The sections are weighted with a valuation of £101 18s. 6d. for improvements, consisting of boundary-fencing and three artesian wells.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Otago open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 19th December, 1898.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 27th February, 1899.

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.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

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

TOKORAHU ESTATE.

Waitaki County.—Maruenua Survey District.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
19	VIII.	19 3 17	0 9 6 | 4 14 4

This section is nearly all rising ground from Tokorahi-Island Cliff Road to the eastern boundary of the estate, and is all first-class ploughable land; there is no visible water on the section, but it could possibly be obtained by sinking; the Awamoko Stream is about 40 chains distant by road; situated close to Tokorahi Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £22.

27 | VIII. | 2 0 27 | 0 17 0 | 0 18 5
Flat land, adjoining Tokorahi Railway-station; soil fair; water to be obtained by sinking.

TEANARAKI SETTLEMENT.

Waitaki County.—Oamaru Survey District.

17 | XII. | 10 0 0 | 0 18 2 | 4 10 10
Rich agricultural land, all ploughable; situated about two miles from Enfield Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £37 16s. 9d.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in the Counties of Ashburton, Geraldine, Waimate, and Mackenzie for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 12th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction at the times and places hereunder noted.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Pastoral Licenses under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Run No.	Name of Station.	County.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
(To be offered at the Local Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Tuesday, the 21st February, 1899, at 3.30 p.m.)					
			A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
3	Part of Mount Peel Station ..	Geraldine ..	2,700 0 0	90 0 0	10 years.
4A	Part of Peel Forest Station ..	" ..	2,250 0 0	112 0 0	10 "
4B	" ..	" ..	1,200 0 0	94 0 0	10 "
4c	" ..	" ..	550 0 0	40 0 0	10 "
48	Part of Waimate Station ..	Waimate ..	4,850 0 0	145 0 0	14 "
49	" ..	" ..	4,800 0 0	140 0 0	14 "
67	Akatarawa Station ..	" ..	29,200 0 0	850 0 0	14 "
204	(Waitaki River) ..	" ..	159 2 0	8 0 0	7 "
205	(Hakateramea River) ..	" ..	118 0 0	15 0 0	7 "
90	Part of Tasman Island Station ..	Mackenzie ..	3,250 0 0	20 0 0	10 "
91	" ..	" ..	1,000 0 0	15 0 0	10 "
207	" ..	" ..	550 0 0	14 0 0	10 "
206 & Res. 2928	Part of Ben Ohau Station ..	" ..	3,716 0 0	60 0 0	10 "
(To be offered at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Monday, the 27th February, 1899, at 12 noon.)					
103	McRae's Station ..	Ashburton ..	1,688 0 0	50 0 0	10 years.
106	Anama Station ..	" ..	7,000 0 0	350 0 0	14 "
107	Shepherd's Bush Station ..	" ..	7,300 0 0	310 0 0	14 "
203	Part of Clent Hills Station ..	" ..	1,500 0 0	35 0 0	10 "

Run No. 3, part of Mount Peel Station, Geraldine County: Situate about sixteen miles from Geraldine and fifteen from South Rangitata Railway-station, up the Rangitata Valley, on the west side of the river, and on the east of Little Mount Peel; it extends westward from Mr. Acland's freehold—a narrow strip along the main road—to near the summit of Little Mount Peel, which is 4,293 ft. above the sea; chiefly high broken tussock and snow-grass country, intersected by deep gullies, with a considerable amount of forest and scrub.

Run No. 4A, part of Peel Forest Station, Geraldine County: Situate about thirteen miles from Geraldine, in the Orari Gorge. Bounded on the west by the Orari River, and running up towards Little Mount Peel, to an altitude of about 2,500 ft. above the sea. Broken but good pastoral country; some light bush and scrub in the gullies.

Run No. 4B, part of Peel Forest Station, Geraldine County: Situate about eleven miles and a half from Geraldine, at the commencement of the Orari Gorge; lies south of and adjoining Run No. 4A, and is similar in description.

Run No. 4c, part of Peel Forest Station, Geraldine County: Situate about fourteen miles from Geraldine, along the Peel Forest Road; lies to the east of and adjoining Runs Nos. 4A and 4B; good pastoral country. This run occupies an isolated position, and cannot well be worked with the other two.

Run No. 48, part of Waimate Station, Waimate County: Situate about eight miles from Waimate, on the eastern slope and towards the southern end of the Hunter's Hills. Chiefly high broken pastoral country, running up to 3,400 ft. above sea-level. Intersected by several forest gullies.

Run No. 49, part of Waimate Station, Waimate County: Situate about five miles from Waimate, on the western side and at the southern end of the Hunter's Hills. Chiefly high and broken pastoral country, running up to 2,500 ft. above sea-level.

Run No. 67, Akatarawa Station, Waimate County: Situate about sixteen miles from Hakateramea Railway-station. High broken pastoral country, running up to 4,150 ft. above sea-level. Has a frontage of sixteen miles to the Waitaki River.

Run No. 204, Waitaki River, Waimate County: Situate about seven miles south of Hakateramea Railway-station. Some islands and river-bed in the Waitaki River; covered with grass, tussock, and shingle.

Run No. 205, Hakateramea River, Waimate County: Situate about twenty miles up the Hakateramea River from the railway-station. A narrow strip of land lying between the river and the road.

Run No. 90, part of Tasman Island Station, Mackenzie County: Situate at the northern end of the Mackenzie County, in the Tasman River, about nineteen miles from Lake Tekapo Hotel. All soft swamp in the centre, with only a fringe all round the outside on which cattle can run.

Run No. 91, part of Tasman Island Station, Mackenzie County: Situate immediately north of Run No. 90; also an island in the Tasman River, about twenty miles from Lake Tekapo Hotel. All sound bottom, except the actual shingle portions; good pasture.

Run No. 207, Tasman River, Mackenzie County: Situate directly to the east of Run No. 91, on the east bank of the Tasman River, about twenty miles from Lake Tekapo Hotel, and about four north of Braemar Homestead. A narrow strip of land lying between the road and the river.

Run No. 206, and Plantation Reserve No. 2928, part of Ben Ohau Station, Mackenzie County: Situate in the Mackenzie County, about five miles from Lake Pukaki Hotel, and in the centre of Run No. 87, Ben Ohau. Considerably cut up by small swampy streams; good grazing-country, except in the winter, when it lies cold.

Run No. 103, McRae's Station, Ashburton County: Situate about four miles from Springburn Railway-station, on the south-eastern slopes of Mount Somers. The upper half is rough broken rocky country, is comparatively low country, fairly well grassed, and easy of access. The run is bounded on three sides by forest, and intersected by deep gullies covered with birch forest. Altitude from 2,000 ft. to 3,000 ft. above sea-level.

Run No. 106, Anama Station, Ashburton County: Situate about twelve miles from Mount Somers Railway-station, up the southern branch of the Ashburton River, and two miles southerly from it. It occupies the eastern slopes of the Moorhouse Range, near its termination. High pastoral country, though the lower slopes are good tussock hills.

Run No. 107, Shepherd's Bush Station, Ashburton County: Situate about seven miles from Mount Somers Railway-station, and at the southern end of the Moorhouse Range, between it and the Rangitata River, which bounds it for a distance of six miles. High pastoral country, running up to 4,500 ft. above sea-level.

Run No. 203, part of Clent Hills Station, Ashburton County: Situate about seventeen miles from Mount Somers Railway-station, up the south branch of the Ashburton River, to the east side of which it has a frontage both above and below a piece of freehold which cuts into the run. Eastern portion flat and partly swamp; western portion low hills. There are two small lakes within the run, known as Maori Lakes.

S. WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 22nd February, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.		
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	
Patea	Opaku	6	XII.	A. R. P. 352 0 0	s. d. 12 6	£ s. d. 220 0 0	s. d. 0 7.5	£ s. d. 5 10 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 4 8 0	
		7	"	870 0 0	12 6	543 15 0	0 7.5	13 11 10	0 6	10 17 6	
	"	"	9	"	346 0 0	10 0	173 0 0	0 6	4 6 6	0 4.8	3 9 3
	"	"	5	XVI.	450 0 0	10 0	225 0 0	0 6	5 12 6	0 4.8	4 10 0
	"	"	6	"	602 0 0	10 0	301 0 0	0 6	7 10 6	0 4.8	6 0 5
	"	"	8	"	343 0 0	10 0	171 10 0	0 6	4 5 9	0 4.8	3 8 8
	"	"	9, 33, 34	"	673 0 16	8 6	276 1 4	0 5.1	6 18 0	0 4.08	5 10 6
	"	"	10, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 37	"	834 3 5	8 6	354 15 8	0 5.1	8 17 6	0 4.08	7 2 0
	"	Kapara	2	IX.	837 0 0	12 6	210 12 6	0 7.5	5 5 4	0 6	4 4 3
	"		4		189 0 0	12 6	118 2 6	0 7.5	2 19 1	0 6	2 7 3
	"		5		335 0 0	12 6	209 7 6	0 7.5	5 4 9	0 6	4 3 9
	"		7		232 0 0	12 6	145 0 0	0 7.5	3 12 6	0 6	2 18 0
	"		8		290 0 0	10 0	145 0 0	0 6	3 12 6	0 4.8	2 18 0
	"		9		472 0 0	10 0	236 0 0	0 6	5 18 0	0 4.8	4 14 5
	"		10		470 0 0	10 0	235 0 0	0 6	5 17 6	0 4.8	4 14 0
	"		11		414 0 0	8 6	175 19 0	0 5.1	4 8 0	0 4.08	3 10 5
	"		12		547 0 0	8 6	232 9 6	0 5.1	5 16 3	0 4.08	4 13 0
	"		13		307 0 0	8 6	190 9 6	0 5.1	3 5 3	0 4.08	2 12 3
	"	14	330 0 0	10 0	165 0 0	0 6	4 2 6	0 4.8	3 6 0		
	"	3	X.	204 0 0	10 0	102 0 0	0 6	2 11 0	0 4.8	2 0 10	
"	4	"	537 0 0	10 0	268 10 0	0 6	6 14 3	0 4.8	5 7 5		
"	1	"	922 0 0	10 0	461 0 0	0 6	11 10 6	0 4.8	9 4 5		
"	2	XIII.	447 0 0	10 0	223 10 0	0 6	5 11 9	0 4.8	4 9 5		
"	"	"	570 0 0	10 0	285 0 0	0 6	7 2 6	0 4.8	5 14 0		

Locality and Description of Land.

This land adjoins the settled districts contiguous to Waverley and Patea. The sections in Block XII., Opaku, are about twenty-two and twenty miles from Waverley and Momohaki Railway-stations, thirteen miles of which are by dray-road. Those in Block XVI., Opaku, are from eleven to eighteen miles from Waverley *via* Motoroa and Okotuku Roads; also *via* Okahutiria Road, thirteen miles dray- and five miles bridle-road. Those in Blocks IX., X., and XIII., Kapara, are from sixteen to twenty-two miles distant from Momohaki Railway-station *via* Weraweraonga Road, eleven miles of which are dray-road and the remainder bridle-track; also *via* Ridge and Mangawhio Roads, eighteen miles being a dray-road. Section 1, Block XIII., Kapara, has also a frontage to Omahire Road, distant about thirteen miles from Waverley, ten miles being a dray-road. The block, generally speaking, is very rough, but of fair quality of soil, and, owing to the difficulty of getting homestead-sites, it is only suitable for settlement in large areas. The valleys near the south end of the block are about 1,000 ft. below the ridges. Throughout the block the slopes are steep and the gullies generally gorgy; the formation is papa; the timber consists mostly of rata, tawa, hinau, with birch on the ridges, and the usual undergrowth.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notice.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 20th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court, High Street, Auckland, on the 1st day of February, 1899, at 10 o'clock, to hear and determine the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which application has been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 68 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Nature of Application.
1	Official Assignee in Bankruptcy of the estate of Oliver M. Creagh	Application to Court to order that the sum of £402 12s. 1d., paid to Public Trustee by the Government in satisfaction of survey cost, due to Oliver M. Creagh, be paid by the Public Trustee to the applicant.

Result of University Scholarships and Schools of Mines Examinations.

Mines Department, Wellington, 27th January, 1899.

THE following table, showing the results of the recent Schools of Mines examinations, and for university scholarships in connection therewith, is published for general information.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

RESULT OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND SCHOOLS OF MINES EXAMINATIONS.

Name of Student.	Practical Chemistry (Senior).	Practical Chemistry (Junior).	Theoretical Chemistry (Senior).	Theoretical Chemistry (Junior).	Theoretical Chemistry, Elementary.	Practical Assaying (Senior).	Practical Assaying (Junior).	Practical Assaying, Wet (Senior).	Practical Assaying, Wet (Junior).	Mineralogy.	Metallurgy of Gold and Silver.	Mining.	Ventilation and Explosives.	Pumping and Wind-ing.	General and Mining Geology.	Land and Mining Surveying.	Map-drawing.	Mechanical Drawing.
<i>Thames School of Mines.</i>																		
W. Donovan ..	95		91								89	93	92		83	90	75	79
E. J. Banks ..	98		90			98		96			83	75	90	88	65	78	73	75
C. D. Finn ..	51					81		66			60							
G. Foy ..		70						90										
R. Kidd ..						70		60										
R. McDuff ..						69		60										
C. Harris ..	70					89		65			46				30			
F. Hetherington						95												
W. Dare ..						67												
H. J. Phillips ..						66				27.3	23				*			
L. Thorburn ..						65												
A. Brown ..						70												
K. M. Graham ..		71		80						56	79	71	73	73	68.2	49	67	53
F. Bell ..																		
C. E. Walker ..								88										
A. G. R. Williams								59			11							
G. T. Jackson ..								60				67						
W. J. Gillies ..			50													54.5	59	
J. Parsons ..					68													
E. Gillespie ..					*													
F. Taylor ..					50													
W. Addison ..					*													
A. Pearce ..					*													
A. Lukey ..					*													
F. J. Moyle ..					90													
L. Ingerson ..					81													
E. Greenslade ..					80													
E. C. Danby ..																		77
B. Atkinson ..																		64
J. Thomson ..																33	46	
G. McDermott ..																24.5	51	
<i>Coromandel School of Mines.</i>																		
C. Fraser ..	88		94								78	82	78		70	79.5		64
T. Cooper ..												70	73	71		78.5		
J. H. Johnson ..												45	22	49		44		
O. Bell ..										70		49	59	32	56.2			
H. A. Darrow ..	82		78															
J. B. Copeland ..							67											
E. McMillan ..							60				29							
A. McGregor ..															33.5			
C. G. Ingall ..										59.4								
J. Hooker ..																		
C. J. Aickin ..																	31.5	
A. Metcalfe ..																	67	
																	46	
<i>Waihi School of Mines.</i>																		
E. Johnson ..					52													
R. Arscott ..												56						
E. P. Hargreaves						71												
<i>Reefton School of Mines.</i>																		
John Ellery ..												54		32				
<i>Otago School of Mines.</i>																		
K. M. Barrance ..	90		92								87	88	94		78.5	84		53

* No award made.

NOTE.—Messrs. W. Donovan, E. J. Banks, C. Fraser, and K. M. Barrance are scholarship candidates.

RETURN of REVENUE collected at the GENERAL POST OFFICE and in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1898.

	POSTAL REVENUE.							TELEGRAPH REVENUE.				Total Post and Telegraph Revenue.
	Private Box and Bag Rents.	Money-order Commission.	Stamps sold, and credited to Stamp Revenue.	Postal Guides.	Postal-note Commission.	Miscellaneous Receipts (Postal).	Total Postal.	Telegrams.	Telephone Exchanges.	Miscellaneous Telegraph.	Total Telegraph.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Post Office ..	2 0 0	.. ..	.. ..	7 13 0	.. ..	154 3 11	163 16 11	.. ..	27 12 5	169 0 5	196 12 10	360 9 9
Auckland	83 0 0	877 3 4	8,758 18 8	5 6 0	124 13 7½	..	9,854 1 7½	4,332 1 8	3,414 7 2	33 2 6	7,779 11 4	17,633 12 11½
Blenheim	8 0 0	64 6 6	785 6 2½	0 14 0	12 13 9½	0 1 0	871 1 6	398 11 9½	112 12 3	1 0 0	512 4 0½	1,333 5 6½
Christchurch	181 10 0	412 12 0	8,095 4 4	5 12 6	75 2 1½	0 4 0	8,710 4 11½	3,226 6 11	3,097 9 8	42 3 11	6,366 0 6	15,076 5 5½
Dunedin	84 10 0	403 4 0	6,570 19 6½	2 13 0	88 19 3½	0 4 0	7,150 9 10	3,545 0 0	3,078 12 5	53 1 3	6,676 13 8	13,827 3 6
Gisborne	9 0 0	54 18 3	651 0 10	0 10 6	6 16 11½	..	722 6 6½	553 16 1	261 14 8	1 2 1	816 12 10	1,538 19 4½
Greymouth	9 0 0	106 1 3	1,193 1 10½	0 1 0	11 16 8	..	1,320 0 9½	757 2 10	201 5 0	1 2 6	959 10 4	2,279 11 1½
Hokitika	2 0 0	37 10 3	428 10 9½	..	6 14 11½	..	474 16 0	316 18 11	..	0 2 6	317 1 5	791 17 5
Invercargill	50 10 0	161 8 6	3,725 0 10	2 18 6	45 10 2	..	3,985 8 0	1,468 10 3	843 16 3	13 10 0	2,325 16 6	6,311 4 6
Napier	54 0 0	233 2 3	3,214 14 2½	4 18 0	49 16 3	..	3,556 10 8½	1,567 10 8	1,042 15 2	5 9 7	2,615 15 5	6,172 6 1½
Nelson	6 10 0	79 13 9	978 19 1	0 3 6	14 4 4½	0 2 0	1,079 12 8½	607 1 2	123 12 9	23 0 0	753 13 11	1,833 6 7½
New Plymouth	36 0 0	114 6 9	1,448 7 2	0 5 6	27 18 6	..	1,626 17 11	790 13 8	361 3 10	8 10 0	1,160 7 6	2,787 5 5
Oamaru	8 0 0	43 7 0	1,358 11 1½	0 5 6	14 17 3	0 4 0	1,430 4 10½	406 9 2	252 4 7	3 0 0	661 13 9	2,091 13 7½
Thames	24 0 0	202 12 3	2,193 19 9	0 2 6	29 11 3	..	2,450 5 9	867 8 1½	170 6 9	2 10 0	1,040 4 10½	3,490 10 7½
Timaru	15 10 0	85 17 3	2,574 14 7	0 4 6	21 12 11	0 1 0	2,698 0 3	577 18 5	171 0 0	4 10 0	753 8 5	3,451 8 8
Wanganui	61 10 0	207 16 4	5,130 9 9½	1 10 6	54 19 7	..	5,456 6 2½	1,372 11 0½	441 0 8	7 10 0	1,821 1 8½	7,277 7 11
Wellington	118 10 0	766 9 3	11,785 3 2	11 10 6	115 13 4	2 14 0	12,800 0 3	4,942 17 11	3,976 7 6	461 17 1	9,381 2 6	22,181 2 9
Westport	2 0 0	84 8 0	670 14 9	0 1 6	11 7 4½	..	768 11 7½	500 19 10	..	0 10 0	501 9 10	1,270 1 5½
Total fourth quarter in 1898	760 10 0	3,939 16 11	59,503 16 8½	44 10 6	712 8 5	157 13 11	65,118 16 5½	26,231 18 5½	17,576 1 1	831 1 10	44,639 1 4½	109,757 17 10
Total fourth quarter in 1897	811 10 0	3,857 13 1	50,782 19 11	37 19 6	679 3 6½	271 0 0	56,440 6 0½	25,182 7 6	16,611 13 1	662 17 5	42,456 18 0	98,897 4 0½

General Post Office,
Wellington, 24th January, 1899.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1898.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams.		Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.*		Bureau Communications.		Total.		Government Telegrams.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Value.
Auckland	176	101,159	£ 3,582 12 1	4,462	£ 300 4 8	4,946	£ 317 16 11	6,682	£ 131 8 0	117,249	£ 4,332 1 8	9,195	£ 692 7 3
Blenheim	21	9,176	310 19 3½	594	43 12 9	139	23 19 0	521	15 0 9	10,430	398 11 9½	1,281	81 5 0
Christchurch	91	68,356	2,476 17 4	3,885	219 2 7	2,483	425 18 9	3,823	104 8 3	78,547	3,226 6 11	4,934	382 10 7
Dunedin	127	79,480	2,964 10 7	3,219	212 9 8	3,708	230 5 10	5,704	137 13 11	92,111	3,545 0 0	4,613	372 11 2
Gisborne	17	9,861	393 12 1	453	30 19 1	281	50 6 11	2,205	78 18 0	12,800	553 16 1	1,041	78 15 6
Greymouth	16	16,264	603 4 9	744	63 15 2	610	90 0 5	4	0 2 6	17,622	757 2 10	1,679	132 9 2
Hokitika	18	7,248	250 5 11	200	12 3 9	80	54 9 3	..	..	7,528	316 18 11	621	56 7 10
Invercargill	63	29,898	1,043 0 8	783	57 16 0	712	102 16 5	10,467	264 17 2	41,860	1,468 10 3	2,046	160 16 9
Napier	45	33,398	1,200 14 9	2,637	144 11 1	1,583	179 17 7	1,675	42 7 3	39,293	1,567 10 8	2,857	197 7 1
Nelson	36	15,995	115 6 4	504	24 16 9	17,259	466 13 7	11	0 4 6	33,769	607 1 2	2,053	128 10 7
New Plymouth	24	17,661	587 18 11	1,378	101 12 2	632	87 3 1	438	13 19 6	20,109	790 13 8	1,958	204 14 8
Oamaru	21	7,564	251 5 2	413	20 12 2	184	104 0 4	866	30 11 6	9,027	406 9 2	470	37 18 11
Thames	24	22,803	718 4 4½	1,027	70 16 4	443	68 10 5	329	9 17 0	24,602	867 8 1½	2,594	149 3 3
Timaru	20	12,747	434 7 0	479	53 4 4	296	90 7 1	..	..	13,522	577 18 5	805	54 10 11
Wanganui	33	33,594	1,119 16 11½	2,195	123 4 6	1,067	115 12 10	327	8 16 9	37,183	1,372 11 0½	2,309	161 8 7
Wellington	107	111,073	4,156 19 3	7,494	466 3 6	21,941	205 1 11	3,809	114 13 3	144,317	4,942 17 11	20,681	3,391 14 10
Westport	19	11,276	396 1 5	560	65 0 3	316	39 18 2	..	..	12,152	500 19 10	1,717	122 14 8
Total fourth quarter in 1898	858	587,553	20,605 16 10½	31,027	2,015 4 9	56,680	2,657 18 6	36,861	952 18 4	712,121	26,231 18 5½	60,854	6,405 6 9
Total fourth quarter in 1897	813	526,911	18,984 6 2	25,842	2,133 9 8½	60,749	2,774 12 11½	30,299	739 6 0	643,801	24,631 14 10	59,050	6,092 11 5

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

General Post Office,
Wellington, 24th January, 1899.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of POSTAL-NOTE TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1898.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	No. of Postal-note Offices open at the End of the Quarter.	NUMBER OF POSTAL NOTES SOLD.												Total Amount of Postal Notes sold, including Commission.	Commis-sion on Postal Notes sold.	NUMBER OF POSTAL NOTES PAID.												Total Amount of Postal Notes paid.						
		At 1/0	At 1/6	At 2/6	At 5/0	At 7/6	At 10/0	At 12/6	At 15/0	At 17/6	At £1.	At £5.	Total.			At 1/0	At 1/6	At 2/6	At 5/0	At 7/6	At 10/0	At 12/6	At 15/0	At 17/6	At £1.	At £5.	Total.							
Auckland ..	103	4,020	3,278	2,192	2,945	1,203	2,620	653	742	340	1,370	14	19,377	£ 6,045	s. 0	d. 7½	£ 124	s. 13	d. 7½	4,826	3,817	2,598	3,833	1,428	3,033	777	921	395	1,470	16	22,664	£ 6,822	s. 1	d. 6
Blenheim ..	8	343	318	114	294	129	298	64	74	30	164	2	1,890	634	11	3½	12	13	9½	153	152	68	123	47	125	13	41	17	74	2	815	276	3	6
Christchurch ..	57	2,009	1,720	1,120	1,726	667	1,608	391	540	175	962	15	10,933	3,769	13	7½	75	2	1½	3,050	2,613	1,653	2,320	1,083	2,175	672	797	307	1,187	21	15,878	5,207	2	0
Dunedin ..	53	2,551	2,267	1,177	1,841	890	1,834	492	599	249	1,142	46	13,088	4,591	5	9½	88	19	3½	3,430	3,017	1,684	2,351	1,131	2,392	609	742	327	1,239	49	16,971	5,523	8	0
Gisborne ..	4	186	197	99	142	75	137	39	33	18	89	7	1,022	364	5	11½	6	16	11½	107	82	39	62	20	53	27	25	7	43	4	469	170	12	6
Greymouth ..	10	387	208	186	261	114	239	71	91	34	144	..	1,735	583	18	2	11	16	8	204	119	85	130	60	145	46	51	22	67	1	930	315	10	0
Hokitika ..	8	198	165	111	132	62	154	37	45	11	86	1	1,002	333	12	11½	6	14	11½	116	91	51	75	31	91	22	26	9	60	3	575	211	0	0
Invercargill ..	32	1,263	966	592	977	488	962	295	365	156	462	9	6,535	2,264	19	8	45	10	2	818	603	401	618	430	613	186	244	108	369	14	4,304	1,553	15	0
Napier ..	29	1,764	1,383	725	1,133	527	1,052	274	337	143	467	14	7,819	2,425	7	3	49	16	3	1,193	845	508	796	339	633	183	236	93	239	9	5,174	1,560	18	0
Nelson ..	17	525	449	242	323	135	282	79	95	39	146	1	2,316	682	10	4½	14	4	4½	418	377	244	318	129	305	74	106	48	191	2	2,212	728	16	0
New Plymouth ..	11	976	742	407	606	276	520	172	221	105	307	..	4,332	1,370	7	6	27	18	6	727	537	275	354	240	388	124	170	89	236	8	3,143	1,042	7	6
Oamaru ..	9	435	376	235	347	147	303	75	122	37	163	2	2,242	731	6	3	14	17	3	236	212	103	170	88	210	51	88	37	132	3	1,330	498	6	6
Thames ..	18	857	726	470	751	330	656	163	171	88	267	2	4,481	1,409	4	9	29	11	3	350	313	176	299	136	362	87	83	41	154	3	2,004	691	4	6
Timaru ..	13	610	536	294	450	211	434	120	183	66	272	1	3,177	1,084	14	5	21	12	11	327	272	163	298	118	233	63	101	31	207	..	1,863	666	12	6
Wanganui ..	25	1,817	1,498	885	1,157	614	1,089	276	376	142	666	7	8,527	2,712	11	1	54	19	7	963	802	479	699	322	634	166	218	84	409	3	4,779	1,545	8	6
Wellington ..	58	3,363	2,690	1,627	2,789	1,129	2,464	603	758	271	1,417	21	17,132	5,746	1	4	115	13	4	4,623	3,723	2,140	4,205	1,481	3,395	783	973	349	2,168	22	23,862	7,884	10	0
Westport ..	15	360	330	207	261	102	239	66	71	28	117	3	1,784	553	19	10½	11	7	4½	122	91	62	66	33	78	16	31	8	52	..	559	180	16	0
Total 4th quarter in 1898	470	21,664	17,849	10,683	16,135	7,099	14,891	3,870	4,823	1,932	3,241	145	107,332	35,303	10	11	712	8	5	21,663	17,666	10,729	16,267	7,016	14,965	3,899	4,853	1,972	3,347	160	107,537	34,878	12	0
Total 4th quarter in 1897	449	20,138	17,194	9,726	15,473	6,622	13,985	3,794	4,666	1,862	3,072	170	101,702	33,957	7	6½	679	3	6½	20,125	17,117	9,730	15,460	6,662	13,920	3,762	4,618	1,837	3,121	162	101,514	33,182	13	0

General Post Office,
Wellington, 24th January, 1899.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of MONEY-ORDER and SAVINGS-BANK TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1898.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Money-order Offices open at End of Quarter.	MONEY-ORDERS.				Savings-Bank Offices open at End of Quarter.	SAVINGS-BANKS.							
		Issued.		Paid.			Accounts.		Number of Deposits.	Number of With- drawals.	Amount of Deposits.	Amount of Withdrawals.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits.
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		Opened.	Closed.						
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Auckland	96	16,396	59,752 2 5	13,847	57,181 12 5	94	1,270	921	8,896	7,637	120,968 13 4	111,424 10 0	9,544 3 4	..
Blenheim	7	1,503	4,608 9 9	481	1,894 9 2	7	128	55	990	679	10,349 15 7	8,788 1 9	1,561 13 10	..
Christchurch	52	9,795	28,607 6 0	8,269	29,886 7 2	52	1,253	1,018	12,009	11,404	151,602 6 5	165,886 14 3	..	14,284 7 10
Dunedin	46	10,457	27,696 5 7	8,535	32,007 14 1	43	988	787	9,404	7,798	108,064 11 7	111,758 9 2	..	3,693 17 7
Gisborne	8	1,015	3,210 9 11	325	1,326 1 6	3	180	136	1,009	919	11,129 9 0	10,714 15 2	414 13 10	..
Greymouth	10	2,289	7,089 0 3	950	3,474 17 3	10	148	131	934	804	10,464 19 10	12,503 13 5	..	2,038 13 7
Hokitika	6	920	2,389 2 8	456	1,838 3 6	6	61	55	386	292	5,432 8 11	5,207 15 2	274 13 9	..
Invercargill	27	4,133	12,113 14 6	2,109	7,503 16 1	27	341	285	2,056	1,672	27,512 3 7	27,292 13 0	219 10 7	..
Napier	28	5,107	15,200 8 5	2,553	8,393 18 6	21	431	313	3,160	2,135	31,601 7 1	28,024 4 3	3,577 2 10	..
Nelson	13	1,872	5,933 6 5	1,349	5,018 10 3	13	146	116	1,298	1,115	18,359 1 3	23,727 14 4	..	5,368 13 1
New Plymouth	7	2,807	8,647 13 3	1,393	5,343 12 9	7	228	166	1,528	1,178	23,157 11 3	18,506 14 5	4,650 16 10	..
Oamaru	9	1,312	4,518 1 10	997	3,733 2 10	9	97	126	814	816	9,879 6 2	10,942 19 1	..	1,063 12 11
Thames	17	4,656	14,607 0 4	1,647	6,360 5 2	17	312	406	2,134	2,270	21,389 5 4	25,715 17 1	..	4,326 11 9
Timaru	13	2,270	7,413 13 6	1,023	3,653 10 6	13	216	179	1,570	1,384	18,959 15 2	22,983 9 10	..	4,023 14 8
Wanganui	24	4,950	15,633 13 2	2,289	8,316 12 2	23	465	339	2,913	2,116	33,426 6 4	34,451 13 7	..	1,025 7 3
Wellington	52	14,406	41,486 16 3	11,850	42,819 15 10	49	1,671	1,443	13,940	11,785	156,043 8 1	168,783 1 8	..	12,739 13 7
Westport	12	1,960	5,550 13 8	468	1,623 4 9	11	106	114	729	639	8,660 13 0	11,945 7 1	..	3,284 14 1
Total 4th quarter in 1898	417	85,848	264,457 17 11	58,541	220,375 13 11	405	8,041	6,590	63,770	54,643	767,051 1 11	798,657 13 3	..	31,606 11 4
Total 4th quarter in 1897	396	80,477	249,887 18 0	54,886	205,765 0 10	386	7,887	6,364	60,749	49,583	733,112 2 4	741,861 8 2	..	8,749 5 10

General Post Office,
Wellington, 24th January, 1899.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

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RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of GOLD ENTERED for DUTY* for EXPORTATION from NEW ZEALAND from 1st APRIL, 1857, to 31st DECEMBER, 1898.

PRODUCE OF THE GOLDFIELDS IN		DURING THE QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1898.		ENTERED FOR EXPORTATION TO THE 30th SEPTEMBER, 1898.		TOTAL ENTERED FOR EXPORTATION FROM NEW ZEALAND TO THE 31st DECEMBER, 1898.	
County or Borough.	District.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		Oz.	£	Oz.	£	Oz.	£
County of Coromandel	Auckland	3,581	15,110				
Thames ..		2,716	11,440				
Ohinemuri ..		36,459	133,549				
Piako ..		4	16				
Borough of Thames ..		1,706	7,187				
		44,466	167,902	2,235,887	8,419,878	2,280,353	8,587,180
	Wellington ..	..	..	188	706	188	706
County of Marlborough	Marlborough ..	..	..	86,385	336,415	86,385	336,415
County of Collingwood	Nelson ..	..	..	1,674,859	6,640,045	1,674,859	6,640,045
County of Buller ..	West Coast	4,831	19,326				
Inangahua ..		6,213	24,850				
Grey ..		6,001	24,002				
Westland ..		5,756	23,022				
Borough of Kumara ..		118	471				
Hokitika ..		53	212				
Ross ..	965	3,860					
		23,937	95,743	4,355,701	17,322,651	4,379,638	17,418,894
	Canterbury ..	..	..	24	96	24	96
County of Taieri ..	Otago	1,105	4,284				
Tuapeka ..		2,128	8,501				
Vincent ..		1,687	6,629				
Maniototo ..		824	3,272				
Waitaki ..		556	2,215				
Lake ..		29	116				
Wallace ..		1,319	5,276				
Bruce ..		294	1,176				
Fiord ..		512	2,048				
Southland ..		630	2,520				
Stewart I. ..	15	60					
		9,099	36,097	5,415,059	21,433,908	5,424,158	21,470,005
Unknown ..	..	..	..	122	484	122	484
Totals ..	..	77,502	299,142	13,768,225	54,154,183	13,845,727	54,453,325

COMPARATIVE RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of GOLD ENTERED for DUTY* for EXPORTATION from NEW ZEALAND for the YEARS ended 31st DECEMBER, 1898 and 1897.

PRODUCE OF THE GOLDFIELDS IN THE DISTRICT OF	DURING THE QUARTER ENDED—				TOTALS FOR YEAR 1898.		TOTALS FOR YEAR 1897.	
	31st March, 1898.	30th June, 1898.	30th September, 1898.	31st December, 1898.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Oz.	Oz.	Oz.	Oz.	Oz.	£	Oz.	£
Auckland ..	29,405	29,157	39,355	44,466	142,368	527,786	105,477	392,337
Marlborough ..	160	18	603	..	781	3,003	810	3,195
Nelson ..	..	1,462	258	..	1,720	6,882	1,892	7,055
West Coast ..	25,207	16,107	14,697	23,937	79,948	319,789	58,817	235,430
Otago ..	14,696	19,819	11,729	9,099	55,343	223,231	84,649	342,187
Totals for 1898	69,468	66,563	66,642	77,502	280,175	1,080,691	..	..
Totals for 1897	69,621	60,046	60,222	61,756	..	..	251,645	980,204

* Gold duty abolished in the South Island on the 31st March, 1891, by "The Gold Duty Abolition Act, 1890."

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 25th January, 1899.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the YEAR ended 31st DECEMBER, 1898, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, the Ports of Arrival and Departure, and the Arrivals and Departures for each Month.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.					Excess of Immigration over Emigration.	Excess of Emigration over Immigration.
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.		
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.			
United Kingdom ..	1,525	758	152	163	2,598	621	413	85	80	1,199	1,399	..
Queensland ..	..	3	..	..	3	1	2	..	1	4	..	1
New South Wales ..	6,722	2,957	570	469	10,718	6,212	2,996	465	456	10,129	589	..
Victoria ..	1,880	1,151	173	171	3,375	1,524	968	137	145	2,774	601	..
Tasmania ..	562	232	45	34	873	420	236	30	26	712	161	..
Fiji ..	107	68	19	20	214	69	60	13	9	151	63	..
Other British possessions ..	297	94	36	16	443	440	129	36	23	628	..	185
Pacific Islands ..	220	111	12	9	352	113	65	10	7	195	157	..
Other foreign ports ..	191	64	13	11	279	253	100	9	5	367	..	88
Totals ..	11,504	5,438	1,020	893	18,855	9,653	4,969	785	752	16,159	2,696	..

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara ..	1	..	..	1	1	16	14	14	16	30
Auckland ..	6,843	702	5,272	2,273	7,545	5,755	586	4,175	2,166	6,341
Napier ..	2	..	1	1	2	7	..	6	1	7
Wellington ..	6,084	763	4,449	2,398	6,847	5,400	561	3,946	2,015	5,961
Westport ..	1	..	..	1	1	4	..	2	2	4
Greymouth ..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	1	5
Lyttelton ..	2	4	4	2	6	243	29	157	115	272
Timaru ..	4	1	2	3	5	1	..	..	1	1
Dunedin ..	7	1	3	5	8	33	10	23	20	43
Bluff ..	3,998	442	2,793	1,647	4,440	3,158	337	2,111	1,384	3,495
Totals ..	16,942	1,913	12,524	6,831	18,855	14,622	1,537	10,438	5,721	16,159

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

SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR 1898.

	Adults—i.e., over 12 Years.		Children.	Total.
	Males.	Females.		
Arrivals ..	11,504	5,438	1,913	18,855
Departures ..	9,653	4,969	1,537	16,159
Excess of arrivals over departures ..	1,851	469	376	2,696

ARRIVALS IN AND DEPARTURES FROM NEW ZEALAND DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR 1898.

Month.	ARRIVALS.						DEPARTURES.					
	From					Total Arrivals.	To					
	United Kingdom.	Australasian Colonies.	Fiji.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Ports.		United Kingdom.	Australasian Colonies.	Fiji.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Ports.	Total Departures.
January ..	221	2,076	33	2	52	2,384	49	1,246	9	48	27	1,379
February ..	133	1,332	26	35	32	1,558	118	1,597	15	76	50	1,856
March ..	140	1,327	19	20	21	1,527	275	1,879	14	175	64	2,407
April ..	2	1,073	11	27	63	1,176	169	1,274	17	98	35	1,593
May ..	187	940	10	40	34	1,211	178	1,308	21	24	83	1,614
June ..	85	892	7	34	25	1,043	114	1,108	24	35	24	1,305
July ..	167	740	11	50	17	985	25	990	13	67	113	1,208
August ..	102	1,098	6	26	207	1,439	94	802	8	33	53	990
September ..	186	1,064	4	43	51	1,348	35	885	6	19	19	964
October ..	176	1,556	28	38	31	1,829	65	802	15	22	51	955
November ..	316	1,681	27	62	50	2,136	23	747	8	27	24	829
December ..	883	1,190	32	66	48	2,219	54	981	1	4	19	1,059
Totals ..	2,598	14,969	214	443	631	18,855	1,199	13,619	151	628	562	16,159

Chinese included above: Arrivals—28 (25 men and 3 women), from Australia; departures—93 men, for Australia.

ARRIVALS IN 1898—CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO BIRTHPLACE AND RACE.

Birthplace.	Of European Descent.				Race Aliens.*				Totals.
	Adults.		Children.		Adults.		Children.		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	6,076	2,917	448	431	..	..	..	..	9,872
<i>British Possessions.</i>									
<i>Anustralasia—</i>									
Queensland	30	10	2	1	..	..	..	..	43
New South Wales	695	319	84	58	..	..	..	..	1,156
Victoria	390	314	67	59	..	..	..	..	830
South Australia	62	28	3	4	..	..	..	..	97
Western Australia	13	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	17
Tasmania	127	67	21	19	..	..	..	..	234
Australia (colony not stated)	1,272	644	183	155	..	..	..	..	2,254
New Zealand	1,456	963	143	125	..	..	..	..	2,687
Total Anustralasia	4,045	2,348	504	421	..	..	..	..	7,318
Fiji	4	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	8
<i>Asia—</i>									
India .. .. .	..	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	6
Ceylon .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
<i>America—</i>									
Canada	12	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	17
Nova Scotia	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Total British Possessions	10,139	5,271	955	854	5	..	..	..	17,224
<i>Foreign Countries.</i>									
<i>Europe—</i>									
Austria	845	1	11	2	..	..	..	..	859
Denmark	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
France	85	36	14	12	..	..	..	..	147
Germany	124	41	13	9	..	..	..	..	187
Greece	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Holland	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Italy	74	17	5	3	..	..	..	..	99
Norway	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Poland	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Russia	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Sweden	24	9	1	..	..	..	..	..	34
<i>Asia—</i>									
China	6	..	..	..	25	3	..	..	34
Japan .. .. .	..	..	..	..	5	2	2	..	9
Syria .. .. .	..	..	..	..	6	4	2	1	13
<i>Africa—</i>									
United States	123	40	9	5	..	..	..	..	177
<i>Pacific Islands</i>	1	2	2	3	17	3	1	..	29
Not stated .. .. .	..	4	4	4	..	..	..	..	12
Total Foreign Countries	1,307	155	60	38	53	12	5	1	1,631
Totals	11,446	5,426	1,015	892	58	12	5	1	18,855

* "Race alien" is a person not of European descent.

ARRIVALS IN AND DEPARTURES FROM NEW ZEALAND DURING EACH OF THE YEARS 1891-98.

Year.	ARRIVALS.						DEPARTURES.					Total De- partures.
	From					Total Arrivals.	To					
	United Kingdom.	Austral- asian Colonies.	Fiji.	Other British Posses- sions.	Foreign Ports.		United Kingdom.	Austral- asian Colonies.	Fiji.	Other British Posses- sions.	Foreign Ports.	
1891 ..	2,435	11,144	199	..	653	14,431	1,705	15,016	149	..	759	17,629
1892 ..	2,555	14,674	200	57	636	18,122	1,612	10,669	170	65	648	13,164
1893 ..	2,929	22,351	261	63	531	26,135	1,583	13,277	167	31	665	15,723
1894 ..	2,846	21,291	377	62	661	25,237	1,669	20,488	198	45	584	22,984
1895 ..	2,365	18,573	301	61	562	21,862	1,703	13,377	133	78	626	20,967
1896 ..	1,956	14,125	326	176	653	17,236	1,578	13,208	150	185	643	15,764
1897 ..	2,724	14,799	233	301	535	18,592	1,592	13,293	116	242	597	15,840
1898 ..	2,598	14,969	214	443	631	18,855	1,199	13,619	151	628	562	16,159

SUMMARY OF ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FOR THE YEARS 1891-98.

Year.	ARRIVALS.				DEPARTURES.				Excess of Arrivals over Departures.	Excess of Departures over Arrivals.
	Adults—i.e., over 12 Years.		Children.	Total.	Adults—i.e., over 12 Years.		Children.	Total.		
	Males.	Females.			Males.	Females.				
1891 ..	8,649	4,238	1,544	14,431	10,098	5,023	2,508	17,629	..	3,198
1892 ..	11,076	4,947	2,099	18,122	7,680	3,947	1,537	13,164	4,958	..
1893 ..	15,577	7,019	3,539	26,135	9,457	4,693	1,573	15,723	10,412	..
1894 ..	14,829	7,367	3,041	25,237	14,508	6,229	2,247	22,984	2,253	..
1895 ..	12,973	6,588	2,301	21,862	12,685	6,292	1,990	20,967	895	..
1896 ..	10,192	5,128	1,916	17,236	9,212	4,932	1,620	15,764	1,472	..
1897 ..	11,095	5,381	2,116	18,592	9,501	4,896	1,443	15,840	2,752	..
1898 ..	11,504	5,438	1,913	18,855	9,653	4,969	1,537	16,159	2,696	..

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of DECEMBER, 1898, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	549	235	43	56	883	22	18	7	7	54
Queensland .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Victoria	196	162	24	27	409	120	68	5	7	200
New South Wales	386	244	41	28	699	431	200	40	29	700
Western Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania	45	22	8	7	82	42	28	8	3	81
Fiji	10	13	4	5	32	..	1	..	..	1
Other British possessions	37	18	9	2	66*	2	1	1	..	4†
Pacific Islands	11	2	1	2	16‡	3	2	1	2	8§
Other foreign ports	17	14	1	..	32¶	10	1	..	..	11¶
Totals, December, 1898	1,251	710	131	127	2,219	630	319	62	48	1,059
Totals, December, 1897	1,274	791	124	124	2,313	747	336	45	32	1,160

* From Calcutta, 5; Norfolk Island, 13; Cook Islands, 17; Vancouver, 30; India, 1. † For Vancouver. ‡ From Friendly Islands. § For Friendly Islands. ¶ From United States of America, West Coast. ¶ For United States of America, West Coast.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1
Auckland	753	93	553	293	846	336	38	249	125	374
Wellington	780	99	555	324	879	349	49	264	134	398
Napier	1	..	1	..	1	5	..	4	1	5
Timaru	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Invercargill	426	66	273	219	492	258	23	175	106	281
Totals, December, 1898	1,961	258	1,382	837	2,219	949	110	692	367	1,059
Totals, December, 1897	2,065	248	1,398	915	2,313	1,083	77	792	368	1,160

CHINESE.—Arrivals: Wellington, 3. Departures: Wellington, 5.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

CORN CROPS SOWN OR INTENDED TO BE SOWN THIS SEASON.

SUMMARY OF PROVINCES.

Provincial District.	Wheat.					Oats.					Barley.				Rye.				Maize.				Peas.				Beans.			Vetches or Tares.			Linseed.		Hops.		Other Crops.					
	Acreage.				Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.				Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.			Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.			Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.			Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	Acreage.		Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	Acreage.													
	For Threshing.	For Chaffing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.		For Threshing.	For Chaffing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.		For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.		For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.		For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.		For Threshing.	For Ensilage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	For Threshing.		For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.	Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	Acreage.
AUCKLAND ..	11,420	249	5	43	55,307	8,459	34,610	404	1,255	18,110	580	2	113	343	76	5	20	40	15720	41	1404	75,578	129	1	23	154	60	6	80	10	...	23	2	7	4	2	..	165	1	..	61	5
1897-98	7,413	587	2	313	68,480	5,602	28,164	286	1,281	11,211	1,420	5	227	855	41	12	19	100	13079	78	1428	168703	141	1	13	194	82	..	168	3	3	8	4	8	1,560	1	40	32	1	4	300	..
HAWKE'S BAY	2,494	175	1,466	7,487	9,234	6	159	16,980	4,540	40	371	1,780	275	1	..	128	2,483	..	59	12,696	131	138	119	4	50	15	312	6	300	1	..	10	23	..
1897-98	979	113	..	50	1,512	4,312	5,966	3	296	17,665	1,951	18	137	7,334	103	4	25	827	1,043	..	22	8,330	41	208	43	..	146	4	..	3	55	6	8,558	77	028	2	44	..
TARANAKI ..	1,934	2	..	6	3,990	5,792	1,881	118	961	5,969	861	3	37	973	46	10	1	180	93	3	9	270	102	164	175	..	132	2	12	2	63	4
1897-98	2,585	82	..	60	7,462	5,284	2,019	93	655	6,867	816	12	70	488	67	..	90	160	439	8	22	138	55	108	217	8	230	6	1	144	..	56	
WELLINGTON	19,937	103	..	3	59,916	23,137	17,149	54	592	29,026	1,176	42	34	1,976	249	1	..	2525	220	7	10	454	929	..	6	366	173	1	28	15	..	15	6	11	156	54,390	5	
1897-98	13,142	572	..	706	22,474	19,705	12,145	104	1,397	64,077	531	100	86	2,838	102	1	9	90	241	9	1	1,063	775	20	5	363	232	3	170	5	2	..	607	21	678	21,258	3	..	2	
MARLBOROUGH	7,784	12	1	4	13,423	3,570	6,702	..	34	1,852	5,622	55	63	2	3	977	186	103	..	1	60	9	
1897-98	6,000	144	15	200	9,272	3,227	6,303	250	110	2,399	3,374	..	238	132	14	..	80	2	1080	71	73	10	10	2	3		
NELSON ..	3,548	22	3,868	3,898	9,243	4	67	1,695	4,063	555	46	58	35	185	492	411	14	..	130	23	..	11	18	1	122	922	6,000
1897-98	4,245	112	..	303	6,887	4,490	12,679	34	303	3,105	3,594	12	239	203	51	..	40	135	18	..	1	457	589	..	14	206	55	..	45	16	3	4	..	5	..	832	5,500	2
WESTLAND	434	11	32	1	
1897-98	..	44	717	34	63	1	
CANTERBURY	248639	489	87	..	997,835	141137	58,776	4	4,770	145,855	15388	63	1067	39,889	512	..	268	3713	2	59	..	2,011	204	7	65	..	29	15
1897-98	200992	15484	7	7,764	716,692	115253	56,988	252	13585	245,991	10298	..	2266	27,803	216	..	1032	408	17	..	1	60	4004	..	226	8803	2,287	8	7849	76	53	16	1317	27	2,982	..	25604	8	..	4	1	..
OTAGO ..	99,780	69	30	53	454,656	220433	66,281	134	2,046	891,172	14068	7	255	66,681	1722	35	693	3219	376	101	1	16	31	18	..	19	..	1	..	391	42,234	..	56912	
1897-98	80,445	3,608	..	2,048	316,882	196946	74,717	283	6,049	1055281	7,936	2	681	52,069	1320	13	1152	629	189	67	..	5	14	5	..	20	15	7	35	2	948	32,357	..	5899	23	..
TOTALS	395536	1,121	123	109	1590461	413963	204310	735	9,916	1110659	46298	157	1877	112252	2989	52	982	6152	18554	51	1482	89559	6575	4	104	1450	2,673	7	371	277	7	115	88	456	42,951	944	67602	171	1	29	84	5
1897-98	315801	19625	24	11444	1149661	354819	199692	1339	23739	1406596	29920	149	3944	91,722	1915	30	2447	2351	14837	95	1475	178940	6752	21	263	9967	2,994	19	8628	129	78	68	1991	1017	46,281	845	45385	47	1	10	368	..
INCREASE ..	79,735	..	99	..	440,800	59,144	4,618	16378	8	..	20,530	1074	22	..	3801	3,717	..	7	99	22217	124	..	19		
DECREASE	18504	..	11335	604	13823	295,937	2067	1465	44	..	89,381	177	17	159	8517	321	12	8257	..	71	..	1903	561	3,330	284	..	

RETURN showing the CUSTOMS and EXCISE DUTIES collected at the several Ports of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st December, 1898.

CUSTOMS DUTIES.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	Rates of Duty.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Napier.	Wairau.	Picton.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Hokitika.	Lyttelton and Christchurch.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill.	Parcels Post.	TOTALS.		Corresponding Quarter, 1897.
																							Quantities.	Revenue.	
Spirits, ^{w} gal.	16s.	£ 18309	£ ..	£ 76	£ 1189	£ 621	£ 180	£ 2953	£ 19383	£ 5719	£ 551	£ 65	£ 2364	£ 1165	£ 2265	£ 1415	£ 15380	£ 1324	£ 1361	£ 20006	£ 4559	£ ..	123606 gal.	£ 98885	£ 95469
" perfumed,	30s.	132	..	..	..	4	..	..	122	25	..	..	..	..	3	..	171	4	3	197	..	..	441	£ 661	£ 573
Cigars and Snuff, ^{w} lb.	7s.	1804	12	..	10	77	..	198	1096	253	..	..	152	33	90	80	671	19	..	1526	54	..	17350 lb.	£ 6075	£ 6365
Cigarettes	*	3125	..	..	258	154	..	350	3059	723	22	..	109	..	43	22	1320	33	35	2924	..	..	..	12177	11115
Tobacco, manufactured, ^{w} lb.	3s. 6d.	14413	4	40	678	1698	57	2286	12627	2874	292	..	1817	676	1334	761	8989	335	408	12395	2276	..	365486 lb.	£ 63960	£ 62135
" unmanufactured, ^{w} lb.	2s.	1218	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12180	1218	1511
Wine, sparkling, ^{w} gal.	9s.	191	..	..	9	6	..	23	400	55	..	..	18	..	6	..	156	5	5	180	4	..	2373 gal.	£ 1068	£ 886
" Australian,	5s.	528	..	2	84	44	53	87	819	85	32	..	86	45	154	59	362	77	15	781	158	..	13884	£ 3471	£ 3243
" other kinds,	6s.	859	..	1	38	8	..	112	1163	324	4	4	45	3	34	..	1062	41	42	709	150	..	15330	£ 4599	£ 4531
Ale, Beer, &c., ^{w} gal.	2s.	952	..	..	106	..	..	112	1492	318	..	..	195	4	59	8	871	4	..	1551	493	..	61650	£ 6165	£ 5793
Tea, ^{w} lb.	4d.	4200	..	26	50	159	111	138	6358	222	23	8	160	80	198	79	2883	250	3	4541	262	..	1185060 lb.	£ 19751	£ 18386
Coffee, raw, ^{w} lb.	2d.	174	..	..	..	..	6	..	80	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	10	41	..	129	13	..	54840	£ 457	£ 492
" roasted,	5d.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1392	29	7
Chicory, Cocoa, and Chocolate, ^{w} lb.	3d.	227	..	..	3	7	4	5	156	15	..	..	19	1	..	..	124	..	..	299	10	..	69600	£ 870	£ 921
Sugar, Molasses, and Treacle, ^{w} lb.	1d.	22605	67	..	121	61	62	551	2993	1532	222	..	385	320	418	316	5526	691	224	6340	1627	..	5287320	£ 44061	£ 41397
Glucose, ^{w} lb.	1d.	47	..	..	..	..	..	3	148	9	..	..	31	..	..	..	76	..	..	109	2	..	102000	£ 425	£ 250
Opium, ^{w} lb.	40s.	76	..	..	..	4	..	..	214	..	..	..	..	..	288	..	..	..	..	576	..	..	579	1158	1523
Goods by Weight .. ..	..	12605	46	..	193	900	88	808	16787	2056	29	..	1644	89	406	97	8698	430	66	12064	1160	..	..	£ 58166	£ 60632
" ad valorem .. ..	..	36513	22	48	590	876	472	1951	35191	2991	297	22	2228	408	739	179	22964	1324	515	27032	2641	..	..	£ 137003	£ 151640
Other Duties .. ..	..	4810	38	..	66	286	67	302	7861	822	61	..	234	78	89	115	3461	173	98	6443	675	..	..	£ 25679	£ 23079
Parcels Post .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3475	..	£ 3475	£ 2602
Totals .. ..	..	122788	189	193	3395	4905	1100	9879	109972	18033	1533	99	9491	2902	6126	3141	72761	4710	2775	97802	14084	3475	..	£ 489353	£ ..
Corresponding quarter, 1897 .. ..	..	124337	2	172	3118	5081	1195	10573	112636	16037	1366	59	9803	2802	5607	3272	77720	5478	2969	96154	11567	2602	..	£ ..	£ 492550

* 17s. 6d. per 1,000 of 2½ lb. and under, and 6d. per ounce for weight over 2½ lb. per 1,000.

COMPARATIVE RETURN of CUSTOMS DUTIES for the YEARS 1898 and 1897.

Year 1898	490184	294	1145	13024	19045	3668	42080	451977	66833	5089	245	41923	10644	23130	11804	285374	20658	12105	398147	52632	11725	..	1961726	..
Year 1897	485150	88	1151	12244	17327	3098	38127	437898	64073	4377	207	39786	10241	23355	12366	286667	18626	11980	388152	48615	8632	..	1912160	..

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—Interim Return, 1898-99.—Notice No. 533.

Department of Agriculture, Wellington, 26th January, 1899.

THE attached figures show the areas under cereals and the estimated yield of wheat, oats, and barley "for threshing," also the quantity of grain on hand at 15th November, 1898.

Wheat.			Oats.			Barley.		
Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.
395,536	27	10,679,472	413,963	35	14,488,705	46,298	28	1,296,344

The quantity of wheat available for all purposes for the period, 15th November, 1898, to 15th November, 1899, may be estimated as follows:—

On hand at 15th November, 1898	..	..	..	..	..	..	Bushels. 1,590,461	
Harvest of 1898-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,679,472	
Total							..	12,269,933
Probable requirements for consumption, say							..	Bushels. 4,800,000
" " seed, say							..	800,000
							..	5,600,000
Estimated surplus							..	6,669,933 bushels.

The estimated yield, together with wheat on hand, shows an increase of 5,448,061 bushels over that of last year.

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Secretary for Agriculture.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD BOYLE, of Hohoura, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 23rd day of January, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 18th January, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN PHILLIPS, Jun., of Paeroa, Settler, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at Messrs. Mackay and Pratt's office, Paeroa, on Tuesday, the 31st day of January, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 19th January, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS HERBERT CLAYTON, of Napier, Butcher, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Napier, on Wednesday, the 1st day of February, 1899, at 11.30 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Napier, 24th January, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned dividends are now payable at my office on all proved and admitted claims:—

Estate G. J. Harford: First and final, of 1s. in the pound.
Estate Chapman and Co.: First and final, of 3s. 1d. in the pound.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 19th January, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN EDWARD HARRIS, of Rimu, Miner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 27th day of January, 1899, at 3 o'clock p.m.

R. W. WADE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Hokitika, 20th January, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE McFADGEN, of Woodlands, Dealer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 27th day of January, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 20th January, 1899.

Mining Notices.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Omega Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1896; 29th October, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation. Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £5,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,579 5s. 5d., including £460, being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.

Number of shares allotted: 100,000.

Amount paid per share: 2½d., and also equivalent to £460, being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: 2½d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: 14,833.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 12.

Present number of shareholders: 23.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £33 5s. 9d.

Total expenditure since registration: £1,575 11s. 3d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £4 10s. 2d.

Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £2 9s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £2 9s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £52 13s.

I, Henry Gillfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Omega Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILLFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 82

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Progress Castle Rock Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th September, 1895; 19th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £9,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,572 18s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 65,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 65,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 9s. 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 14,332.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 14,332; £124 17s. 7d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 42.
 Present number of shareholders: 94.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £171 10s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £975 8s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,168 10s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £226 17s. 0d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Progress Castle Rock Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 12th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 83

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kuranui Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd September, 1895; 12th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,671 9s. 2d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 7d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Call No. 7; £78 10s. 10d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 11.
 Present number of shareholders: 49.
 Number of men employed by company: 10.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: By tributers, £207 18s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £212 12s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £521 5s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,423 18s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of overdraft at banker's: £245 13s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Kuranui Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 16th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 84

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th February, 1895; 30th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gillfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £18,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,963 15s., including £400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £187 10s.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £187 10s.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 9d., and also equivalent to £400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 9d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 145; £623 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 56.
 Present number of shareholders: 146.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 26 oz. 6 dwt.; £14 17s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,651 14s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,260 13s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £88 2s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 5s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £783 13s. 2d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £783 13s. 2d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £140 9s. 3d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 79

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Barrier Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 29th May, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £100,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £100,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,802 10s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £80,000; nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £80,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.

Number of shares allotted: 100,000.

Amount paid per share on 20,000 contributing shares: 7s.

Amount called up per share on 20,000 contributing shares: 7s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: £8,000.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 24.

Present number of shareholders: 51.

Number of men employed by company: 28.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,584 15s. 5d.

Total expenditure since registration: £6,644 18s. 6d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,047 8s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Secretary of the Barrier Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 80

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Exchange Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 5th June, 1896; 23rd July, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £2,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £951 15s. 1d., including £133 18s. 10d., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.

Number of shares allotted: 50,000.

Amount paid per share: 43s., and also equivalent to £133 18s. 10d., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: 4d.

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Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: 25,194.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 17,744; £73 18s. 8d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 16.

Present number of shareholders: 16.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £5 7s. 6d.

Total expenditure since registration: £949 9s. 2d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £2 5s. 11d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3 0s. 5d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Exchange Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 81

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Coromandel Freehold Proprietary Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 20th September, 1895; 11th November, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £18,750.

Amount of capital subscribed: £18,750.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £10,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.

Number of shares allotted: 150,000.

Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £10,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: Nil.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 123.

Present number of shareholders: 197.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £59 2s. 11d.

Total expenditure since registration: £10,822 11s. 7d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £1 7s. 8d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £50.

Amount of debts considered good: £50.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £174 19s. 1d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Coromandel Freehold Proprietary Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 76

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Queen of Beauty Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th July, 1896; 24th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £960, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £960, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 19.
 Present number of shareholders: 21.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £91 10s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £955 17s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £34 10s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Say £250.
 Amount of debts considered good: Say £250.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1 1s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Queen of Beauty Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 77

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Welcome Find Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st April, 1895; 18th April, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £17,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £17,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £9,970 3s. 9d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 3s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 3s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 45; £146 7s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 31,800.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 38.
 Present number of shareholders: 141.
 Number of men employed by company: 13.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 767 oz.; £2,186 6s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,386 9s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £12,059 6s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £94 14s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £13.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £146 7s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £146 7s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £246 9s. 2d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Secretary of the Welcome Find Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 78

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Johnston's United Mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th June, 1881.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Trafalgar Street, Nelson; Frederick Adolphus Bamford.
 Nominal capital: £20,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £18,584 11s. 6d.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £13,238 14s. 11d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): 1,668 shares; no cash.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,668.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 20,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
 Amount paid per share: 17s. 8½d. on 8,018 shares, and 17s. 2½d. on 1,360.
 Amount called up per share: 17s. 11½d. on 8,018 shares, and 17s. 5½d. on 1,360.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 745.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 745; nil (no offer).
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 16.
 Present number of shareholders: 48.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 10,439 oz. 2 dwt. 13 gr.; £37,579 2s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £280.
 Total expenditure since registration: £49,733 17s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,916 0s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,916 0s. 9d.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £4 15s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £59 1s. 2d. (cheques, &c.).
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £637 0s. 4d.

I, Frederick Adolphus Bamford, of Trafalgar Street, Nelson, the Legal Manager of the Johnston's United Mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

FRED. A. BAMFORD,
 Manager.

Declared at Nelson, this 13th day of January, 1899, before me—Geo. M. Rout, J.P. 79

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Nonpareil Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th July, 1896; 27th August, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: It is in active operation. Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,642 2s. 9d, including £750, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4d., and also equivalent to £750, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 29,837.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 3,950; £21 17s.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 51.
 Present number of shareholders: 71.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 265 oz. 12 dwt.; £728 6s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 597 oz. 5 dwt.; £1,650 15s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £695 17s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,110 10s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £311 18s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Nonpareil Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882." H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 74

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Adelaide Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th September, 1895; 1st November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: It is in active operation. Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £20,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,131 9s. 2d., including £1,011 9s. 8d., being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £110 4s. 8d.; £110 4s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 7d., and also equivalent to £1,011 9s. 8d., being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 7d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 38; £82 1s. 9d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 48,333.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 12,050; £77 8s. 8d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 42.
 Present number of shareholders: 47.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 367 oz. 9 dwt. 12 gr.; £785 12s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £171 9s. 1d.

Total expenditure since registration: £6,167 4s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £3 3s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £8 3s. 10d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £82 1s. 9d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £82 1s. 9d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £64 2s. 2d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Adelaide Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 75

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Keep-it-Dark Quartz Mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd December, 1873; 2nd March, 1874.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation. Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; William Hindmarsh.
 Nominal capital: £20,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £20,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,208 6s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £10,000, amount deemed paid up on the 20,000 shares at registration.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 20,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
 Amount paid per share: 16s. 2½d. (including the 10s. deemed paid up on registration).
 Amount called up per share: 6s. 2½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold during year, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 20.
 Present number of shareholders: 52.
 Number of men employed by company: 31.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 990 oz. 6 dwt. 2 gr.; £3,974 19s.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 67,337 oz. 6 dwt. 21 gr.; £262,242 3s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £5,023 4s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £291,496 8s. 10d. (including dividends).
 Total amount of dividends declared: £113,416 13s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £113,416 13s. 4d.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,804 8s. 4d.
 Total amount received for crushing sales, &c.: £11,329 15s. 7d.

I, William Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the Keep-it-Dark Quartz Mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 20th December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HINDMARSH,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 14th day of January, 1899, before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 88

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: No. 2 Dark Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th July, 1898; 26th August, 1898.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Reefton; William Hindmarsh.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,071 5s.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £233 7s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,285.
 Amount paid per share: 4d.
 Amount called up per share: 4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold during year, and money
 received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 35.
 Present number of shareholders: 44.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preced-
 ing year: 4 oz. 4 dwt. 17 gr.; £16 18s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: 4 oz. 4 dwt. 17 gr.; £16 18s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: £335 8s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):
 £105 1s. 9d.

I, William Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the
 No. 2 Dark Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly
 and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete state-
 ment of the affairs of the said company at the 31st Decem-
 ber, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously
 believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices
 of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HINDMARSH,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 14th day of January, 1899,
 before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 89

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Poneke Gold-mining Company (Papa-
 roa), (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September,
 1897; 25th November, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Paparoa; Henry Kember.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £960.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 10d.
 Amount called up per share: 10d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.
 Number of shares sold during year, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 28.
 Present number of shareholders: 34.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preced-
 ing year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: £614 17s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £765 18s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £194 1s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: Nil.

I, Henry Kember, of Wellington, Manager of the Poneke
 Gold-mining Company (Paparoa), (No Liability), do solemnly
 and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete state-
 ment of the affairs of the said company at the 31st De-
 cember, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscien-
 tiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of
 "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

HENRY KEMBER,
 Manager.

Declared at Wellington, this 14th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Andrew Wylie, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court
 of New Zealand. 91

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: City of Auckland Gold-mining Com-
 pany (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th July, 1896;
 7th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; William
 Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £18,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £18,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,188 11s. 11d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 4½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 30,158.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 70.
 Present number of shareholders: 59.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: £3 10s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: £413 19s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,582 17s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £35 6s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the City of
 Auckland Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly
 and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete state-
 ment of the affairs of the said company at the 31st Decem-
 ber, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscien-
 tiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of
 "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 12th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 85

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wentworth Gold-mining Company (No
 Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd November, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Property held under
 option.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Curran Street, Ponsonby, Auckland; Frederick Herbert
 Whalley.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,825.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash, including
 £464 11s. 11d., promoters' shares sold: £1,279 3s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 56,500.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 11,662.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 11,018; £77 14s. 11d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 59.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,216 17s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £72 15s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £48 14s. 4d.

I, Frederick Herbert Whalley, of Auckland, the Manager of the Wentworth Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

FRED. H. WHALLEY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 14th day of January, 1899,
 before me—J. D. Studholme, J.P. 86

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Maritana Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd July, 1898; 26th August, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; William Hindmarsh.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £41 13s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
 Amount paid per share: 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: 4,000.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 4,000; nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 14.
 Present number of shareholders: 14.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £40 17s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the Maritana Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HINDMARSH,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 14th day of January, 1899,
 before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 87

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Balfour Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th November, 1895; 11th December, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £1,400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 45.
 Present number of shareholders: 138.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £83 6s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,286 19s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £113 0s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1 14s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Balfour Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 92

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hauraki No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th June, 1895; 10th July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,057 10s. 9d., including £1,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 5d., and also equivalent to £1,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 5d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 55,071.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 4,890; £118 12s. 7d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 26.
 Present number of shareholders: 37.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £457 14s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £6,053 4s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £69 8s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £18 19s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £115 19s. 1d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Hauraki No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 93

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th January, 1895; 22nd February, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,566 13s. 4d., including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £416 13s. 4d.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £416 13s. 4d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 110,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid per share: 11d., and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 11d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 18,295.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 18,295; £92 13s. 11d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 252.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 41 oz. 4 dwt.; £82 11s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 43 oz. 12 dwt.; £84 11s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,185 8s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,412 13s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £143 14s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3 3s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 94

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Snowy Creek Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th March, 1898; 29th April, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; Thomas Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital: £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £200.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2d.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 15.
 Present number of shareholders: 33.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £296 8s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £296 8s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 1s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): About £120.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Snowy Creek Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS HUBERT LEE,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 19th day of January, 1899,
 before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 105

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hauraki Peninsula Exploration Company (Limited), (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").
 When formed, and date of registration of office of company in colony: Registered in London, 27th August, 1897; in Auckland, 8th November, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: Option holding and developing.
 Where business is conducted, and names of Attorneys: 9A, Curran Street, Ponsonby, Auckland; Frederick Herbert Whalley and Joseph Francis Studholme.
 Where mine is situate: Whangamata.
 Nominal capital: £20,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: No information in colony.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: Nil.
 Price paid to vendors of mine—
 (a.) In fully paid-up shares: Nil.
 (b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up: Nil.
 (c.) In cash: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 20,000.
 Number of shares on Colonial Register: None.
 Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
 Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): None.
 Number of forfeited shares on Colonial Register sold, and money received for same: None.
 Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: None.
 Number of men employed by company in colony: 54.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement: £6,145 16s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £6,145 16s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's in colony: 13s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand in colony: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: Nil.
 Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: £190 1s. 3d.

I, Frederick Herbert Whalley, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Hauraki Peninsula Exploration Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st December, 1898, being the date of the last balance-sheet; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

FRED. H. WHALLEY, Attorney.

Declared at Thames, this 21st day of January, 1899, before me—James Finlay, J.P. 106

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tamihana Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th August, 1896; 22nd October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £800, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' share.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £800, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 43.
 Present number of shareholders: 54.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £114 13s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £797 18s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £2 3s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Tamihana Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

HENRY GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1899, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 95

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Welcome Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd July, 1896; 24th July, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; T. Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital: £110,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £100,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £15,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £85,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £85,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 110,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 4.
 Present number of shareholders: 149.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 33 oz.; £131 0s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 33 oz.; £131 0s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,839 12s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,452 7s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £8,303 13s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Welcome Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 25th day of November, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS HUBERT LEE,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 19th day of January, 1899, before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 102

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Big River Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th January, 1891; 11th April, 1891.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; T. Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £600.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 63.
 Number of men employed by company: 15.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 826 oz. 8 dwt. 12 gr.; £3,020 11s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 20,577 oz. 14 dwt. 13 gr.; £82,508 13s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,860 10s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £48,048 3s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £40,500.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £40,500.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):
£1,206 2s. 11d.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Big River Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS HUBERT LEE,
Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 19th day of January, 1899,
before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 103

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Lord Edward Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 13th October, 1883; 13th November, 1883.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; T. Hubert Lee.
Nominal capital: £24,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,650.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £12,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
Amount paid per share: 13s. 0¹/₂d.
Amount called up per share: 3s. 0¹/₂d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: 544.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 544; nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 13.
Present number of shareholders: 47.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 33 oz.; £133 12s. 2d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £26 15s. 6d.
Total expenditure since registration: £3,770 9s. 6d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £13 2s. 10d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £6 7s. 10d.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £60.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Lord Edward Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS HUBERT LEE,
Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 19th day of January, 1899,
before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 104

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Eclipse (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 18th and 19th November, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 4, Wyndham Street, Auckland; John Hope MacLellan.
Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £750.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
Number of shares allotted: 150,000.
Amount paid per share: Nil.
Amount called-up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 4.

Present number of shareholders: 4.

Number of men employed by company: 8.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £396 14s. 4d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:

Total expenditure since registration: £392 19s. 2d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £3 15s. 2d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £69 13s.

I, John Hope MacLellan, of Auckland, the Manager of the Eclipse (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. H. MACLELLAN,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1899,
before me—J. H. Harrison, J.P. 99

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Clyde Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 17th May, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; E. R. Smith, Secretary.
Nominal capital: £4,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,850.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,850.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £150; no cash.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £150.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.
Number of shares allotted: 4,000.
Amount paid per share: £1 on 3,850 shares.
Amount called up per share: £1 on 3,850 shares.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 55.
Number of men employed by company: 7.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 1,013 oz. 15 dwt. 1 gr.; £3,927 15s. 7d.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 4,004 oz. 16 dwt. 9 gr.; £15,465 8s. 3d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,164 1s. 1d.
Total expenditure since registration: £7,449 11s. 4d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £7,300.
Total amount of dividends paid: £7,300.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £475 4s. 11d. (includes £345 reserve fund).
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £100.

I, E. R. Smith, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the above-named company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. R. SMITH,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 17th day of January, 1899,
before me—Grant P. Farquhar, J.P. 100

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Matau Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 16th October, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: Dredge building.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Dunedin; E. R. Smith, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,077 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): £800; no cash.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: £800.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 6,200 shares (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 6,200 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear 18; shareholders owe
 £122 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 115.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceeding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: Not in operation.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,704 13s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £468 6s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, E. R. Smith, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the above-
 named company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this
 is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said
 company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make
 this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to
 be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act,
 1882."
 E. R. SMITH,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 16th day of January, 1899,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 101

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company: The Mokoraki Gold-mining Company
 (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th August, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Esk Street, Invercargill; Benjamin Alexius Dickinson.
 Nominal capital: £1,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £312 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): £862 10s.; £312 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: £550.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 1,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1 per share on 550 shares, 7s. per
 share on 575 shares, 6s. per share on 350 shares, 5s. per
 share on 25 shares.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 25; £1 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 25.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 12.
 Present number of shareholders: 16.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceeding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on opera-
 tions during preceding year: £436 3s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £436 3s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £13 15s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

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Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £292
 13s. 2d.

I, Benjamin Alexius Dickinson, of Invercargill, the
 Manager of the Mokoraki Gold-mining Company (No Li-
 ability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true
 and complete statement of the affairs of the said company
 at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration
 conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue
 of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

B. A. DICKINSON,
 Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 17th day of January, 1899,
 before me—C. C. Sproull, J.P. 96

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Egerton Gold-mining Company (No
 Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th June, 1897;
 10th August, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £3,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £187 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 5.
 Present number of shareholders: 7.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceeding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: £96 1s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £162 0s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £30 3s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the
 Egerton Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly
 and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete state-
 ment of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of
 December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration con-
 scientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of
 "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 12th day of January, 1899,
 before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 97

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kennedy's Bay Township and Gold-
 mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896;
 11th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £922 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any): £250; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: £250.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 200.
 Number of shares allotted: 200.
 Amount considered paid per share: £1 5s.

Amount called up per share: £3 15s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £77 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 9.
 Present number of shareholders: 9.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £100 8s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £796 16s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 1s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £24 16s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £24 16s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £25 2s. 4d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Kennedy's Bay Township and Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. H. MATTHEWS,

Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 12th day of January, 1899,
 before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 98

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ourawera Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd May, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Invercargill; Robert Erskine.
 Nominal capital: £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,200.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,800.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 1,600 and 10s. on 1,200.
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 1,600 and 10s. on 1,200.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 12.
 Present number of shareholders: 17.
 Number of men employed by company: 11.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 688 oz. 13 dwt. 3 gr.; £2,720 4s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,848 oz. 19 dwt. 15 gr.; £7,303 17s. 9d.
 Amount expended in carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,058 3s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,937 11s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,840.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,840.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): On contracts not completed, £771 5s.

I, Robert Erskine, of Invercargill, the Manager of the Ourawera Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. ERSKINE,

Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 21st day of January, 1899,
 before me—Wm. H. Hall, J.P. 110

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Lion Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th December, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Invercargill; Robert Erskine.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,545.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,229 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £3,500; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 11,545.
 Amount paid per share: 13s. per share on 8,045 shares, £1 per share on 3,500.
 Amount called up per share: 13s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 48.
 Present number of shareholders: 66.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,404 13s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,404 13s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,907 5s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): On contracts not completed, £5,246 8s. 9d.

I, Robert Erskine, of Invercargill, the Manager of the Lion Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. ERSKINE,

Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 20th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Wm. H. Hall, J.P. 111

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Miller's Flat Electric Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th December, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Edward Trythall, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,250.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,750.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 Amount paid per share: 5s. (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share: 5s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 28; £448 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 50.
 Present number of shareholders: 50.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £96.
 Total expenditure since registration: £96.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £67 5s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £75.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Edward Trythall, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the above-named company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

EDWARD TRYTHALL,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1899,
 before me—A. Herdman, J.P. 122

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Blue Spur and Gabriel's Gully Consolidated Gold Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st February, 1888.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: London; E. A. Foster, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £180,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £91,266.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £37,622.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same: £30,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £60,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 180,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 82,298 ordinary, 8,968 preference.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 82,298 ordinary shares, £1 on 8,968 preference shares.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: Ordinary, 316; preference, 53.
 Number of men employed by company: Average about 45.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 2,853 oz. 8 dwt. 4 gr.; £11,361 11s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 30,651 oz. 19 dwt. 22 gr.; £119,962 10s. 11d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £6,202 7s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £132,138 10s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £21,784.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £21,784.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities: Nil.

I, John Howard Jackson, of Lawrence, the General Manager of the Blue Spur and Gabriel's Gully Consolidated Gold Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. HOWARD JACKSON,
 General Manager.

Declared at Lawrence, this 20th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Jno. C. Browne, J.P. 118

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Post Office Creek (Waipori) Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th June, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus Edward Brent.
 Nominal capital: £2,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,712 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,912 10s.; £1,712 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £200.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 2,000 shares.
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 1,800 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1st call, £12 10s.; 2nd call, £75.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 28.
 Present number of shareholders: 31.
 Number of men employed by company: 11.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: £58 11s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: £58 11s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,772 12s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,772 12s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £367 17s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £87 10s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £87 10s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £99 10s. 2d.

I, Septimus Edward Brent, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Post Office Creek (Waipori) Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. E. BRENT,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 121

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Moonlight Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th April, 1894; 14th May, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Thomas Callender.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,363 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £450.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,000.
 Amount paid per share: 17s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 17s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 26.
 Number of men employed by company: 3 to 4.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 19 oz. 9 dwt. 6 gr.; £78 8s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 716 oz. 17 dwt. 13 gr.; £2,763 8s. 11d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £543 14s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,420 12s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,100.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,100.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £27 9s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Thomas Callender, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Moonlight Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day

of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS CALLENDER,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 14th day of January, 1899,
before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 116

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Macrae's Flat Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 11th February, 1898; 25th April, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Thomas Callender.
Nominal capital: £6,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £4,400.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,210 12s. 6d.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £750.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,000.
Number of shares allotted: 4,400.
Amount paid per share: £1.
Amount called up per share: £1.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £489 7s. 6d.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 44.
Number of men employed by company: Has not begun operations.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,964 5s. 6d.
Total expenditure since registration: £3,964 5s. 6d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £368 9s. 11d.
Amount of cash in hand: £3 5s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Thomas Callender, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Macrae's Flat Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS CALLENDER,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1899,
before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 117

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Arrow Falls Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 4th April, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Invercargill; R. F. Cuthbertson.
Nominal capital: £20,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £20,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £500.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £19,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 20,000.
Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
Amount paid per share: 19s. 6d.
Amount called up per share: 19s. 6d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 16.
Present number of shareholders: 23.
Number of men employed by company: 13.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year:
6 oz. 3 gr.; £24 3s. 3d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration:
6 oz. 3 gr.; £24 3s. 3d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £747 13s. 3d.
Total expenditure since registration: £747 13s. 3d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: £8 6s. 8d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £238 18s. 8d.

I, Robert F. Cuthbertson, of Invercargill, the Manager of the Arrow Falls Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ROBERT F. CUTHBERTSON,
Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 19th day of January, 1899,
before me—John Turnbull, J.P. 119

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Shotover Quartz-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 9th March, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus Edward Brent.
Nominal capital: £6,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,100.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
Amount paid per share: 2s. 6d. on 12,000, and 1s. 10d. on 12,000.
Amount paid up per share: 1s. 10d. per share on 12,000
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 25.
Present number of shareholders: 31.
Number of men employed by company: 6.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,108 15s.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,108 15s.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £9 15s. 7d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £140 15s. 9d.

I, Septimus Edward Brent, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Shotover Quartz-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1898; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. E. BRENT,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 18th day of January, 1899,
before me—W. M. Bolt, J.P. 120

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Beach Hydraulic Elevating and Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 20th August, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Edward Trythall, Secretary.
Nominal capital: £13,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.

or together with any thing or things being transported thereon, weigh more than one and a half tons avoirdupois to each pair of wheels; (b) the traction of any vehicle or thing by means of bullocks, notwithstanding that such vehicle or thing may separately or together with any load thereon weigh less than one and a half tons avoirdupois:

- (g.) "Inspector" or "Road Inspector" means any person for the time being acting as Inspector:
- (h.) "Road," "bridge," "ferry," "ford," and "culvert" means any road, bridge, ferry, ford, or culvert respectively under the care, control, or management of the Council:
- (i.) "Traction-engine" or "engine" means any locomotive-engine propelled by steam-power, or by any other power applied to engines used for the purpose of hauling or carrying goods:
- (k.) "Vehicle" means and includes any coach, carriage, omnibus, drag, car, cab, cart, dray, wagon, timber-carriage, lorry, sledge, van, express-wagon, and any other conveyance, whatever be its construction, drawn by animals, in or by which passengers may be carried or in or by which goods may be removed upon land from place to place:
- (l.) The Schedules hereto form part of this by-law:
- (m.) Words of the singular number shall include the plural, and words of the plural number shall include the singular.

2. The width of the tires of the wheels which shall be used by all vehicles, whether plying for hire or not, on roads within the county shall be in proportion to the number of wheels thereof, and to the weight of load carried thereon, and to the number of animals employed in drawing the same, and shall be not less than the respective widths specified in Schedule A to this by-law, and no person shall use on any road within the county any of the descriptions of vehicles mentioned in the said Schedule with any greater load, or with any greater number of animals employed in drawing the same, or with any less width of the tires of the wheels of such vehicle, than as specified in the said Schedule.

3. No person shall use any traction-engine which, together with any thing or things carried thereon, shall weigh more than one and a half tons avoirdupois to each pair of wheels on a road within the county unless the same shall be duly licensed in manner hereinafter mentioned.

4. No person shall use any vehicle on a road within the county which, together with any thing or things carried thereon, shall weigh more than one and a half tons avoirdupois to each pair of wheels unless the same shall be duly licensed in manner hereinafter mentioned.

5. No person shall ply for hire with any vehicle for the carriage of passengers or goods within the county unless such vehicle shall be duly licensed in manner hereinafter mentioned: Provided always that no vehicle in respect of which a license-fee shall be payable under section 4 of this by-law shall be subject to the payment of an additional license-fee under this section.

6. Any person owning or using a traction-engine or vehicle who shall desire to obtain a license for the same shall deliver at the office of the County Clerk an application in writing, signed by him, pursuant to the form contained in Schedule C to this by-law, or to the like effect, describing such engine or vehicle, and, if the said engine or vehicle is for public use, shall submit the same to such inspection as the County Clerk shall require; and no license shall be granted in respect of an engine or vehicle which shall appear on inspection to be unsafe, or insufficient for public use, or likely to prove a source of danger to persons using the roads on which it is used; and for any such license granted there shall be paid to the County Clerk, to be placed to the credit of the County Fund, such sum or sums of money as are respectively specified in Schedule B to this by-law.

7. The Council may, as a condition precedent to the granting of any such license, require the person applying for the same to enter into a bond, with or without a surety or sureties, to the Council in such penal sum as the Council shall deem proper, that such person shall pay to the Council reasonable compensation for any special damage which shall accrue to any road, bridge, ferry, or ford under the care, control, or management of the Council by reason of any heavy traffic thereon by the traction-engine or vehicle in respect of which such license shall be granted, which bond shall be in the form set forth in Schedule D hereunder, or to the like effect.

8. Licenses for engines or vehicles may be in the form in Schedule E hereunder or to the like effect, and shall continue in force for one year from the date of issue and no longer.

9. In every such license there shall be specified the number and duration of the license, the name and place of abode of the owner of the engine or vehicle in respect of which the license is granted, the description of the engine or vehicle, the width of the tires of the wheels of the

vehicle, the weight of the engine or vehicle when loaded and unloaded, and the number of animals (if any) which may be employed to draw the same.

10. No person shall use on a road within the county a traction-engine or vehicle required by this by-law to be licensed, excepting vehicles not plying for hire, unless such engine or vehicle shall have painted in some conspicuous place on the off-side thereof in white letters and figures on black ground—such letters to be not less than one inch in length, and such figures not less than six inches in length and of proportionate breadth respectively—the full name of the owner of such engine or vehicle, and the number of the license which shall then be in force in respect of such engine or vehicle.

11. The driver of every traction-engine or vehicle required by this by-law to be licensed shall have the license for the same in his immediate personal possession, and shall, whenever required by any Road Inspector for the county, or any officer or constable of police, or by any person having a general authority in that behalf signed by the County Clerk, produce such license for inspection forthwith. Any driver who shall on being so required refuse or fail forthwith to produce such license shall be guilty of a breach of this by-law.

12. It shall be lawful for any Road Inspector for the county, or any officer or constable of police, or any person having a general authority in that behalf signed by the County Clerk, to from time to time and at any time measure the width of the tires of the wheels of any vehicle then being within the county, whether such vehicle shall be plying for hire or not. No owner or driver of any vehicle shall refuse to permit such measuring, or shall in any way resist or hinder, or attempt to resist or hinder, or to prevent or obstruct such measuring. In determining the width of a tire for the purposes of this by-law, only so much thereof shall be reckoned as will touch the ground on a smooth macadamised road.

13. Nothing herein contained shall apply to any vehicle upon springs used exclusively for carrying Her Majesty's mails.

14. Every person in charge of an engine within the county shall observe the following regulations and conditions:—

- (A.) The speed of an engine shall not exceed two miles an hour while crossing a bridge or culvert.
- (B.) When an engine shall be on a road or bridge, and distant not more than one hundred yards from any person riding, driving, leading, or otherwise in charge of a horse upon a road or bridge, the whistle of such engine shall not be sounded, nor shall the cylinder-tap be opened, or the steam blown off or allowed to attain a pressure such as to exceed the limit fixed by the safety-valve of such engine, within the sight or hearing of any person so riding, driving, leading, or in charge of a horse as aforesaid.
- (C.) No engine shall pass along or come upon a bridge at any time while any person with a horse, or vehicle drawn by a horse, is on such bridge; nor shall any engine, or wagon attached thereto, be permitted to stop on any bridge, culvert, or ford, excepting for the purposes mentioned in "The Police Offences Act Amendment Act, 1890."
- (D.) No ashes or refuse from the furnace of any engine shall be discharged upon a bridge or culvert, or upon any wooden structure appertaining to the road, or upon a road within one chain of a bridge, or culvert, or wooden structure as aforesaid.
- (E.) No ashes or refuse discharged from the furnace of an engine shall be left in a heap on a road within the county, and such ashes or refuse shall, immediately upon being discharged from any engine, be thoroughly soaked with water, and spread evenly on the road.
- (F.) No engine shall be taken across any bridge which shall have studs or rings of iron or other metal affixed to or raised upon the level of the tires of the wheels of such engine which may have or be likely to have the effect of sinking into, breaking, or splitting the surface of such bridge or any of the planks thereof.
- (G.) Before any engine is taken across any bridge or any culvert the planking of which is exposed, all stones or other substances which might, if passed over, injure the planks or surface of such bridge or culvert shall be removed from such bridge or culvert.
- (H.) The person in charge of an engine shall give immediate notice to the County Clerk or Road Inspector for the county of any damage or injury which shall be done by such engine or any wagon attached thereto to a road or to any fence, gate, bridge, culvert, ford, watercourse, drain, or side ditch under the care, control, or management of

the Council; and, if such damage has rendered the road or its appurtenances dangerous for ordinary traffic or the public safety, the person in charge of such engine shall, in addition to giving such notice as aforesaid, place and maintain in such position, and for such time as the County Clerk or Road Inspector shall direct, such signals as shall be sufficient to give warning to all persons using such road by day or night of the existence of such danger.

(I.) Traction-engines shall, as far as practicable, be driven so that none of the wheels shall travel in ruts formed in the roads by the wheels of the same or any other engine.

15. No person shall take any engine which weighs more than eight tons, exclusive of the weight of coals and water carried thereon for its propulsion, or any agricultural or other machine or vehicle of any kind which, with the weight of any goods being carried thereon, weighs more than ten tons, over any bridge or culvert within the county, except with the previous written permission of the County Clerk, which permission may be withdrawn at any time: Provided that the County Clerk may, if he thinks fit when giving such permission, stipulate that before crossing any bridge or culvert proper planks shall be provided and laid down by the person in charge of such engine, agricultural or other machine, or vehicle on such bridge, and impose such other provisions as he thinks fit, and such engine, agricultural or other machine, or vehicle shall not be taken on or across such bridge or culvert except on planks so laid down, or on such provisions as aforesaid.

16. Nothing herein contained shall be held to relieve any person owning or using any engine or vehicle from liability in respect of any injury done or damage sustained by the traction of excessive weight or extraordinary traffic over or along any bridge, culvert, or road.

17. Every person riding on a bicycle on a road within the county, upon meeting any person riding any horse or driving any vehicle drawn by a horse or horses, and before approaching within two chains of such person, shall stop, dismount, and remove his bicycle to the side of the road until the person with the horse or horses shall have safely passed.

18. Every person riding on a bicycle on a road within the county, upon overtaking any person riding any horse or driving any vehicle drawn by a horse or horses, shall, within a reasonable distance from and before passing such person riding any horse or driving any vehicle drawn by a horse or horses, by sounding a bell or whistle, or otherwise, give audible and sufficient warning of the approach of the bicycle, and shall not, upon passing such person riding any horse or driving any vehicle drawn by a horse or horses, ride at a greater pace than ten miles an hour.

19. Any person committing a breach of, or failing to comply with, any of the provisions of this by-law shall for each and every such offence be liable to a penalty of £5, or such less sum as to the Court shall seem fit, which penalty shall be recoverable in a summary way, as provided by law.

20. The forms in Schedules C, D, and E hereto may be altered to suit the circumstances of each case.

21. By-law No. 8 of the said county is hereby repealed.

Schedule A.—Width of Tires of Wheels of Vehicles used on Roads within the County.

- (A.) For a four-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than six tons, drawn by more than ten animals—not less than seven inches.
- (B.) For a four-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than six tons, drawn by nine or ten animals—not less than five and a half inches.
- (C.) For a four-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than six tons, drawn by seven or eight animals—not less than four inches.
- (D.) For a four-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than six tons, drawn by any number of animals less than seven—not less than two and a half inches.
- (E.) For a two-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than two tons, drawn by more than four animals—not less than six inches.
- (F.) For a two-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than two tons, drawn by four animals—not less than four inches.
- (G.) For a two-wheeled vehicle carrying not more than two tons, drawn by any number of animals less than four—not less than two and a half inches.
- (H.) For a four-wheeled vehicle carrying more than six tons, drawn by any number of animals—not less than eight inches.
- (I.) For a two-wheeled vehicle carrying more than two tons, drawn by any number of animals—not less than six inches.

Vehicles coming within the meaning of subdivisions (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), and (G) of this Schedule, if on

springs, will be permitted to use tires which are not more than three-quarters of an inch less width than those specified in the said subdivisions.

Schedule B.—License-fee to be paid annually by the Owner of any Traction-engine or Vehicle as mentioned or defined in Sections 3, 4, and 5 of this By-law.

	£	s.	d.
(A.) For a traction-engine under eight tons in weight, exclusive of the weight of coals and water carried thereon, if and while used only in transporting threshing-machine plant belonging to the person owning or using the said engine	2	0	0
(B.) For a traction-engine over eight tons in weight, exclusive of the weight of coals and water carried thereon, if and while used as described in clause (A) of this Schedule ..	4	0	0
(C.) For every other traction-engine under eight tons in weight, exclusive of the weight of coals and water carried thereon ..	15	0	0
(D.) For every other traction-engine over eight tons in weight, exclusive of the weight of coals and water carried thereon ..	20	0	0
(E.) For any vehicle required by section 4 of this by-law to be licensed—			
(1.) If with four wheels and drawn by more than eight animals	6	0	0
(2.) If with four wheels and drawn by seven or eight animals	4	0	0
(3.) If with four wheels and drawn by five or six animals	3	0	0
(4.) If with four wheels and drawn by any number of animals less than five ..	2	0	0
(5.) If with two wheels and drawn by more than eight animals	8	0	0
(6.) If with two wheels and drawn by eight animals	6	0	0
(7.) If with two wheels and drawn by seven animals	5	0	0
(8.) If with two wheels and drawn by six animals	4	0	0
(9.) If with two wheels and drawn by five animals	3	0	0
(10.) If with two wheels and drawn by four animals	1	10	0
(11.) If with two wheels and drawn by less than four animals	1	0	0
(F.) For any vehicle required by section 5 of this by-law to be licensed—			
(1.) If with four wheels and drawn by more than four animals	3	0	0
(2.) If with four wheels and drawn by three or four animals	2	0	0
(3.) If with four wheels and drawn by less than three animals	1	0	0
(4.) If with two wheels and drawn by two or more animals	1	0	0
(5.) If with two wheels and drawn by one animal	0	10	0

Schedule C.—Application for a License for a Vehicle [or Traction-engine].

To the Chairman and Councillors of the County of Tuapeka.

I, _____, residing at _____, do hereby request that a license may be granted for the following vehicle [or traction-engine], of which I am the owner [or user], to be used on roads within the county—that is to say: Description, _____; No., _____; horse-power _____; maker _____; [in case of vehicle] width of tires, _____; number of animals used, _____; which vehicle [or traction-engine] when unloaded weighs _____, when loaded weighs _____ [If applicant is not the owner] Name and place of abode of owner, _____

And I undertake to comply with all by-laws of the Council which may be in force during the continuance of such license.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 18 _____.

License authorised by the Council of the Tuapeka County this _____ day of _____, 18 _____.

_____, Chairman.

Schedule D.

Know all men by these presents that I, _____ (principal), and we, _____ (sureties), are held and firmly bound to the Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Tuapeka (hereinafter called "the Council") in the sum of £ _____, to be paid to the Council or the Clerk, for which

payment to be well and truly made we bind ourselves, and each of us, and each of our executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents.

Signed by our signatures :

Dated the _____ day of _____, 18 _____

Whereas the said _____ (principal) has applied to the Council for a license for the following vehicle [or engine]: Description, _____; No., _____; horse-power, _____; maker, _____; width of tires, _____; number of animals used, _____; weight, unloaded, _____; weight, loaded, _____; name and place of abode of owner, _____: And whereas the Council, as a condition precedent to the granting of such license, has required the said _____ (principal), with two sufficient sureties, to enter into this bond, which the said _____ (principal) has agreed to do: And whereas we, the said _____ (sureties), have, with the approval of the Council, agreed to become such sureties: Now, the condition of the said bond is that if the said _____ (principal) shall pay to the Council reasonable compensation for any special damage which shall come to any road, bridge, ferry, or ford under the care, control, or management of the Council by reason of any heavy traffic thereon by the said vehicle [or engine], this bond shall be void, but otherwise shall remain in full force and virtue.

Signed by the said _____, in the presence of _____

Schedule E.

Tuapeka County, to wit. No. _____
 WHEREAS _____ has made application for a license for the following vehicle [or traction-engine], to be used on roads within the said county, pursuant to the provisions of By-law No. 9, that is to say: Description, _____; No., _____; horse-power, _____; maker, _____; width of tires of wheels, _____; number of animals used, _____; weight, unloaded, _____; weight, loaded, _____; name and place of abode of owner, _____: And whereas the issue of such license has been duly authorised by the Council of the said county: Now, therefore, I, the County Clerk of the said county, by the authority and on behalf of the said Council, do hereby license the said vehicle [or traction-engine] to be used on roads within the county for the period of one year from the date hereof and no longer, subject to the said by-law and to such other by-laws as may from time to time be in force within the said county.

Given under my hand, at the County Clerk's office, Lawrence, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____

This by-law was duly made by the Council of the County of Tuapeka by special order duly passed and adopted the 21st day of July, 1898, and duly confirmed on the 23rd day of November, 1898, and ordered to be publicly notified to come into force on the 2nd day of January, 1899.

The Common Seal of the Corporation of the Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Tuapeka was hereunto affixed this 23rd day of November, 1898, in the presence of—

JAMES SIM,
 JAMES KERR SIMPSON,

Members of the Council of the County of Tuapeka.

By order of the Tuapeka County Council.

JOHN J. WOODS,

County Clerk, Tuapeka County.

Lawrence, 23rd November, 1898.

I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby approve of so much of the within by-law as appoints the sums to be paid to the Tuapeka County Council for the licensing of vehicles.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1898.

20 RANFURLY, Governor.

CO-OPERATIVE DAIRY FACTORY COMPANY (LIMITED), PAPAROA.

A GENERAL Meeting of shareholders in the above company will be held at the Factory Office, on the 27th March, 1899, to receive balance-sheet and statement of accounts *re* winding-up of the company, as provided by "The Companies Act, 1882," clause 202.
 90 O. C. HAMES, Liquidator.

THE INTERNATIONAL FINE-ART PUBLISHING COMPANY (LIMITED), CHRISTCHURCH.

NOTICE is hereby given that, at a general meeting of shareholders in the above company, held on the 28th December, 1898, the following resolutions were passed:—

"It having been proved to the satisfaction of the shareholders that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities,

continue its business, the voluntary liquidation of the company shall proceed without delay."

"D. McNicoll, of Christchurch, Accountant, be appointed Liquidator."

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DAVID McNICOLL,
 Secretary.

In the matter of McAdam (Limited).

AT an extraordinary general meeting of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at the company's registered office, Dunedin, on the 31st day of December, 1898, the subjoined extraordinary resolutions were duly passed, that is to say,—

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the company be wound up voluntarily."

"That Alexander Bartleman, of Dunedin, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding-up."

Dated this 14th day of January, 1899.

109 EDWARD ROBERTS,
 Chairman.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

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