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Vesting Control of the Swing-bridge on or near the Boundary between the Borough and County of Whangarei in the Whangarei Borough Council, and apportioning the Cost of Maintenance.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and fourteen of "The Public Works Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor may, by Proclamation publicly notified, direct that any bridge already constructed, or which may hereafter be constructed, over or across any river or arm of the sea shall, from and after a date to be fixed in such Proclamation, be under the exclusive care, control, and management of such local authority as shall be mentioned in that behalf in such Proclamation; and may by any such Proclamation as aforesaid fix and determine whether all or any, and, if so, what part, of the cost, whether theretofore incurred or thereafter to be incurred, of maintaining, repairing, improving, or reconstructing any such bridge, is to be provided and paid by any local authority, and, if so, by what local authority; and may by any such Proclamation as aforesaid direct how, and when, and to whom any such payment is to be made:

And whereas by the said Act it is further provided that the Governor may from time to time, with the view of determining whether it is expedient to vest the exclusive care, control, management, and maintenance of any such work in any local authority, direct any person to be a Commissioner to inquire into and report to him upon any matter which he shall deem necessary to enable him to determine any such question as aforesaid:

And whereas a Commissioner was appointed and an inquiry was duly held with a view to determining what local authority could most conveniently and efficiently control the work mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and hereinafter referred to as "the said bridge," and what proportion of the cost of maintaining, repairing, improving, or reconstructing the said bridge should be paid by any, and, if so, which, local authority or authorities: And whereas such Commissioner did report to the Governor after due inquiry his opinion as to the matters respecting which he was appointed to report:

And whereas it is expedient to make provision under the said Act for the purposes and in the manner hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the

said Act, and of all other powers and authorities in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and direct that the said work described in the Schedule hereto, and known as the "swing-bridge on or near the boundary between the Borough and County of Whangarei," shall, from and after the date of this Proclamation, be under the exclusive care, and control, and management of the Whangarei Borough Council; and in further pursuance of the aforesaid powers and authorities I do hereby fix and determine that the cost of maintaining, repairing, improving, or reconstructing the said bridge shall be borne by the Whangarei Borough Council in the proportion of one-half, and by the Whangarei County Council in the proportion of one-half, of the cost:

And I do hereby fix and determine that the cost of maintaining, repairing, improving, or reconstructing the said bridge at any future time shall be borne by the said local bodies in the said proportions respectively.

And I do hereby also further direct that any contribution hereby required to be made as aforesaid by the Whangarei County Council shall be paid from time to time, in the proportion hereinbefore prescribed, out of the county funds of the County Council, within a period of thirty days after demand in writing made by or on behalf of the said Whangarei Borough Council; and all such payments shall be made from time to time to the Clerk of the said Borough Council for and on account of such borough.

SCHEDULE.

The bridge known as the "Whangarei Swing-bridge," over the Waitaua Creek, on the line of the New Road, in extension of John Street of the Town of Whangarei, as the site of the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 28766, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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

JOHN McKENZIE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Section 10, Block III., Makuri Survey District, Pahiatua County.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 10·8	10	Block III., Makuri Survey District	$\frac{174}{4P}$	Green.

All in the Wellington Land District; as the same is 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 thirty-first 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!

New County of Akitio divided into Ridings, &c.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Counties Act, 1886," and "The Akitio County Act, 1898," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby divide the new County of Akitio, as constituted by the said Acts, into five ridings, to be called the Waihi Riding, the Rakaunui Riding, the Pongaroa Riding, the Akitio Riding, and the Mataikona Riding, and declare that the boundaries thereof shall be those set forth under the names of the said ridings respectively in the Schedule hereto.

And I do hereby declare that one member shall be elected for each of the said ridings.

And I do further declare that Thursday, the ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, shall be the day upon which the election of the first Council of the said County of Akitio shall take place, and that Thursday, the sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, at twelve o'clock noon, shall be the time, and the Akitio Road Board Office, Aohanga, shall be the place, at which the first meeting of the said Council shall be held.

SCHEDULE.

RIDINGS OF AKITIO COUNTY.

Waihi Riding.

BOUNDED towards the north-west and north-east by the north-west and north-east boundaries of Akitio County, as described in the New Zealand Statutes of 1898, page 372, from Section No. 14, Block XI., Makuri Survey District, to Mount Arthur; towards the east generally by Sections Nos. 212, 191, and 190 of Block VII., by Sections Nos. 189 and 188 of Block XI., and by Section No. 186 of Block X., all of Mount Cerberus Survey District, to Mangaone Road; thence towards the south-west by Mangaone Road and Kaituna Road to Alfredton-Weber Road; thence towards the south-east by the latter road to Manuhara Road; thence towards the south generally by that road, the Waihi Valley Road, Pongaroa Road, Cross Road, and Range Road respectively, and by Section No. 14 of Block XI. of Makuri Survey District.

Rakaunui Riding.

Bounded towards the north-east generally by Waihi Riding, hereinbefore described, from the northernmost corner of Section No. 14, Block XI., Makuri Survey District, to Pongaroa Road; thence by Pongaroa Road; towards the south-east generally by the Alfredton-Weber Road to the Akitio County boundary; and towards the south-west and north-west by the south-western and north-western boundaries of Akitio County, described in the New Zealand Statutes, 1898, page 372.

Pongaroa Riding.

Bounded towards the north generally by Waihi Riding, hereinbefore described: towards the east generally by Section No. 186 of Block X., Mount Cerberus Survey District, by Section No. 185 of Block III., by Sections Nos. 184, 172, and 154 of Block IV., by Sections Nos. 114 and 115 of Block VIII., all of Aohanga Survey District, to the Aohanga River; thence by the left bank of the Aohanga River to the road which intersects Section No. 116; thence by the north side of that road to the said Aohanga River; thence by the left bank of the Aohanga River aforesaid to the mouth of the Waingongoro Stream; thence by that stream and by the Mataikona Native Reserve to Section No. 6, Block XI., Aohanga Survey District: towards the south-west generally by Section No. 6 of Block XI., Aohanga Survey District, and by the road forming the northern boundary of said Section No. 6 and of Section No. 7; thence by Spur Road to Waiowaka Road: thence again towards the east by Waiowaka Road to Section No. 2, Block X., Aohanga Survey District: thence towards the south by the said Section No. 2, by Section No. 1 of the said Block X., and by Section No. 23 (educational reserve) to Waihoki Road; thence by Waihoki Road to the south-western boundary of Akitio County, described in the New Zealand Statutes, 1898, page 372: thence towards the south-west by the south-western boundary of the said Akitio County: and towards the north-west by Rakaunui Riding, hereinbefore described.

Akitio Riding.

Bounded towards the north generally by the northern boundary of Akitio County, as described in the New Zealand Statutes, 1898, page 372; towards the south-east by the ocean; towards the south-west by the Aohanga River; and towards the west by the Pongaroa and Waihi Ridings, respectively hereinbefore described.

Mataikona Riding.

Bounded towards the north generally by the Pongaroa and Akitio Ridings, respectively hereinbefore described; towards the south-east by the ocean; and towards the south-west generally by the south-western boundary of Akitio County, as described in the New Zealand Statutes, 1898, page 372.

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

J. CARROLL.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Search-fees under "The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898," to be prepaid in Adhesive Stamps.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this sixth day of February, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section one-hundred-and-forty-four of "The Stamp Act, 1892," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby direct that on and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette* the search-fees prescribed by sections sixteen and fifty-seven of "The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898," shall be prepaid in adhesive stamps, subject to any regulations for the time being in force under the said Stamp Act.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Closing Burial-grounds at Onehunga.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this sixth day of February, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it having been made to appear to the Governor that the Council of the Borough of Onehunga has, in pursuance of the provisions of section four of "The Onehunga Cemetery Act, 1898" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), declared the land described in the Second Schedule to the said Act to be opened as a public cemetery, it is now expedient to give effect to the provisions contained in the said section as hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the fourth section of the said Act, and by the seventy-third section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare and direct that, from and after the eighth day of August now next ensuing, burials in the existing burial-grounds in Queen Street and Church Street, respectively described in the First Schedule to the said Act (and also in the Schedule to this Order in Council), shall be wholly discontinued, subject, however, to sections seventy-five to eighty-one of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882."

SCHEDULE.

EXISTING BURIAL-GROUNDS.

1. All that parcel of land fronting Church and Queen Streets, in the Town of Onehunga, in the Land District of Auckland, comprising 1 acre, more or less, being Allotment No. 9, Block XVIII., of the said town.
2. All that parcel of land fronting Albert and Church Streets, in the Town of Onehunga, in the Land District of Auckland, comprising 1 acre, more or less, being Allotment No. 9, Block X., of the said town.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Appointing Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this eighth day of February, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the local authority of the Borough of Feilding, being duly authorised by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," to appoint by special resolution, in the month of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, the day on which shops in the said borough are to be closed in accordance with the said Act, has failed so to appoint a day:

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, and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by section ten of the said Act, do hereby appoint Wednesday to be the day on which shops shall be closed in the said Borough of Feilding, in accordance with the said Act.

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.

Native Land proposed to be taken for a Road through Kokohuia Block, Hokianga Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-sixth day of January, 1899.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE A. J. CADMAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a public work, to wit, for the purposes of a road in Kokohuia Block, Hokianga Survey District:

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 Hokianga County Council, as required by the eighty-eighth section of "The Public Works Act, 1894":

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Part of	Situated in Block No.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked
A. R. P. 3 1 33	Kokohuia Block 2779	VII.	Hokianga	S.G. 39849

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

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

Regulations under "The Municipal Franchise Reform Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this eighth day of February, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon him by "The Municipal Franchise Reform Act, 1898," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the aforesaid Act:—

REGULATIONS.

1. In lieu of the form set forth in the Third Schedule to "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," the burgess list shall be divided into three separate parts, and shall be prepared in the form and shall contain the particulars specified in the First Schedule hereto.

2. In preparing the burgess list it shall be the duty of the Town Clerk to make it as complete as possible, and for that purpose the following provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) He shall place thereon the name—
 - (a.) Of every person appearing on the valuation list, and thereby entitled to be enrolled; and also
 - (b.) Of every person of whose qualification as a burgess he is satisfied; and also
 - (c.) Of every person who makes personal application to him at his office for enrolment in respect of any specified qualification; and also
 - (d.) Of every person who makes, and delivers or transmits to him at his office, a claim for enrolment as next hereinafter provided.
- (2.) Such claim for enrolment shall be in the form or to the effect set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, and the claimant's signature shall be attested by either a Justice of the Peace, or a Postmaster, or a minister of religion, or a burgess of the borough, or the Town Clerk.
- (3.) It shall be the duty of the Council to keep at the Town Clerk's office a supply of blank printed claim-forms for the free use of claimants under the aforesaid paragraph (d).
- (4.) Names appearing on the burgess roll for any year shall be continued on the burgess list for the succeeding year, except in the case of persons who are known to the Town Clerk to have died or to have lost their qualification, and it shall be his duty to report in writing to the Council all names thus omitted, and the reasons of the omission.

3. For the purpose of amending the burgess list by the addition of new names after the burgess list has become the burgess roll, supplementary burgess lists may from time to time be prepared; and with respect to every such supplementary list the following provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) The names shall be entered therein in alphabetical order of surnames, and shall be numbered consecutively, commencing, in the case of each separate part of the list, with the number next following the last number in the same part of the last-preceding list then in force.
- (2.) Each supplementary burgess list shall be deemed to be incorporated with the original burgess list, and, when corrected, signed, and certified in manner provided by section 69 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," shall be a supplementary burgess roll, and be deemed to be incorporated with the original burgess roll then in force.

4. In lieu of the form of objection set forth in the Fourth Schedule to "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," the form set forth in the Third Schedule hereto is hereby substituted.

5. In lieu of the form of the list of objections set forth in the Fifth Schedule to "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," the form set forth in the Fourth Schedule hereto is hereby substituted.

6. As soon as practicable after the original burgess roll or any supplementary burgess roll comes into force, copies thereof shall be printed by the Council; and the Town Clerk shall supply any person with a copy of the printed burgess roll, together with all its printed supplements, on payment of one shilling.

7. A copy of the printed burgess roll, and of all its printed supplements, and also the original manuscript roll with all its amendments and corrections, shall be kept open for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk during office-hours without fee.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

(Reg. 1.)

FORM OF BURGESS LIST FOR A BOROUGH IF UNDIVIDED, OR FOR EACH WARD IN THE CASE OF A BOROUGH DIVIDED INTO WARDS.

Part I.—Ratepayers' List.

Number on the List.	Ratepayers.			Rateable Property giving the Qualification.		
	Surname.	Christian Name.	Occupation.	Its Description and Situation.	Its Number on the Valuation-roll.	Whether Qualification is claimed in own Right or in Right of Husband (or Wife).
1/R.						
2/R.						
3/R.						
&c.						

Part II.—Freehold List.

Number on the List.	Freeholders.			Freehold Property giving the Qualification.		
	Surname.	Christian Name.	Occupation.	Its Description and Situation.	Its Number on the Valuation-roll.	Whether Qualification is claimed in own Right or in Right of Husband (or Wife).
1/F.						
2/F.						
3/F.						
&c.						

Part III.—Residential List.

Number on the List.	Residential Occupants.				Tenanted Property giving the Qualification.	
	Surname.	Christian Name.	Occupation.	Residence.	Its Description and Situation.	Whether Qualification is claimed in own Right or in Right of Husband (or Wife).
1/O.						
2/O.						
3/O.						
&c. . .						

A.B.,
Town Clerk.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

(Reg. 2.)

FORM OF CLAIM FOR ENROLMENT.

Under "The Municipal Franchise Reform Act, 1898."

Claim for Enrolment on the Burgess List [of Ward] of the Borough of . . .
To the Town Clerk.

I, THE undersigned [State full name, occupation, and place of residence], hereby claim to be enrolled on the burgess list of [Ward of] the Borough of . . ., on the grounds hereinafter set forth.

(1.) The qualification is possessed by me in my own right [or, as the case may be, the right of my husband (or wife), whose full name is (Set out full name of husband or wife)].

[In the case of a ratepayer's qualification.]

(2.) I claim to be enrolled on the ratepayers' list as ratepayer in respect of the following property within [the Ward of] the borough:—

Building, if any, . . . ; Section, . . . ; Block, . . . ; Street, . . . ; number on valuation list, if known, . . . ; term of lease, if any, . . .

[In the case of a freeholder's qualification.]

(2.) I claim to be enrolled on the freehold list as beneficial owner of a freehold estate in the following land within [the Ward of] the borough [Set out description of land by reference to section and block], the capital value whereof is not less than £

[In the case of a residential occupant's qualification.]

(2.) I claim to be enrolled on the residential list as being, and for not less than three months now last past having been, in occupation, as under-mentioned, of a building within [the Ward of] the borough as tenant at a rental at the rate of not less than £10 per year for each residential occupant under the tenancy. [Set out the description and situation of the building, or, if more than one, then of each building occupied during any portion of the three months, specifying in each case the name of the landlord, the term of the tenancy, the rental payable thereunder, the period of actual occupation, and, if the number of occupants under the tenancy exceeds one, the number of them and the name of each of them.]

[In every case.]

(3.) I hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing statements are true, and that I verily believe myself to be entitled to be enrolled in terms of this my claim.

Dated at , this day of , 1

Claimant.

Signed by the said , the claimant, in the presence of me— , J.P. [or Postmaster, or minister of religion, or Town Clerk, or burgess of the Borough of] .

THIRD SCHEDULE.

(Reg. 4.)

FORM OF OBJECTION TO BURGESS LIST.

Under "The Municipal Franchise Reform Act, 1898."

I, [Full name, occupation, and place of residence], hereby object to the burgess list of [the Ward of] the Borough of [Name of borough] on the grounds [State the person to whom the objection relates, and also the specific grounds of the objection, being such one or more of the grounds set forth in section II of the aforesaid Act or section 66 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," as are applicable].

Given under my hand this day of , 1 C.D.

Received by me this day of , 1 A.B., Town Clerk.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

(Reg. 5.)

LIST OF OBJECTIONS TO THE BURGESS LIST.

Name of Person objecting.	Name of Person to whom Objection relates, and Nature of Objection.		Grounds of Objection.
	Entered on List though not entitled so to be.	Not entered on List though entitled so to be.	

A.B.,
Town Clerk.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Native Land proposed to be taken for a Road in the Uawa Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

THE HONOURABLE A. J. CAPMAN 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 through Mangaheia No. 2 Block, Block VII., Uawa Survey District:

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 that 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 sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Survey Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 2 33	Mangaheia No. 2 Block	VII.	Uawa	S.G.39998	Red.

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

J. F. ANDREWS,

Acting-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 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 Athenaeum.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 156d 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.

Amending the Description of a Reserve in the Wellington Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the two-hundred-and-thirty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any notification of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notification in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description: And whereas an error was made in the description of Section 18, Blocks XV. and XVI., Manganui Survey District, Wellington Land District, which should have been described as Section 20, Block XVI., Manganui Survey District, in the warrant of the twenty-first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 64, of the twenty-ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and a Proclamation of the third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 89, of the fifth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, reserving the land as an endowment for primary education; and it is expedient to cancel the said notifications in so far as they relate to Section 18, Blocks XV. and XVI., Manganui Survey District, aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the warrant of the twenty-first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and the Proclamation of the third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in so far as they relate to Section No. 18, Blocks XV. and XVI., Manganui Survey District; and do declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be the land reserved as an endowment for primary education intended by the said notifications.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 493 acres, more or less, being Section No. 20, Block XVI., Manganui Survey District.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, 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 one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on and after the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; and that the said lands may be selected on lease in perpetuity, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892"; and I do hereby declare that the rentals at which the said lands shall be leased shall be those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—MARLBOROUGH COUNTY.
Starborough Estate.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per cent.	
				Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
FIRST-CLASS LAND.					
Clifford Bay ..	2	IX.	268 0 0	s. d. 6 9	£ s. d. 45 4 6
" ..	3	"	320 0 0	5 0	40 0 0
" ..	4	X.	548 0 0	4 6	61 13 0
" ..	5	"	558 0 0	3 6	48 16 6†
" ..	6	"	645 0 0	3 6	*5 17 0‡
" ..	1	XI.	444 0 0	5 6	56 8 9
" ..	2	"	295 0 0	6 9	61 1 0
" ..	3	"	398 0 0	5 0	49 15 8
" ..	4	"	393 0 0	6 3	49 15 0
" ..	5	"	464 0 0	5 6	61 8 2§
" ..	6	"	271 0 0	5 9	†1 5 11§
" ..	8	"	434 0 0	4 3	63 16 0
" ..	9	"	311 0 0	6 0	38 19 2
" ..	10	"	369 0 0	6 0	46 2 3
" ..	12	"	313 0 0	4 9	46 13 0
" ..	5	XIII.	574 0 0	4 3	55 7 0
" ..	6	"	436 0 0	3 6	37 3 5
" ..	4	XIV.	345 0 0	4 0	60 19 9
Taylor Pass ..	2	XXII.	453 0 0	6 3	38 3 0
" ..	5	"	513 0 0	6 3	34 10 0
" ..	6	"	437 0 0	6 3	70 15 8
" ..	7	"	271 0 0	5 0	80 3 2
" ..	8	"	452 0 0	4 6	68 5 8
" ..	9	"	731 0 0	3 6	33 17 0
" ..	10	"	401 0 0	4 3	50 17 0
" ..	11	"	594 0 0	4 9	63 19 3
" ..	13	"	558 0 0	3 3	42 12 2
" ..	13	"	558 0 0	3 3	70 10 9
" ..	13	"	558 0 0	3 3	45 6 9

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Clifford Bay ..	3	XIII.	983 0 0	3 0	73 14 6
" ..	4	"	521 0 0	3 0	39 1 6
" ..	7	"	425 0 0	3 0	31 17 6
" ..	8	"	525 0 0	2 9	36 1 11
" ..	10	"	532 0 0	2 9	36 11 6
" ..	11	"	740 0 0	3 0	55 10 0
" ..	2	XIV.	593 0 0	2 6	37 7 6
" ..	3	"	420 0 0	3 0	31 10 0
Blue Mountain	1	IV.	963 0 0	3 0	72 4 6
" ..	2	"	727 0 0	2 10½	52 5 1
Cape Campbell	2	I.	735 0 0	2 1½	39 1 0
" ..	3	"	464 0 0	2 9	31 18 0
" ..	4	"	700 0 0	2 0	35 0 0
Taylor Pass ..	12	XXII.	696 0 0	3 0	52 4 0

* Interest and sinking fund on house, valued at £150, repayable in twenty-one years, in half-yearly instalments of £5 17s. † Total, £54 13s. 6d.

‡ Interest and sinking fund on hut, valued at £15, repayable in seven years, in half-yearly instalments of £1 5s. 11d. § Total, £62 14s. 1d.

NOTE.—Each section is an allotment.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land District of Wellington.

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 District of Wellington enumerated in the first column of the Schedule hereto, for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule, and opposite the descriptions of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column. Purpose for which Land reserved.	Record Number.
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.		
Wellington	Town of Scarborough	36	..	A. R. P. 1 1 32	Public-school site	29004
"	Makuri S.D. ..	76	V.	2 3 20	Gravel	39777
"	Town of Makukupara	4	..	0 3 16	Municipal	38962
"	"	7	..	0 1 18	Public Hall and Athenæum site	"
"	"	8	..	0 1 30	Public-school site	"
"	"	9	..	1 1 29	"	"
"	"	10	..	0 1 32	"	"
"	"	11	..	0 1 15	"	"
"	"	12	..	0 2 12	"	"
"	"	18	..	3 3 14	"	"
"	"	16	..	0 2 29	Public buildings of the General Government	"
"	"	17	..	8 1 20	Public recreation	"
"	Makuri S.D. ..	48	XVI.	15 1 0	For use of caretaker of rabbit-fence	39913
"	Manganui S.D. ..	21	X.	10 2 0	Public-school site	39919
"	"	21A	..	24 2 0	Primary education	"
"	Ruahine S.D. ..	9	IX.	15 2 0	For the preservation of scenery	39942
"	Apiti S.D. ..	28	IV.	86 0 0	"	39940
"	Suburbs of Mangaweka	22	..	1 3 0	Public recreation	40039
"	Ongo S.D. ..	46	XI.	5 2 0	For river-protection	40056
"	Town of Livingstone	74	..	77 3 27	Public recreation	40057

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1899.

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

Name.	District.
WILLIAM GEORGE MORTON	Ashley-Clinton.
FRANCIS JAMES VOLKNER WILLIAMS	Waiaapu.
	J. CARROLL.

Vice-Consul of France at Wellington appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1899.

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

Count LOUIS ANTOINE MARIE JOSEPH HENRI DE COURTE has been appointed Vice-Consul of France at Wellington.

J. CARROLL.

Inspector of Weights and Measures, County of Kivitea, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th February, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable TIMOTHY BREEN

to be an Inspector of Weights and Measures, under "The Weights and Measures Act, 1868," and the Acts amending the same, for the County of Kivitea.

J. CARROLL.

Arrangements for First Elections &c., Akitio County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th February, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER McHUTCHON

to be the person to make up electors' rolls for the Ridings of Waihi, Rakaunui, Pongaroa, Akitio, and Mataikona, in the County of Akitio, as constituted under "The Counties Act, 1886," and "The Akitio County Act, 1898"; also to be the Returning Officer to conduct the first elections of members of the Council of the said county; and also to be Clerk of the Akitio County Council for the purpose of presiding at the first meeting thereof.

J. CARROLL.

Member of Licensing Committee appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 28th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HAMILTON

to be a member of the Licensing Committee for the District of City of Christchurch, vice T. Gapes, resigned.

T. THOMPSON.

Clerk of Courts, &c., appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 2nd February, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable JOHN CHARLES STEVENS WILLIS

to be Clerk of the Magistrate's and Warden's Courts and Receiver of Gold Revenue and Mining Registrar at Lyell and Marchison, on and from the 1st day of February, 1899, vice Constable M. Rogers, transferred.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Justice.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 6th February, 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 JOSEPH CHARLES STEVENS WILLIS	The Middle Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Assistant Lecturer and Instructor at the Thames School of Mines appointed.

Mines Department,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM HENRY BAKER, Esq.,

to be Assistant Lecturer and Instructor at the Thames School of Mines, as from the 1st February, 1899, *vice* W. A. MacLeod, Esq., resigned.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

Medical Officers, New Zealand Police Force, appointed.

Police Department,
Wellington, 1st February, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Police Medical Officers :—

Dr. EDWARD WILLIAM SHARMAN, for Auckland and Suburbs.
Dr. JOHN TEARE, for Wellington and Suburbs.
Dr. WILLIAM HENRY SYMES, for Christchurch and Suburbs.
Dr. ROBERT GORDON MACDONALD, for Dunedin and Suburbs.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Justice.

Despatch.—Regulations for Admission to Forest Service Branch of the Royal Indian Engineering College.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1899.

THE following despatch, received from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, is published for general information.

J. CARROLL.

(Circular.)

Downing Street, 3rd November, 1898.

SIR,—I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of the colony under your government, a copy of the Regulations for Admission to the Forest Service Branch of the Royal Indian Engineering College, Cooper's Hill, for the year 1899.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer administering the Government
of New Zealand.

REGULATIONS FOR THE FOREST SERVICE BRANCH OF THE ROYAL INDIAN ENGINEERING COLLEGE, COOPER'S HILL, FOR 1899.

[Post Town, Staines. Railway-station, Egham Telegraph-station, Englefield Green.]

STAFF OF THE COLLEGE.*

President—Colonel John Pennycuik, R.E., C.S.I.; Secretary—Lieutenant-Colonel W. J. Boyes; Bursar—J. P. Pasco, Esq., R.N., Retired; Chaplain—Rev. H. Bowden-Smith, M.A.

Engineering Branch.—Assistant Professor of Engineering—A. H. Heath, Esq., Assoc. Mem. Inst. C.E.; Professor of Surveying—; Instructor in Geometrical Drawing—Arthur Hicks, Esq.; Lecturer in Accounts—J. C. Hurst, Esq.; Instructor in Freshand Drawing—C. B. McElwee, Esq.

Mathematical Branch.—Professor of Applied Mathematics—G. M. Minchin, Esq., M.A., F.R.S.; Professor of Pure Mathematics—A. Lodge, Esq., M.A., Fereday Fellow of St. John's College, Oxon.

Natural Science Branch.—Professor of Chemistry—Herbert McLeod, Esq., F.R.S.; Professor of Physics—W. N. Stocker, Esq., M.A., Fellow of Brasenose College, Oxon.; Lecturer in Geology and Mineralogy—Professor H. G. Seeley, F.R.S.

*The staff of the College is only given in so far as it concerns the Forest Branch.

Forestry Branch.—Principal Professor of Forestry—W. Schlich, C.I.E., Ph.D., late Inspector-General of Forests to the Government of India; Assistant Professor of Forestry—W. R. Fisher, Esq., B.A., Late Conservator of Forests, Northern India; Professor of Botany—C. A. Barber, Esq., M.A.; Lecturer on Entomology—; Lecturer on Chemistry of Soils and Vegetation—A. H. Church, Esq., M.A., F.R.S. Instructor in German—T. H. Dittel, Esq.

[The arrangements hereinafter described are subject to revision under the orders of the Secretary of State for India.]

1. The Royal Indian Engineering College is primarily maintained, under the orders of the Secretary of State for India in Council, for the education of candidates for the service of Government in the India Public Works, Telegraph, and Forest Departments; but it is open, to the extent of the accommodation available, to all persons desirous of following the course of study pursued in it.

INDIA FOREST DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS.

2. The examination, which will be conducted by the Civil Service Commissioners, will be simultaneous with, and (except that Germah must be taken as an obligatory subject) in the same subjects and papers as the examination for the Indian Police Department, which is usually held in June.

Candidates may undergo the written part of their examination in London, Edinburgh, or Dublin, or at any of the provincial centres at which the simultaneous examination of candidates for admission to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, is to be held. A list of the probable centres may be obtained from the Civil Service Commissioners at any time after March, 1899. The oral and practical parts of the examination will be held in London only.

A fee of £2 is required from candidates examined in London, but when the written examination is conducted elsewhere than in London the fee is £3. Candidates examined at a college or school will probably be required to pay a local fee in addition to the fee of £3 (in order to defray the expenses of superintendence), as to which they should obtain early information from the college or school authorities. The fee payable to the Civil Service Commissioners must be paid by means of stamps of the specified amount. Instructions on this point will be issued to candidates about ten days before the examination.

3. The number of candidates to be selected annually varies according to the requirements of the Forest Service in India; the figures as regards each particular year will be advertised from time to time. In 1899 there will be seven appointments offered for competition.

4. Candidates for the Indian Forest Department are selected under the following arrangements :—

(1.) An applicant must be a natural-born British subject, and must be above seventeen and under twenty years of age on the 1st June of the year in which he competes for an appointment. He must be unmarried, and if he marries before reaching India he will forfeit his appointment.

(2.) An applicant must send† to the Revenue Department of the India Office, on or before the 1st day of May of the year in which he proposes to compete,—

(a.) His name and parentage, a certificate or other satisfactory evidence of the date of his birth, and the written consent of parent or guardian that his name should be recorded as a candidate.

(b.) A statement of the place of education at which he may have been, accompanied by testimonials of good conduct, during the last four years.

(3.) Applicants will have to appear before a Medical Board‡ at the India Office, particular stress being laid upon good vision and hearing. A physical test will also be imposed so as to insure the selection of persons of active habits and powers of endurance.

* Candidates may, if qualified, enter for both the Police and the Forest Department. They will, in such case, have to pay the fee due in respect of each examination.

† There is no form of application; the documents specified in paragraph 4, (2), clauses (a) and (b), should be enclosed in a covering letter addressed to the Secretary, Revenue Department, India Office, London.

‡ With a view to prevent parents and guardians from incurring the inconvenience and expense of preparing candidates who may be physically unfit for the Forest Service, it is suggested that, before any such preparation is begun, candidates be submitted to examination by the medical adviser of the family, or any other qualified medical practitioner, with regard to the following points: (1) a weak constitution, (2) defective vision, (3) impaired hearing, (4) the existence of any congenital defect, (5) the condition of teeth.

It is to be understood that this private examination is merely suggested to lessen the chances of disappointment, and that it is by no means intended to take the place of, or to influence in any way, the official examination, which is obligatory on all candidates.

On the subject of the standard of eyesight required for the Indian services, a pamphlet has been published, under the authority of the Secretary of State in Council, by Messrs. Churchill and Sons, 11, New Burlington Street.

(4.) Applicants who have passed the medical examination and the physical test will be permitted to undergo an examination before the Civil Service Commissioners in the following subjects* (Classes I. to III.), marks being assigned as follows:—

<i>Class I.—Obligatory Subjects.</i> †		Marks.
1. Mathematics (lower), viz., arithmetic; algebra up to and including the binomial theorem; the theory and the use of logarithms; Euclid, Books I. to IV. and VI.; plane trigonometry up to and including the solution of triangles and mensuration ..	..	3,000
2. English composition ..	..	1,000
3. German (400 for colloquial) ..	..	2,000

In each of these subjects a candidate must obtain not less than one-third of full marks in order to qualify.

<i>Class II.—Optional Subjects.</i>		Marks.
4. Mathematics (higher), including analytical geometry, conic sections, statics, and dynamics ..	..	2,000
5. French (400 for colloquial) ..	..	2,000
6. Latin ..	..	2,000
7. Greek ..	..	2,000

8. English History subsequent to the Norman Conquest. There will be set— one general paper; one paper limited to a fixed period, which will be from the year 1760 to the year 1820 (inclusive) for the examination of 1899 ..

9. Botany—viz., the elementary parts of vegetable morphology, histology, and physiology, and the principles of a natural system of classification as illustrated by the more important British natural orders. Candidates will be required to describe plants in technical language. Questions will not be set on vegetable palaeontology or on the geographical distribution of plants ..

10. Chemistry (viz., the elements of inorganic chemistry) and heat ..

11. Physics. Elementary properties of electricity, magnetism, light, and sound ..

12. Physiography and geology, chiefly economic; including the recognition of the more familiar minerals and rocks, and their properties and uses ..

A candidate may take any two, but not more than two, of the optional subjects. Under "Optional Subjects" Nos. 9, 10, 11, and 12, the examination will be partly practical.

<i>Class III.—Additional Subjects.</i>		Marks.
13. Freehand drawing ..	..	500
14. Geometrical drawing ..	..	300
15. Geography ..	..	500

Any or all of these subjects may be taken in addition to the obligatory and the two optional subjects.

(5.) The Secretary of State will nominate as probationers such competitors as attain the highest aggregate of marks (provided they obtain the minimum in the obligatory subjects, and satisfy the requisite conditions in other respects). These probationers will then enter the College, where they will be further trained for the Forest Service of India.

(6.) If the full number of competent probationers required in any year cannot be obtained from the persons so examined, the Secretary of State reserves a discretion to fill up the deficiency by selecting any other person or persons whom, after consulting the authorities of the College, he may consider properly qualified to become probationers for the Forest Service.

5. The course of study for candidates for the India Forest Service extends over about three years. For about seven terms the candidates will prosecute their studies mainly at the College, and during the period of foreign study, which will occupy the remainder of the course, they will visit, under suitable supervision, such continental forests as may be selected for the purpose. Excursions may also be made for purposes of instruction, both during term-time and during part of the vacations.

* Reprints of the papers set at previous examinations, together with tables of the marks assigned to the candidates, are published by the Civil Service Commissioners, and can be obtained through any bookseller. The price of each reprint is one shilling.

† Attention is invited to the appended Syllabus, giving further details regarding the extent and character of the examination.

‡ No special text-books are prescribed.

6. Each annual session begins in September, and is divided into three terms, with vacations of about four weeks at Christmas, two weeks at Easter, and eight weeks in the summer.

7. A charge of £61 is made for each of the seven terms spent at the College; for the period of foreign study the charge is £150; the amounts must be paid terminally in advance to the Bank of England for the first seven terms, and the amount due for the period of foreign study must be paid before the period begins. Receivable orders, with full directions as to the mode of payment, will be forwarded from the India Office to the parents or guardians shortly before the fees fall due. A student will not be allowed to come into residence or to start for his study of foreign forests until his fee has been paid.

8. A deposit of £5 is required to be paid by each student on admission to the College as caution-money, to cover charges incurred by him for damage to books, instruments, &c., or any College bills outstanding on leaving the College. Any balance over and above such charges will be repaid. This deposit is to be paid with the fee for the first term, making the total payment on that occasion £66.

9. The foregoing payments cover all charges for tuition, board according to the College tariff, lodging, with washing up to a cost of 2s. a week, and ordinary medical attendance while in residence at the College. When students are on tour, and during the course of practical instruction, whether in Great Britain or on the Continent, the Secretary of State will defray the expenses of (1) board, lodging, and washing (the aggregate maximum expenditure under these heads being 10s. per diem), (2) travelling-expenses, and (3) fees to local forest officers, &c.

Students are required to provide their own class-books and drawing-instruments. Drawing-paper, drawing-boards, and surveying-instruments are provided by the College.

10. The prescribed course of study comprises the following subjects:—I. Auxiliary subjects: (1) geometrical drawing, (2) freehand drawing, (3) surveying, (4) forest engineering, (5) accounts, (6) German, (7) mechanics, (8) physics, (9) chemistry, (10) geology and mineralogy, (11) entomology, (12) botany, (13) drill and gymnastics. II. Forestry, theoretical and practical, in all its branches.

11. Every student is required to conform to the College rules, to exhibit due diligence in his studies throughout the course, and to give evidence of satisfactory progress in such manner as may be required, failing which, or in the event of serious misconduct, he will be liable to be removed from the College, or to be sent back from the foreign study, which may entail the loss of his appointment.

12. During the course of study the proficiency of the students will be tested by periodical examinations, and on the termination of their studies there will be a final examination. Each student may also, at the discretion of the Secretary of State for India, be required from time to time to appear before the Medical Board at the expiration of the first year of residence at the College, and should the result be unsatisfactory he cannot claim to be allowed to complete the course.

13. The subjects enumerated in paragraph 10 are grouped in certain main branches of study,* and a fixed minimum of qualification is required in each branch and in the subjects taught during the forest tours, as well as a certain minimum for all branches taken together. Students who obtain these minima will receive the College diploma in forestry.

14. Candidates who have obtained this diploma and are found to be of sound constitution and free from physical defects which would render them unsuitable for employment in the Forest Department (the final decision on which point will rest with the Secretary of State for India), will be appointed Assistant Conservators in the Forest Department of India in the order of their standing at the end of the final examination. They will be allowed before leaving the College to state their preference in respect to the provinces to which they desire to be allotted; but the distribution will be made to the several provinces according to the needs of the public service, at the discretion of the Secretary of State for India after consulting the President of the College. Officers are, however, at all times liable to be transferred from one province to another at the pleasure of the Government of India.

15. Within a month of his nomination as Assistant Conservator, each nominee must sign articles of agreement describing the terms and conditions of his appointment; he must embark for India when required to do so by the Secretary of State, and will be provided with a free passage. Failure to embark at the stated time will, in the absence of satisfactory explanation, lead to forfeiture of appointment.

16. The pay of an Assistant Conservator of Forests will begin from the date of reporting arrival in India. Probationers who acquit themselves creditably during their course at Cooper's Hill College will begin on a salary of Rs. 350 a month. It will, however, rest with the President of the

* For details, see Royal Indian Engineering College Calendar.

College to decide whether any of the probationers, though they have obtained the College diploma in forestry, have failed to deserve that rate of initial salary. Such probationers, if any, will begin on a salary of Rs. 250 a month; and this difference of salary will continue until the first departmental examination is passed in India. Officers entering the forest service will be required to contribute a subscription ranging from a compulsory minimum of 5 per cent. up to a voluntary maximum of 10 per cent. of their salary to the Forest Officers' Provident Fund. Such contributions, with compound interest, will accumulate till the date of retirement, when the total sum will be paid to the contributor, or, in the event of death before retirement, to his legal representative.

17. Promotion, leave, and pension will be governed by the regulations laid down by the Government of India and made applicable to forest officers, such regulations being subject to any modifications or alterations which may be made in them from time to time by the Government of India, and their interpretation in case of any doubt arising being left to that Government. The pension rules applicable to Public Works and Telegraph officers appointed from Cooper's Hill College have been extended to Forest officers appointed from England; and the Inspector-General of Forests and Conservators of the first grade are now eligible for the extra pension of Rs. 1,000 per annum admissible to an officer after at least three years of approved service as a head of a department in any province, if considered deserving of the special concession. A copy of the regulations relative to these matters can be seen on application either at the Library or the Record Department of the India Office; the principal rules are contained in the Abstract of the Civil Service Regulations, as given in the "India List and India Office List," published by Messrs. Harrison and Sons, 59, Pall Mall, London, which can be procured through any bookseller.

18. Every candidate, before proceeding to India, will be required to furnish to the President of the College satisfactory evidence of his competency in riding.

GENERAL RULES.

19. Chemical, physical, and botanical laboratories, a forestry museum, a forest nursery, a library, and gymnasium are attached to the College. Means are also provided for the practice of photography. Students making use of the laboratories are supplied with the needful apparatus.

20. The responsibility for the discipline and management of the College and for the superintendence of the studies is vested in the President, under the control of the Secretary of State for India.

21. The students are distributed in divisions, under personal charge of one of the professors or instructors selected by the President; such tutor being responsible for exercising the proper degree of personal supervision over each student in his division, and for conducting necessary correspondence with the student's parents or guardians.

22. Each student residing in the College is provided with a separate room, and with fuel and light, also with the necessary attendance. Furniture and bedding are supplied by the College, but students are required to provide their own towels and bed-linen. Meals are taken in hall. Wine and beer are not included in the ordinary fare, but can be obtained from the College cellar at fixed prices.

23. A chapel is attached to the College, which the students residing in the College are expected to attend, unless specially exempted.

24. Every student will be required to go through a course of gymnastics and also of military exercises, including the use of the rifle.

25. Students are required to wear academical dress, under such regulations as may be prescribed from time to time.

STUDENTS NOT NOMINATED FOR THE INDIAN FOREST SERVICE, BUT DESIROUS OF OBTAINING A DIPLOMA IN FORESTRY FROM COOPER'S HILL COLLEGE.

26. Students not nominated for the Indian Forest Service may be received into the College, as far as the available accommodation permits. Such students may pass through the course of instruction prescribed for the nominees of the Indian Forest Service, as detailed above, or they may be permitted to participate in the instruction given in certain subjects only. On obtaining the prescribed minima of marks in the several branches of study and in totals as laid down above, they will receive, as the case may require, either the College diploma in forestry or special certificates showing in what subjects they have followed the instruction, and with what result.

27. Candidates who desire to be admitted under paragraph 26 may submit the necessary application at any time, but not later than the 15th day of June of the year named for admission, except with the special permission of the President. The application must be made on the prescribed

forms, which can be obtained from the Secretary of the College.

28. Candidates whose applications are found satisfactory as to character and in other respects will be required to undergo an examination, to be held at the College, about the last week in June of the year for admission. The object of the examination will be to ascertain whether the candidate is qualified to follow the course of instruction with advantage (or certain parts of it, as the case may be). Candidates who do not come up to the required standard will not be admitted to the College.

The President may dispense with the whole or any portion of this examination in the case of a candidate who produces an university diploma or other similar certificate granted by a recognised examining body.

29. Candidates admitted to the College under paragraph 26, who propose to pass through the full prescribed course of study, will be required to pay the same fees in every respect as those paid by the nominees for the India Forest Service. Candidates who do not become resident, and are admitted only to certain subjects of study, will be required to pay the fees which may be fixed in each special case in consideration of the extent of their studies. The candidates of both classes will be required to abide by the general rules of the College.

India Office.

FOREST EXAMINATION.—SYLLABUS.

Class I.

Mathematics.—The extent of the examination will be as follows:—

- (a.) Arithmetic;
- (b.) Algebra, up to and including the binomial theorem, the theory and use of logarithms;
- (c.) Euclid, Books I. to IV. and VI.;
- (d.) Plane trigonometry up to and including solution of triangles and mensuration.

English Composition.—The standard of positive merit will be looked for in logical arrangement of thought, and in accuracy and propriety of expression, but large deductions of marks will be made for faults of writing and spelling.

Candidates are also warned that, for similar faults in the use of the English language, similar deductions will be made from the marks obtained in the German papers in Class I.

German.—There will be translations of unseen passages from German into English, and from English into German; the passages for translation will be taken, mainly, from standard authors, and a few simple questions may be asked on the passages set, as to the structure and character of the language, and allusions of obvious and general interest. The *viva voce* examination will include dictation.

Class II.

(Any two subjects may be taken up.)

Higher Mathematics.—In all the following subjects great importance will be attached to accuracy in numerical results.

Further questions and problems on the subjects of the examination in Mathematics, Class I.

And in addition:—

Statics: The equilibrium of forces acting in one plane and of parallel forces, the centre of gravity, the mechanical powers, and friction. (The graphical or geometrical method of treating such problems should be studied as well as the analytical. No application of the differential calculus to statics will be required.)

Dynamics: Uniform, uniformly accelerated, and uniform circular motion, falling bodies and projectiles *in vacuo*, collisions and work. (Analytical methods of solution, but not the use of the differential calculus, will be involved.)

Analytical geometry: Problems on straight line and circle.

Conic sections: Elementary properties, with easy problems both on the analytical and geometrical methods.

French.—The passages for translation will be taken mainly from standard authors, and in other respects the examination will proceed on the same lines as in German.

Latin.—Passages selected from the authors usually read in schools will be set for translation into English. Passages from English authors will be given for translation into Latin prose and verse, but candidates will be allowed, in the place of verse composition, to answer questions of a simple character, which will test whether they possess a fundamental knowledge of the grammar of the language, and such an elementary acquaintance with Roman History as is required for the intelligent study of the books they have read.

Greek.—Passages will be set for translation into English from the authors usually read in schools, and in other respects the examination will proceed on the same lines as in Latin.

English History.—The general paper in this subject will test whether the candidates are accurately acquainted with the facts of English History, and also possess an intelligent knowledge of the meaning of the facts. The paper on the fixed period will, of course, require from the candidates more minute knowledge than the general paper.

Botany, Chemistry, Physics, Physical Geography, and Geology.—The standard of examination in these subjects will be such as may be reasonably expected from the education given at schools possessing appliances for practical instruction, such as a laboratory, &c. A considerable portion of the marks will be allotted for the proficiency shown in the practical part of the examination.

Chemistry will be limited to elements of inorganic chemistry.

Heat will be limited to the elementary portion of the subject.

Physics will include elementary properties of electricity, magnetism, light, and sound.

Geology, chiefly economic, including the recognition of the more familiar minerals and rocks, and their properties and uses.

Class III.

(Both subjects may be taken up.)

Drawing, freehand; Drawing, geometrical.

Geography.—Simple questions in descriptive and general geography.

General.

Handwriting.—In estimating the papers of candidates, a limited number of marks—namely, 100 out of the maximum allotted to each subject—is assigned for handwriting.

Special Order made by the Wirokino Road Board, County of Horowhenua.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 3rd February, 1899.

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

J. CARROLL.

WIROKINO ROAD BOARD.

Special Order.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board now make a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound on the rateable value of the following properties—viz., Manawatu-Kukutaauaki, part 4A 2D (being that half of 4A which joins 8 2D), 8 2D, part 6 2D (being that part of Section 6 which lies between Manawatu River and railway-line), 6B 2D, and parts 7 2D (being those two parts which lie between Tokomaru Stream and railway-line), all inclusive, Block XI., Mount Robinson Survey District (the above-mentioned sections constituting the Otauru Special Rating District)—to provide for interest and other annual charges on a loan of £150 to be raised under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and its amendments, for the purpose of constructing a road fronting the said sections; such rate to be an annually recurring rate for twenty-six years, to become due and payable in one instalment on the 1st day of June in each and every succeeding year.

I hereby certify that the foregoing special order was duly passed by the Wirokino Road Board at a special meeting held on the 17th day of December, 1898, and confirmed at a special meeting held on the 21st day of January, 1899.

E. H. SNOW,
Clerk to the Board.

Levin, 31st January, 1899.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Waimate Road District, Hawera County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 7th February, 1899.

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

J. CARROLL.

WAIMATE ROAD BOARD.

Rama Road Proposed Loan of £950.

RESULT of poll taken on 31st January, 1899:—Number of ratepayers on roll, 16, representing 24 votes: Number of ratepayers voting in favour, 7; number of votes recorded in favour, 8; number of ratepayers voting against, 2; number of votes recorded against, 7; number of ratepayers not voting, 7; number of votes not recorded, 9.

A majority of votes not having been recorded in favour of the loan, I therefore declare the proposal to be rejected.

WALTER BLAIR,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Clive River District, Hawke's Bay County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 8th February, 1899.

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

J. CARROLL.

In the matter of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and the amendments thereof.

CLIVE RIVER DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a poll taken on the 3rd day of February, 1899, on a proposal to raise a loan of £10,000 under the above-mentioned Acts (which proposal was duly notified in accordance with law), the following votes were recorded:—

For the proposal, 168; against the proposal, 1.

And I accordingly declare the resolution in favour of the said proposal carried.

Dated 3rd February, 1899.

W. NELSON,

Chairman of the Clive River Board.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 4th February, 1899.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Hans Andersen ..	Labourer ..	Waihopo.
Andrew Carlton ..	Farmer ..	Waipu.
Matthew Andrew Ferri	Journalist ..	Auckland.
William Frick ..	Nurseryman	Ponsonby, Auckland.
Hans Christian Gripp	Labourer ..	Woodbury.
Christian Hansen ..	Tinsmith ..	Ross.
Jacob Harris ..	Music-seller ..	Wellington.
Claus August Hans Iversen	Gold-miner ..	Kumara.
Jens Jensen ..	Miner ..	Ross.
Charles Peterson ..	Farmer ..	Wharehine.
Victor Roi ..	Carter ..	East Oxford.
Friedrich Sieborg ..	Labourer ..	Oxford.
Harold Smith ..	Gum-digger ..	Wellsford.
Rudolph Summers ..	Labourer ..	Berwick.

J. CARROLL.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,

Wellington, 16th January, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by the under-mentioned officer.

Wellington City Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Ernest Bucholz. Date of resignation, 19th December, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Te Ngarara West Block, Kapiti Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, on the 2nd April, 1896, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 17th March, 1892.

SCHEDULE.

ROAD IN TE NGARARA WEST B BLOCK.

Approximate Area of the Portion of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 1 1	Ngarara West B Block	Kapiti ..	22	Yellow.

As the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.
Dated this 4th day of February, 1899.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Block V., Wainiuru Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, on the 1st October, 1898, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrant dated the 1st August, 1898.

SCHEDULE.
ADMIRAL ROAD.

Approximate Area of the Portion of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 4	Ngawakaakupe No. 4	Wainiuru	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ 28	Red.
6 0 24	Te Weraawaitiri B	"	"	Burnt sienna.
11 8 13	Te Weraawaitiri A	"	"	Red.
3 1 30	Te Weraawaitiri No. 5	"	"	Yellow.
10 0 36	Te Weraawaitiri No. 4	"	"	Red.
14 1 20	Ngatarahanga No. 1	"	"	"

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

Dated this 4th day of February, 1899.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Intention to take Land for a Road through Part of Section 3, Block I., Lillburn Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is proposed, under the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1894," to execute a certain public work, to wit, the construction of a road through Block I., Lillburn Survey District, and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is further given that the plan of the said road and of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the Post-office at Clifden, and is there open for inspection. And notice is hereby given that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of the said land shall, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Minister for Public Works, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Part of Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 22.4	3	I.	Lillburn	S.G. 39708	Purple.

In the Southland Land District; as the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above stated, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Declaring Contagious Pneumonia a Disease for the Purposes of "The Stock Act, 1893."—Notice No. 534.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this eighth day of February, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Stock Act, 1893," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the disease known as contagious pneumonia is a disease for the purposes of "The Stock Act, 1893," and shall be subject to the regulations made thereunder, and now in force; and it is hereby declared that this Order in Council shall come into force from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Settlement of Claim for Compensation under "The Mining Act, 1891."

Mines Department,
Wellington, 31st January, 1899.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the 153rd section of "The Mining Act, 1891," it is hereby notified that the claim for compensation enumerated in the Schedule hereto, in respect to a Proclamation issued under the hand of His Excellency the Governor and the Public Seal of the Colony on the 19th day of November, 1898, declaring that Saltwater Creek (or Paroa River), with its tributaries, in the Provincial District of Westland, shall be watercourses into which tailings, &c., may be discharged, has been settled by agreement, as provided by the said Act.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Claimant.	Description of Property.
Edmund Stratford and Adam Blair	Sections 1095 and 1096, Block XVI., Greymouth Survey District.

Settlement of Claim for Compensation under "The Mining Act, 1891."

Mines Department,
Wellington, 31st January, 1899.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the 153rd section of "The Mining Act, 1891," it is hereby notified that the claim for compensation enumerated in the Schedule hereto, in respect to a Proclamation issued under the hand of His Excellency the Governor and the Public Seal of the Colony on the 3rd day of July, 1894, declaring that the Kanieri River, with its tributaries, in the Provincial District of Westland, shall be watercourses into which tailings, &c., may be discharged, has been settled by agreement, as provided by the said Act.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Claimant.	Description of Property.
Public Trustee ..	Native Reserve No. 25, Kanieri.

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.

Notice as to Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

WHEREAS the local authorities respectively mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto have duly notified to me that the days upon which the shops in their respective districts shall be closed, pursuant to the provisions of "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," are the days set opposite their respective names in the second column of the said Schedule: Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by the said Act, I, William Hall-Jones, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, do hereby appoint that the said respective days shall be the days upon which all shops within the said respective districts shall be closed.

SCHEDULE.

Arrowtown	Wednesday.
Cromwell	"
Green Island	"
Hokitika	"
Lawrence	"
Nelson	"
Ross	"
Carterton	Thursday.
Helensville	"
Kaipoi	"
Kihikihi	"
Richmond	"
Westport	"

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Notice as to Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," and of all other powers and authorities me hereto enabling, and in terms of notice in writing duly received by me from the Chairman of the Conference of delegates of all the local authorities comprised in the district constituted for the purposes of that Act by the Borough of Ashburton, the Hampstead Town District, and the Tinwald Town District (being all the boroughs or town districts any part of any one of which is situate within a mile of any part of another), I, William Hall-Jones, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, hereby appoint Thursday to be the day on which all shops in the said district shall be closed as provided by that Act.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1899.
WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Commissioner's Decisions under Tariff Acts.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 8th February, 1899.

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

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

Articles, and how classed.	Rate of Duty.
98/1483. Apoline (Chapoteaut's), when put up in retail packages; as proprietary medicines	40 per cent.
99/15. Alabastrine tablets; as disinfectants	Free.
99/15. Crystallized camphylene; as disinfectants	Free.
99/15. Camphylene disinfectant shields and blocks; as disinfectants	Free.
99/18. Collodion, Surgical, when containing over 50 per cent. of proof spirit; as medicinal spirits (item 87)	1s. the lb.
98/1474. Cerebos salt; as salt	10s. the ton.
98/1152. Italian cloth, not less than 44 in. wide; as umbrella-makers' materials	Free.
99/15. Mikado moth-papers; as insecticides	Free.
98/1483. Phosphoglycerate of lime (Chapoteaut's), when put up in retail packages; as proprietary medicines	40 per cent.
99/38. "Sparklets," containing carbonic-acid gas for aerating liquids; as n.o.e.	Free.
98/1324. Windmills imported by or for farmers, to be supported by a declaration; as machinery for agricultural purposes	5 per cent.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Commissioner's Order No. 606.]

Result of Road Board Election.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th February, 1899.

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

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Malvern Road Board, County of Selwyn:
Thomas Wallace.

Notice on Order of Court vesting the Lands in the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

In the matter of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894"; and in the matter of Section No. 51, in the District of Okato, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, containing 50 acres 1 rood 19 perches, more or less.

HEREBY give notice that, by an order of Edward Tennyson Conolly, Esq., a Judge of the Supreme Court at Auckland, made on the 20th day of December, 1898, the above-mentioned land was vested in the Public Trustee under the provisions of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894." Dated at Wellington, this 31st day of January, 1899.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Notice on Order of Court vesting the Lands in the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

In the matter of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894"; and in the matter of Allotment No. 311, in the Parish of Te Rapa, in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing 50 acres, more or less.

HEREBY give notice that, by an order of Edward Tennyson Conolly, Esq., a Judge of the Supreme Court at Auckland, made on the 20th day of December, 1898, the above-mentioned land was vested in the Public Trustee under the provisions of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894." Dated at Wellington, this 31st day of January, 1899.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Notice on Order of Court vesting the Lands in the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

In the matter of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894"; and in the matter of Allotment No. 303, in the Parish of Te Rapa, in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing 50 acres, more or less.

I HEREBY give notice that, by an order of Edward Tennyson Conolly, Esq., a Judge of the Supreme Court at Auckland, made on the 20th day of December, 1898, the above-mentioned land was vested in the Public Trustee under the provisions of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

Dated at Wellington, this 31st day of January, 1899.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Notice published pursuant to the Provisions of Section 15 of "The Public Trust Office Consolidation Act, 1894."

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 7th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that, no person having taken out administration, the Public Trustee has filed in the office of the Supreme Court at Wellington an election to administer the several intestate estates of the persons deceased whose names, residences, and occupations, so far as known, are hereunder respectively set forth, their gross properties being estimated not to exceed £250 in each case.

Martha Russell, late of Blackbridge, in the Provincial District of Wellington, widow. Filed on the 10th day of January, 1899.

John Crosby Bammatyne, late of Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, hotelkeeper. Filed on the 26th day of January, 1899.

Thomas Whittick, otherwise known as William Whittick, late of Thames, in the Provincial District of Auckland, miner. Filed on the 26th day of January, 1899.

William Armstrong, late of Waikawa, in the Provincial District of Otago, labourer. Filed on the 26th day of January, 1899.

William Henry Guyatt, late of Auckland, in the Provincial District of Auckland, sailor. Filed on the 28th day of January, 1899.

Peter Bancroft, late of Preservation Inlet, in the Provincial District of Otago, gold-miner. Filed on the 28th day of January, 1899.

John Hicks, late of Rotorua, in the Provincial District of Auckland, auctioneer. Filed on the 28th day of January, 1899.

Elizabeth Haddon, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, governess. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1899.

Robinson Coupe, late of Wanganui, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1899.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land situate in the Town of Cromwell, in the Provincial District of Otago, containing 15 poles, more or less, and being Sections 18, 19, and 20, Block II., on the record map of the said town, situate at the corner of Melmore Terrace and Sligo Street. This land belonged to David Weaver, of Cromwell, Storekeeper, who died in or before 1870, and who by his will devised one moiety of the land to Esther Margaret Weaver (his wife), and the other moiety to David Edward Shirley, Annie Mary Elizabeth Gipparat, and William Harding Weaver (nephews and a niece of his), upon the youngest attaining sixteen.

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

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

Dated this 8th day of February, 1899.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 7th February, 1899.

THE Court Viking, No. 7630, situated at Norsewood, is registered as a branch of the Hawke's Bay District Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society, under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," this 7th day of February, 1899.

EDMUND MASON,
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 5.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 8th February, 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 intitled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following name of an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is published for general information:—

Primitive Methodist Connexion.
The Reverend John B. Merrett.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

[ERRATUM.—General List of Officiating Ministers, Notice No. 1: Under "Wesleyan Methodist Church," for "Thomas N. Newbold," read "Thomas Walter Newbold."]

Crown Lands Notices.

Canterbury Runs classified.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 28th 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.	Name of Station.	Area.
		Acres.
3	Part of Mount Peel Station	2,700
4A	" Peel Forest Station	2,250
4B	" "	1,200
4C	" "	550
48	" Waimate Station	4,350
49	" "	4,800
67	Akatarawa Station	29,200
204	(Waitaki River)	159 1/2
205	(Hakateramea River)	118
90	Part of Tasman Island Station	3,250
91	" "	1,000
207	" "	550
206	" Ben Ohau Station	2,970
103	McRae's Station	1,688
106	Anama Station	7,000
107	Shepherd's Bush Station	7,300
203	Part of Clent Hills Station	1,500
..	" Mount Torlesse Station	6,500
	Total	77,085 1/2

SIDNEY WEETMAN, } Classification
JOHN McLACHLAN, } Commissioners.
DAVID McMILLAN, }

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

Temporary Grazing Licenses, Starborough Estate.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 28th January, 1899.

APPLICATIONS for leases of the under-mentioned sections will be received up to 4 p.m. on and after Monday, the 13th day of March, 1899, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim. If there be more than one application on the first day for any of the sections, a ballot will be taken on Thursday, the 16th March, 1899, at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim.

No deposit is required with the application, but the successful applicant must be prepared to pay a half-year's rent and license-fee immediately on his application being approved. This will be taken as the rent due on the 1st July, 1899. The next payment will become due on the 1st January, 1900.

The conditions and restrictions of the Land Act and the Land for Settlements Acts do not apply.

LANDS FOR TEMPORARY LICENSE FOR GRAZING: 335 ACRES.

Section 3, Block XI., Clifford Bay Survey District: Area, 174 acres; half-yearly rental, £11 19s. 3d.

Section 13, Block X., Clifford Bay Survey District: Area, 71 acres; half-yearly rental, £1 15s. 6d.

Section 14, Block XI., Clifford Bay Survey District: Area, 20 acres; half-yearly rental, £1 2s. 6d.

Section 5, Block XIV., Clifford Bay Survey District: Area, 44 acres; half-yearly rental, £3 6s.

Section 6, Block XIV., Clifford Bay Survey District: Area, about 26 acres; half-yearly rental, £1 19s.

Term of lease: From year to year until required by the Government. The lessee or lessees will have to give up possession of the sections on one month's notice.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
11	VI.	0 3 29	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.

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.

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.			
		A.	R.	P.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.		
109	XX.	15	3	1	2	1	16	7
113	"	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.

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., Cairn-hill 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.

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.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Tuapeka ..	Crookston	40-42	VIII.	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
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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
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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
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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
"	"	15	"	119	0	32	0	15	0	89	5	0	0	9	2	4	8	0	7	2	1	15	8

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	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
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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
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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	5	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	5	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	5	2	2	2	0	3	6	1	13	9
"	"	12	"	194	3	0	0	7	6	73	2	6	0	4	5	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	5	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	5	0	18	0	0	3	6	0	14	5
"	"	14	XI.	177	0	0	0	7	6	66	7	6	0	4	5	1	13	2	0	3	6	1	6	7
"	"	16	"	154	0	0	0	7	6	57	15	0	0	4	5	1	8	11	0	3	6	1	3	1
"	"	17	"	142	2	0	0	7	6	53	12	6	0	4	5	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.

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
		16	I.	6 0 0	0 8-4	0 2 1
		47	II.	6 2 35	0 7-2	0 2 1
		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 Taioma 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 Taioma 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 Taioma Railway-station. Section 13: Rather rough land; well watered; situated within half a mile from Taioma 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	VI., VII.,	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
		36058	XI.	570 0 0	0 15 7½	445 6 3	0 9½	11 2 8	0 7½	8 18 2
		36055	X.							
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	Opuha	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 Opuha 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 WEETMAN,
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 Duntroun. 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 244b, 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 244b, 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.					
Ranfurly Town.			Block XI.		
Block VI.			A. R. P. £ s. d.		
3	0 1 0	5 0 0	7	0 1 0	7 10 0
4	0 0 39	5 0 0	Block XV.		
6	0 0 33	5 0 0	3	0 1 0	5 0 0
7	0 1 0	5 0 0	4	0 1 0	5 0 0
9	0 1 0	5 0 0	5	0 1 0	5 0 0
10	0 1 0	5 0 0	6	0 1 0	5 0 0
11	0 1 0	5 0 0	7	0 1 0	5 0 0
12	0 1 0	5 0 0	8	0 1 0	5 0 0
13	0 1 0	5 0 0	9	0 1 0	5 0 0
14	0 1 0	5 0 0	16	0 1 0	7 10 0
19	0 1 0	5 0 0	17	0 1 0	7 10 0
20	0 1 0	5 0 0	21	0 1 0	5 0 0
21	0 1 0	5 0 0	22	0 1 0	5 0 0
22	0 1 0	5 0 0	23	0 1 0	5 0 0
23	0 1 0	5 0 0	24	0 1 0	5 0 0
24	0 1 0	5 0 0	25	0 1 0	5 0 0
25	0 1 0	5 0 0	25	0 1 28	5 0 0
26	0 1 0	5 0 0	Block XVI.		
27	0 1 0	5 0 0	1	0 1 11	5 0 0
28	0 1 0	5 0 0	2	0 1 0	5 0 0
29	0 1 0	5 0 0	3	0 1 0	5 0 0
30	0 1 0	5 0 0	4	0 1 0	5 0 0
31	0 1 0	5 0 0	5	0 1 0	5 0 0
32	0 1 0	5 0 0	6	0 1 0	5 0 0
33	0 1 0	5 0 0	7	0 1 0	5 0 0
34	0 1 0	5 0 0	12	0 1 0	7 10 0
35	0 1 0	5 0 0	13	0 1 0	7 10 0
36	0 1 0	5 0 0	14	0 1 0	7 10 0
37	0 1 0	5 0 0	15	0 1 0	7 10 0
Block VII.			16	0 1 30	7 10 0
7	0 1 0	5 0 0	SUBURBAN LANDS.		
8	0 1 0	5 0 0	Ranfurly Town.		
9	0 1 0	5 0 0	Block III.		
10	0 1 0	5 0 0	1	0 3 23	2 13 9
11	0 1 0	5 0 0	5	1 0 0	3 0 0
12	0 1 0	5 0 0	8	1 0 0	3 0 0
13	0 1 0	5 0 0	9	1 0 0	3 0 0
14	0 1 0	5 0 0	10	1 0 0	3 0 0
15	0 1 0	5 0 0	12	0 3 8	2 8 0
16	0 1 0	5 0 0	15	0 3 8	2 8 0
17	0 1 0	5 0 0	18	1 0 0	3 0 0
18	0 1 0	5 0 0	21	1 0 0	3 0 0
19	0 1 0	5 0 0	Block II.		
20	0 1 0	5 0 0	23	4 0 0	8 0 0
21	0 1 0	5 0 0	24	4 0 0	8 0 0
22	0 1 0	5 0 0	Block XVI.		
23	0 1 0	5 0 0	17	9 1 39	19 0 0
24	0 1 0	5 0 0	18	5 3 35	12 0 0
25	0 1 0	5 0 0			
26	0 1 0	5 0 0			
27	0 1 0	5 0 0			

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT—continued.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
TOWN LANDS.			SUBURBAN LANDS—continued.		
<i>Komako Town.</i>			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	<i>Macrae's Town.</i>		
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
<i>Ophir Town.</i>			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
<i>Frankton Town.</i>			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
<i>Naseby Town.</i>			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
			11	0 1 0	0 15 0
			12	0 0 38	0 15 0
			Block VI.		
			2	0 1 0	0 15 0
			3	0 1 0	0 15 0
			4	0 1 0	0 15 0
			5	0 1 0	0 15 0
			6	0 1 0	0 15 0
			7	0 1 0	0 15 0
			8	0 0 38	0 15 0
			9	0 0 39	0 15 0
			10	0 1 0	0 15 0
			11	0 1 0	0 15 0
			12	0 1 0	0 15 0
			13	0 1 0	0 15 0
			14	0 1 17	1 0 0
<i>Arrowtown Extension.</i>			Block VIII.		
Block XXVIII.			1	1 0 0	3 0 0
3	1 1 11	2 12 9	2	0 3 29	2 17 6
4	1 0 0	2 0 0	Block IX.		
<i>Kaitangata Town.</i>			1	1 0 0	3 0 0
Block LVII.			2	1 2 4	4 10 0
1	0 3 25	2 15 0	Valuation for improvements: Section 1, Block VIII., £65 12s.; Section 2, Block VIII., £1 10s.; Section 1, Block IX., £87 15s.; Section 2, Block IX., £3 12s. 6d.		
2	0 3 5	2 7 6			
3	0 2 26	2 0 0			
Block LVIII.					
1	2 0 4	6 1 6			
2	1 2 30	5 2 6			
8	1 2 30	5 2 6			

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. P. R.	£ 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.

	A. P. R.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
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.
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(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	4,350	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.

Pastoral Runs in the Counties of Ashley and Selwyn, Canterbury, for Lease by Public Auction.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Monday, the 27th February, 1899, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Pastoral Licenses under "The Land Act, 1892."

Run No.	Name of Station.	County.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.			Term of License.
				£	s.	d.	
136	Broomfield ..	Ashley	Acres. 4,326	120	0	0	7
139	Loburn ..	"	1,100	30	0	0	7
145	Pt. of Glentui and Wharfdale	"	19,040	305	0	0	14
145A	Pt. of Wharfdale	"	11,260	185	0	0	14
146	" Glentui ..	"	3,600	75	0	0	14
230	" ..	"	75	3	15	0	14
150	" View Hill	"	3,052	81	0	0	3
150A	" ..	"	1,774	47	0	0	3
151	" Burnt Hill	"	3,200	100	0	0	3
158	The Point ..	Selwyn	5,300	225	0	0	7
158A	Rakaia Gorge ..	"	200	10	0	0	7
159	Reekwood ..	"	6,900	200	0	0	7
161	Steventon ..	"	4,825	180	0	0	7
169A	Pt. of Snowdon ..	"	4,300	152	0	0	7
231	" ..	"	1,876	66	0	0	7

Run No. 136 is situated principally on the southward slopes of Mount Grey, about eight miles west of Amberley, and comprises hilly land ranging from about 900 ft. to 3,000 ft. above sea-level, with tussock pasture and considerable areas of scrub.

Run No. 139 is situated in the forks of the Grey River, south-west of Mount Grey, and about fifteen miles northward from Rangiora, and comprises tussock pasture and scrub.

Runs Nos. 145, 145A, and 146 comprise the country now occupied by the Assets Realisation Board in the upper valley of the Ashley River, the nearest portion being about seven miles northward from West Oxford. They comprise generally open tussock country, with some areas of bush, the elevation ranging up to about 4,360 ft. above sea-level.

Run No. 230 comprises a small flat of somewhat inferior character; situated at the junction of Glentui Stream with Ashley River, about six miles northward from Bennett's Railway-station.

Runs Nos. 150, 150A, and 151 comprise open level tussock country of inferior quality; situated between the Eyre and Waimakariri Rivers, about five miles southwestward from West Oxford, and at present occupied by Messrs. D. G. Matheson and Joseph Pearson.

Runs Nos. 158, 158A, 159, 161, 169A, and 231 are situated in the upper valleys of the Selwyn and Hororata Rivers, and between those rivers and the Rakaia, at distances varying from one to fifteen miles westward from Whitecliffs and Glentunnel. They comprise generally open tussock country, principally of hilly and mountainous character, now occupied by Messrs. Phillips, Comyns, Wallace, Cordy Brothers, and George Rutherford respectively.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the runs will be given to the purchasers of the licenses on the 1st March, 1900.

2. No person or company may become the holder of more than one run under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892": Provided that the holder of any run under the said Act of a carrying-capacity of less than ten thousand sheep or two thousand head of cattle may become the lessee of an aggregate area sufficient to carry such a number of sheep or cattle. The holder of any small grazing-run under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," shall not be the holder of any run under Part VI. of the said Act.

3. The licenses shall be dated on the 1st March, 1900, and shall in each case be for the years specified above, from that date.

4. The licenses shall be subject to the following conditions amongst others:—

(1.) That, if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or

shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever, directly or indirectly, commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;

(2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license;

(3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner;

(4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground; and

(5.) That during the months of December to June, inclusive, or such other months, not exceeding altogether seven in any one year, as the Commissioner shall from time to time determine, the licensee shall not burn the grass on the land comprised in the license.

5. The licensee shall have the exclusive right of pasturage over the lands specified in his license, but shall have no right to the soil, or timber or minerals thereon or therein.

6. One half-year's rent and a license-fee of £1 ls. shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license, the half-year's rent paid on the fall of the hammer being for the half-year commencing on the 1st March, 1900. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license. The runs are sold subject to the rights of the present licensees to valuation for improvements in terms of section 207 of "The Land Act, 1892," and to the other provisions of the Land Acts relating to improvements effected by licensees. Where fences form the boundary between Crown lands offered for license and freehold lands, the purchaser of such license will be liable to the provisions of any law now or hereafter in force relating to boundary-fences.

8. The Crown reserves a right, at any time, on notice to the purchaser, to resume possession of any run, either in whole or part, which may be selected by the New Zealand Midland Railway Company (Limited), in virtue of any right which the said company, or any person or body lawfully claiming through or under it, may have to or in respect of any unsatisfied land claim. The effect of any such resumption shall be to determine the lease or license, wholly or in part, as the case requires: if the resumption be only as to part, then the rent in future shall be reduced in proportion to the area resumed.

No compensation will be paid or payable by or on behalf of the Crown by reason of the exercise of the power hereby reserved. Provisions to the purport of this condition, and necessary to give effect to the same, will be inserted in each lease or license granted to a purchaser.

DECLARATION.

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

1. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease or license of pastoral lands.

2. That I am purchasing the lease or license of such lands solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

3. That I am not the holder of any lease or license in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any lease or license in contravention of section 193 of the said Act.

4. That I am not the holder of a small grazing-run in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such run.

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.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, 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.

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.

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.
Waipawa ..	Tahoraite	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 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.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
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:		Lease in Perpetuity:		
					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	"	348 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, 26, 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.	337 0 0	12 6	210 12 6	0 7.5	5 5 4	0 6	4 4 9
			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	130 9 6	0 5.1	3 5 3	0 4.08	2 12 3	
	Kapara	14	"	390 0 0	10 0	165 0 0	0 6	4 2 6	0 4.8	3 6 0	
		2	X.	204 0 0	10 0	102 0 0	0 6	2 11 0	0 4.8	2 0 10	
3		"	537 0 0	10 0	268 10 0	0 6	6 14 3	0 4.8	5 7 5		
4		"	922 0 0	10 0	461 0 0	0 6	11 10 6	0 4.8	9 4 5		
1		XIII.	447 0 0	10 0	223 10 0	0 6	5 11 9	0 4.8	4 9 5		
2		"	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 Mangawbio 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.

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
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	A. R. d.	£ s. d.
				9	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 ls. 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.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

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.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run in the County of Waimate for Lease by Public Auction.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Tuesday, the 21st February, 1899, at 12 noon.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMATE COUNTY.

Run No.	Survey District.	Section No.	Block.	Area.			Rental per Acre.		Upset Annual Rental.
				A.	R.	d.	£	s. d.	
282	Hakateramea Meyer	36207	{ XV., XVI. II., III. }	3,987	2	9	147	13	2

Term of lease, twenty-one years.

Locality and Description of Run.

This run is situated on the slopes of the Station Peak Range, facing the Waitaki River, about eight miles south-easterly from the Hakateramea Railway-station, and comprises high open hill-country, the spurs being intersected by deep rough gullies, making the blocks difficult of access. The country is 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.

The run is weighted with £1,060, valuation for improvements—substantial eight-roomed dwellinghouse, well finished and fitted with conveniences, stable, sheds, and other outbuildings, yards, tracks, boundary and subdivision fencing, and surface-sowing.

In the event of the run not being sold at auction, it will immediately thereafter be open for application at the upset annual rental.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the run will be given to the purchaser of the license on the 1st March, 1899, or on approval of application by the Land Board.

2. No person or company may become the holder of more than one run under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892": Provided that the holder of any run under the said Act of a carrying-capacity of less than ten thousand sheep or two thousand head of cattle may become the lessee of an aggregate area sufficient to carry such a number of sheep or cattle. The holder of any small grazing-run under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," shall not be the holder of any run under Part VI. of the said Act.

3. The license shall be dated on the 1st March, 1899, or on the 1st March next following the date of selection.

4. The license shall be subject to the following conditions amongst others:—

- (1.) That if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever, directly or indirectly, commit or be

privity to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;

- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license;
- (3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner; and
- (4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground.

5. The licensee shall have the exclusive right of pasturage over the lands specified in his license, but shall have no right to the soil, or timber or minerals thereon or therein.

6. One half-year's rent, a license-fee of £1 1s., and the amount of valuation for improvements, shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license.

DECLARATION.

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

1. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease or license of pastoral lands.

2. That I am purchasing the lease or license of such land solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

3. That I am not the holder of any lease or license in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any lease or license in contravention of section 193 of the said Act.

4. That I am not the holder of a small grazing-run in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such run.

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.

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.
<i>Opouriao Estate.—Whakatane County.</i>					
Village of Ta-neatua ..	1	..	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
			0 2 0	..	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.

Village-homestead Allotments, Wellington, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Tuesday, 28th March, 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., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington. Allotments not applied for on the 28th March, 1899, will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.
WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
WANGANUI COUNTY.				
<i>Mangamahu Village Settlement.</i>				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
3	..	13 1 32	4 9-6	1 12 4
4	..	13 1 24	4 9-6	1 12 2
5	..	12 2 10	4 9-6	1 10 2
7	..	19 1 8	4 9-6	2 6 4
10	..	14 1 10	4 9-6	1 14 5
WAIRARAPA NORTH COUNTY.				
<i>Pongaroa Village Settlement.</i>				
27, 29	..	40 0 0	1 9-6	1 16 0
37	..	20 0 0	1 9-6	0 18 0
<i>Rakanui Village Settlement.</i>				
19	..	12 2 0	1 6	0 9 5

Section 3, Mangamahu Village Settlement, is situated on the right bank of the Wangaeahu River, below its confluence with the Mangamahu Stream, and fronting on a surveyed road. The access is from Fordell Railway-station, which is about seventeen miles distant, by the dray-road to Maungakaretu. This road is on the left side of the Wangaeahu River, across which there is a good ford when the river is low. The section comprises sloping land, with about 7 acres of flat. The soil is of fair quality, resting on clay-and-gravel formation. The section is in grass, with the exception of about 3 acres of manuka scrub. The section is well watered by the Wangaeahu River and a running stream. The general quality of the section is good. The improvements comprise 12 chains of fencing, at 10s. per chain: £6.

Section 4, Mangamahu Village Settlement, is situated at Mangamahu, on the right bank of the Wangaeahu River, below the confluence of the Mangamahu Stream, and fronting on a surveyed road. The access is from Fordell Railway-station, which is about seventeen miles distant, by the formed dray-road to Maungakaretu. This road is on the left side of the Wangaeahu River, across which there is a good ford at Mangamahu when the river is low. The section comprises chiefly flat land, and is in grass, with the exception of a few acres of manuka scrub. The soil is of fair quality, resting on clay-and-gravel formation. The section is well watered by a running stream and the Wangaeahu River. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 5, Mangamahu Village Settlement, is situated at Mangamahu, on the right bank of the Wangaeahu River, opposite the confluence of the Mangamahu Stream, and fronting on a surveyed road. The access is from Fordell Railway-station, which is about seventeen miles distant, by the formed dray-road to Maungakaretu. The road is on the left side of the Wangaeahu River, across which there is a good ford at Mangamahu when the river is low. The section comprises almost entirely flat land, and is in grass, with a few manuka bushes. The soil is of fair quality, resting on clay-and-gravel formation. The section is watered by the Wangaeahu River. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 7, Mangamahu Village Settlement, is situated at Mangamahu, on the right bank of the Wangaeahu River, and fronting on a surveyed road. The access is from Fordell Railway-station, which is about seventeen miles distant, by the formed dray-road to Maungakaretu. This road is on the left side of the Wangaeahu River, across which there is a good ford when the river is low. The section comprises chiefly flat land, and is in grass, with the exception of about 1 acre of manuka scrub. The soil is of fair quality, resting on clay-and-shingle formation. The section is watered by a running stream and the Wangaeahu River. The general quality of the section is good. Weighted with £8 for improvements.

Section 10, Mangamahu Village Settlement, is situated at Mangamahu, on the right bank of the Wangaeahu River, and

fronting on a surveyed road. The access is from Fordell Railway-station, which is about seventeen miles distant, by the formed dray-road to Maungakaretu. This road is on the left side of the Wangaeahu River, across which there is a good ford at Mangamahu when the river is low. The section comprises about 10 acres of flat land, and is in grass, with a few manuka bushes. The soil is of good quality, resting on clay-and-shingle formation. The section has no permanent water. The general quality of the section is good.

Sections 27 and 29, Pongaroa Village Settlement, are situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, about half a mile from Pongaroa Township. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The land is watered by a creek. The general quality of these sections is good. Section 27 contains nearly all level land, and Section 29 about 5 acres flat. The improvements comprise 20 acres grassed, at £2—£40; and 5 acres felled and burnt. This lot is offered subject to the right of the Crown to enter upon the land at any time and take gravel therefrom.

Section 37, Pongaroa Village Settlement, is situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, about one mile from Pongaroa Township. The section comprises gentle slopes, with about 4 acres of flat land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, kahikatea, with an undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a creek, and its general quality is good. The improvements comprise 10 acres grassed, at £2: £20.

Section 19, Rakaunui Village Settlement, is situated on the Makuri-Aohanga Road. The post-office, school, and store are about one mile and a quarter distant by a bridle-track. The section comprises undulating land, with about 4 acres of flat. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, kahikatea, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. Water may be obtained by sinking. The improvements comprise 10 acres grassed, at £2: £20.

TERMS OF LEASE.

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

2. The day on which the lands shall be open for selection shall be Tuesday, the 28th day of March, 1899.

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

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

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

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

7. All rents must be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided. The next payment will become due on 1st January, 1900.

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

9. 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.

10. 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.

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

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

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

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

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 day of March, 1899.

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.	
Hokianga..	Pupuke*	S.W.22	..	A. B. P. s. d. 74 0 0	£ s. d. 29 12 0	s. d. 0 4.8	£ s. d. 0 14 10	s. d. 0 3.84	£ s. d. 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 ..	Kirikiriroa*	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	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	
" ..	" ..	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	Generally open land, midway between Awanui and Taipa. Part Section 21 contains some kahikatea forest.

* Parish.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

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

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 March, 1899.

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.	
Hokianga ..	Mangamuka	64	X.	A. B. P. £ s. d. 126 3 8	£ s. d. 0 15 0	95 5 0	0 9	2 7 8	0 7.2	11 8 2	
" ..	" ..	67	"	90 2 16	0 15 0	68 5 0	0 9	1 14 2	0 7.2	1 7 4	Open and mixed-forest land of fair quality. Access by good cart-road; three miles from Kohukohu.
Hokianga ..	Waipoua ..	24	XI.	336 3 0	0 10 0	168 10 0	0 6	4 4 3	0 4.8	3 7 5	Undulating to broken land; volcanic clay, and well watered; covered with mixed forest. Situated between Katui and Mangatu Settlements; access by dray-road to Kaihu Railway-station.
Raglan ..	Awaroa ..	2	VI.	508 1 0	0 10 0	254 0 0	0 6	6 7 0	0 4.8	5 1 8	
" ..	" ..	3	"	560 0 0	0 10 0	280 0 0	0 6	7 0 0	0 4.8	5 12 0	Limestone land; well watered, and covered with heavy mixed forest. Adjoins the Glen Murray Estate, and accessible by formed horse-road.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

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 28th March, 1899.

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.	
Wanganui..	Manganui..	6	XIV.	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0
"	"	3	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	12	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0
"	"	13	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0
"	"	11	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0
"	"	18	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	22	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	23	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	1	XIII.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	2	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	4	"	202	0	0	1	5	0	252	10	0
"	"	5	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
<i>Waimarino Block.</i>												
Wanganui..	Manganui..	1	XV.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
Weighted with £29 for improvements.												
<i>Pukeokahu Block.</i>												
Hawke's Bay	Pukeokahu..	1	VI.	350	0	0	1	6	0	455	0	0
FIRST- AND SECOND-CLASS LAND.												
<i>Rising Sun Block.</i>												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	7	I.	200	0	0	1	2	6	321	5	0
"	"	Pt. 6	"	110	0	0	0	17	6	0	10	5
"	"	4	"	200	0	0	1	0	0	200	0	0
"	"	5	"	527	0	0	0	12	6	329	7	6
"	"	10	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	11	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0
"	"	11	II.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0
"	"	18	"	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0
"	"	20	"	540	0	0	1	7	6	742	10	0
"	"	21	"	400	0	0	1	7	6	550	0	0
"	"	23	"	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0
"	"	24	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	25	"	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
"	"	26	"	200	0	0	0	15	0	150	0	0
"	"	27	"	440	0	0	0	12	6	275	0	0
"	"	38	IV.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0
"	"	46	XII.	400	0	0	0	17	6	350	0	0
FIRST-CLASS LAND.												
<i>Coonoor Block.</i>												
Pahiatua..	Makuri ..	18	VII.	200	0	0	1	3	5	234	3	4
Weighted with £22 for improvements.												
<i>Pahiatua No. 1 Block.</i>												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	13E	VI.	418	0	0	1	0	0	418	0	0
"	"	14	"	140	0	0	1	5	0	175	0	0
Weighted with £106 5s. for improvements.												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	12	V.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
Weighted with £97 15s. for improvements.												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	24	V.	100	0	0	1	7	6	137	10	0
Weighted with £30 for improvements.												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	26	V.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0
Weighted with £40 for improvements.												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	28	V.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0
Weighted with £112 for improvements.												
<i>Pahiatua No. 2 Block.</i>												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	11	X.	200	0	0	1	2	6	225	0	0
"	"	12	"	300	0	0	1	2	6	337	10	0
<i>Masterton Reform Block.</i>												
Akitio	Makuri ..	19	XI.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0
Weighted with £8 for improvements.												
Akitio	Makuri ..	20	XV.	200	1	4	1	10	0	300	8	3
Weighted with £10 for improvements.												
Akitio	Mt. Cerberus	24	IV.	250	0	0	1	10	0	375	0	0
SECOND-CLASS LAND.												
<i>Kaiparoro Block.</i>												
Eketahuna	Tararua ..	3	IX.	500	0	0	1	2	6	562	10	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

Section 6, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about seven miles distant—six miles of formed dray-road, and one mile surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by a creek. The general quality of the section is fair.

Section 3, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about ten miles distant—six miles of formed dray-road, and four miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly land with about 40 to 50 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by the Mangaturuturu Stream. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 12, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about eight miles distant—six miles of formed dray-road, and two miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by a creek. The general quality of the section is fair.

Section 13, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about nine miles distant—six miles of formed dray-road, and three miles surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by a creek. The general quality of the section is fair.

Section 11, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about eight miles distant—six miles of formed dray-road, and two miles surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly country. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The general quality of the section is fair.

Section 18, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block, on the Manganui-a-te-ao River. The access is from Raetihi, which is about ten miles distant—six miles of formed dray-road, and four miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises steep hilly country, with about one-third of the area flat land. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth on half the section, the remainder being covered with fern and scrub. The section is well watered by the above river. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 22, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block, at the junction of the Manganui-a-te-ao River and Orautoha Stream. The access is from Raetihi, which is about ten miles distant—eight miles of formed dray-road, and the remainder surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly country, with good flats along the Orautoha Stream. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by the above river and stream. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 23, Block XIV., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about nine miles and a half distant—eight miles of formed dray-road, and the rest surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly country, with good flats along the Orautoha Stream. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 1, Block XIII., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about eleven miles distant—eight miles of formed dray-road, and three miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly land. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character on two-thirds of the section, the remainder being covered with fern and scrub. The section is watered by the Manganui-a-te-ao River, and its general quality is good.

Section 2, Block XIII., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about twelve miles distant—eight miles of formed dray-road, and four miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly country, with about 20 acres of flat land on the river-terraces. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth on two-thirds of the section, the remainder being covered with fern and scrub. The section is watered by the Manganui-a-te-ao River, and its general quality is good.

Section 4, Block XIII., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about twelve miles distant—eight miles of formed dray-road, and

four miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly country, with 50 to 60 acres of flat and undulating land. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth on about one-third of the section; the remaining two-thirds are covered with fern and scrub. The section is watered by the Manganui-a-te-ao River, and its general quality is good.

Section 5, Block XIII., Manganui, is situated in the Marton No. 3 Block. The access is from Raetihi, which is about twelve miles distant—eight miles of formed dray-road, and four miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly country, with ridges and gullies. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is of the ordinary mixed character, with the usual undergrowth on two-thirds of the section; the remainder is covered with fern and scrub. The general quality of the section is good.

Section 1, Block XV., Manganui, is situated in the Waimarino Block, on the Middle Road. The access is from Raetihi, which is about six miles distant, *via* the Raetihi, Ohura, and Middle Roads, which are formed for dray traffic for about four miles; the rest is a formed bridle-track. The section comprises undulating to rough country, with about 50 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, resting on shingle-and-papa formation. The forest is heavy on the flats, and lighter on the hills, comprising rimu, matai, miro, tawhero, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is well watered by the Orautoha and other small streams. The elevation ranges from about 2,200 ft. to 3,000 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 10 acres felled and grassed (at £2), £20; slab whare, £7; garden, £2: total, £29.

Section 1, Block VI., Pukeokahu, is situated in the northern part of the Awarua Block, on the Matawhero Road—which is unformed and may be deviated—and is about eighteen miles from Taihape. The section comprises hilly land. The soil is of fair-to-good quality, resting on sandstone-and-papa formation. The country is open, with native and English grasses intermixed with fern on the ridges, and scrub and fern in the gullies. The section is watered by the Mangahoata Stream, and its general quality is fair.

Sections 7 and part 6, Block I., Mount Cerberus, are situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Pahiatua, *via* Makuri and Coonoor, which is about thirty-eight miles distant, of which thirty-three miles are dray-road, about two miles horse-track, and three miles surveyed road only. Pahiatua and Woodville, *via* Makairo, are each about twenty-nine miles distant—fifteen miles of dray-road, eleven miles of horse-track, and three miles of surveyed road. The sections comprise undulating land, with easy ridges. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, kahikatea, tawhero, &c., with the usual undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, &c., and about 8 acres of swampy flax and manuka in south-east corner of Section 6. The sections are watered by permanent streams, and their general quality is fair.

Section 4, Block I., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Pahiatua, *via* Makuri, which is about thirty-nine miles distant—thirty-three miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and forty-one miles surveyed road only. Pahiatua and Woodville, *via* Makairo, are each about thirty miles distant—fifteen miles of dray-road, eleven miles of horse-track, and four miles surveyed road only. Coonoor School, Post-office, &c., are about nine miles distant—three miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and four miles surveyed road only. The section comprises easy spurs and gullies, rising into broken country. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, tawa, matai, &c., with usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 5, Block I., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Kororo Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about ten miles and a half distant—nine miles by horse-track, and one mile and a half of surveyed road only. The section comprises easy spurs and gullies. The soil is fair-to-good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is chiefly manuka scrub, with about 50 acres of light kahikatea and matai. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 10, Block I., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Pahiatua, *via* Makuri, which is about thirty-six miles distant—thirty-three miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and one mile surveyed road only. Pahiatua and Woodville, *via* Makairo, are each about twenty-seven miles distant—fifteen miles of dray-road, eleven miles of horse-track, and one mile of surveyed road. Coonoor School, Post-office, &c., are about six miles distant—three miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and one mile surveyed road only. The section comprises undulating land, with easy spurs and gullies. The soil is clayey, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai,

tawa, hinau, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by the Waipuehu Stream, and the general quality is fair.

Section 11, Block I., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Pahiatua, *via* Makuri, which is about thirty-six miles distant—thirty-three miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and one mile surveyed road only. Pahiatua and Woodville, *via* Makairo, are each about twenty-seven miles distant—fifteen miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and one mile surveyed road only. Coonor (school and post-office) is about six miles distant—three miles of dray-road, two miles of horse-track, and one mile surveyed road only. The section comprises undulating land with easy spurs. The soil is clayey, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai, tawa, with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a creek, and the general quality is fair.

Section 11, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road. The access is from Weber or Coonor, which are about eight miles distant—to the former by dray-road and horse-track, and to the latter by about three miles of dray-road, two miles horse-track, and three miles cleared road. Mount Wolf is about five miles distant—four miles of horse-track and one mile cleared road. The section comprises low flat spurs. The soil is clayey, of good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, kahikatea, matai, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is fair.

Section 18, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Towai Road. The access is from Pahiatua *via* Makuri, which is about thirty-six miles distant—thirty-three miles of dray-road and three miles of horse-track. Pahiatua and Woodville, *via* Makairo, are each about twenty-seven miles distant—fifteen miles of dray-road and twelve miles of horse-track. Coonor (post-office, school, &c.) is about six miles distant—three miles of dray-road and three miles of horse-track. The section comprises easy undulating land with gentle slopes. The soil is clayey, resting on sandstone-and-papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai, hinau, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a creek, and its general quality is good.

Section 20, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, with half-chain frontage to Kororo Road. The access is from Pahiatua *via* Makuri, which is about thirty-eight miles distant—thirty miles of dray-road, six miles of horse-track, and two miles of surveyed road only. The section comprises very easy spurs, with about 80 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising tawa, rimu, rata, &c., with some totara, with a dense undergrowth of supplejack, with rangiora, mahoe, kotukutuku, and a small patch of manuka. The section is well watered by a large permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 21, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Kororo Road. The access is from Pahiatua, *via* Makuri, which is about thirty-seven miles and a half distant—thirty miles of dray-road, six miles of horse-track, and a mile and a half of surveyed road only. The section comprises very easy spurs, with about 100 acres of flat land. The soil is of fair-to-good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising tawa, rimu, rata, with kahikatea and matai on the flat portion, with open undergrowth of ramarama, rangiora, and toro, and about 90 acres of manuka in the south-west. The section is well watered by a large permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 23, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Towai and Waihi Valley Roads. The access is from Pahiatua or Woodville, which are about thirty-two miles distant, and from Weber *via* Pongaroa, which are about twelve miles distant—eight miles of dray-road and four miles of horse-track. The access is rather difficult owing to steep intervening creeks. The section comprises low hills, with about 50 acres of flat land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising kahikatea, matai, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream.

Section 24, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road. The access is from Weber or Pongaroa, which are about twelve miles distant—seven miles of dray-road (Alfredton-Weber Road) and five miles of horse-track. The section comprises very easy undulating ridges, with about 100 acres of flat land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, hinau, matai, and heavy kahikatea on the flat, with open undergrowth of rangiora, ramarama, toro, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 25, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road. The access is from Weber or Pongaroa, *via* Waihi-Akitio Road, which are

about twelve miles and a half distant—seven miles of dray-road (Alfredton-Weber Road) and five miles and a half of horse-track. The section comprises low flat spurs, with about 15 acres of flat land. The soil is of good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising kahikatea and matai on the flats, and tawa, rimu, &c., with open undergrowth of rangiora, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 26, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about ten miles distant by horse-track. The section comprises low flat spurs. The soil is of fair quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is chiefly manuka scrub, with about 30 acres of tawa and matai. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is fair.

Section 27, Block II., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about nine miles distant by horse-track. The section comprises easy spurs and gullies. The soil is of fair-to-good quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is chiefly manuka scrub, with about 100 acres of light kahikatea and matai. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is good.

Section 38, Block IV., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Waihi Valley Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about eight miles distant by horse-track. An intervening creek interferes with the approach to the section. The section comprises low hills and undulating land, with about 30 acres of flat land. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising kahikatea, tawa, matai, rimu, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is fair.

Section 46, Block XII., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Rising Sun Block, on the Towai Road. The access is from Pahiatua or Woodville: both are about thirty-five miles distant—thirty-three miles of dray-road and two miles of horse-track. The section comprises hills, with good spurs and gullies. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, matai, tawhero, whitewood, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by creeks, and its general quality is fair.

Section 18, Block VII., Makuri, is situated in the Coonor Block, on the Upper Makuri Road. The access is from Makuri Township, which is about nine miles distant by a formed dray-road, seven miles being metalled. There is a post-office and school at Coonor. The section comprises undulating land with gentle slopes. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa-and-limestone formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, hinau, birch, &c., with the usual undergrowth of supplejack, &c. The general quality of the section is fair.

Sections 13E and 14, Block VI., Mount Cerberus, are situated on a by-road about three-quarters of a mile from Alfredton-Weber Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about seven miles distant, by six miles and a quarter of the main Alfredton-Weber Road, which is cleared, but not yet formed. This section is also accessible from Weber, eleven miles and a half *via* Wolff's Camp, two miles and a half. It comprises hilly land, with a fairly good home-stead-site on the by-road. The soil is a clay of good quality, resting on a papa formation. The forest is heavy, comprising rata, rimu, kahikatea, tawa, hinau, pukatea, and a few totara, with a thick undergrowth of supplejack, &c. The section is well watered by a branch of the Makakupua Stream. The elevation ranges from about 400 ft. to 1,100 ft. above sea-level.

Section 11, Block V., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 1 Block, on the Waipatukaka Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about twenty-one miles distant—nine miles of dray-road and twelve miles of horse-track. The approach is difficult, owing to a deep creek intervening. Pongaroa Township is about seven miles distant by a horse-track. The section comprises undulating and hilly land. The soil is clayey, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, matai, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent creek. The improvements comprise 50 acres grassed (at £2 2s. 6d.): £106 5s.

Section 12, Block V., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 1 Block, on the Waipatukaka Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about twenty-one miles distant—nine miles of dray-road and twelve miles of horse-track. The approach is difficult, owing to a deep creek intervening. Pongaroa Township is about seven miles distant by horse-track. The section comprises undulating and hilly land. The soil is clayey, resting on a papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, matai, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a creek. The general quality of the section is fair. The improvements comprise 46 acres grassed (at £2 2s. 6d.): £97 15s.

Section 24, Block V., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 1 Block, on the Waipatukaka Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about twenty-one miles distant—nine miles of dray-road, nine miles of horse-track, and three miles cleared only. Pongaroa Township is about seven miles distant—two miles dray-road, and the rest horse-track and cleared road. The section comprises undulating and hilly land, with about 8 acres of flat. The soil is clayey, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, tawa, kahikatea, &c., with the usual undergrowth. The section is watered by a creek, and its general quality is fair. The improvements comprise 15 acres grassed (at £2): £30.

Section 26, Block V., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 1 Block, on the Waipatukaka Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about twenty-one miles distant—nine miles of horse-track, and three miles of cleared road only. Pongaroa Township is about seven miles distant—two miles of dray-road, and the rest horse-track and cleared road. The section comprises undulating and hilly land, with easy slopes, and about 4 acres of flat. The soil is clayey, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a creek. The improvements comprise 18 acres grassed (at £2), £36; and whare, £4: total, £40.

Section 28, Block V., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 1 Block, on the Waipatukaka Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about twenty-two miles distant—nine miles of horse-track, and four miles of cleared road only. Pongaroa Township is about eight miles distant—two miles of dray-road, and the rest horse-track and cleared road only. The section comprises undulating and hilly land, with easy slopes and a small flat. The soil is clayey, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, matai, kahikatea, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a creek. The improvements comprise 51 acres grassed (at £2), £102; whare, 22 ft. by 12 ft. by 7 ft., £10: total, £112.

Section 11, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 2 Block, on the Kaituna Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about seven miles distant—five miles of formed dray-road and two miles of horse-track. The section comprises undulating and hilly land. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, matai, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of supplejack, lawyer, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and its general quality is fair.

Section 12, Block X., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Pahiatua No. 2 Block, on the Kaituna Road. The access is from Pongaroa, which is about seven miles distant—five miles of formed dray-road and two miles of horse-track. The section comprises undulating and hilly land. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, matai, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of supplejack, lawyer, &c. The section is watered by a permanent stream, and the general quality is fair.

Section 19, Block XI., Makuri, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about nineteen miles distant—ten miles of dray-road and nine miles of horse-track. Pongaroa is about nine miles distant by horse-track. The section comprises hilly and undulating land, with easy spurs. The soil is clayey, of fair quality, resting on sandstone-and-papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, hinau, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a small creek, and its general quality is fair. The improvements comprise 6 acres felled and burnt and 4 acres grassed (at £2): value, £8.

Section 20, Block XV., Makuri, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, at the junction of the Mangatiti and Range Roads. The access is from Makuri, which is about seven miles distant by a dray-road, of which four miles are metalled. The section comprises easy undulating land with flat-top spurs. The soil is clayey, of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, matai, hinau, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, kiekie, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by a small creek, and its general quality is good. The improvements comprise 10 acres felled and 5 acres grassed (at £2): value, £10.

Section 24, Block IV., Mount Cerberus, is situated in the Masterton Reform Block, on the North Range Road. The access is from Makuri, which is about nineteen miles distant—ten miles of dray-road, and about nine miles of horse-track. The section comprises sloping land with easy spurs. The soil is clayey, of good quality, resting on sandstone-and-papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rimu, rata, hinau, tawa, &c., with the usual undergrowth of mahoe, kotukutuku, supplejack, &c. The section is well watered by creeks, and its general quality is fair.

Section 3, Block IX., Tararua, is situated on the Mangatainoka River Reserve Road and Clark's Road. The access

is from Newman Railway-station, which is about twelve miles distant by a metalled road to within one mile of the section, the latter portion being formed dray-road, and the Mangatainoka River has to be crossed. At Nireaha, about half-way to Newman, there is a post-office, school, &c. The section comprises undulating and hilly land, with about 50 acres of flat. The soil is clayey, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rata, rimu, birch, with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, konini, supplejack, &c. The section is watered by the Mangatainoka River, and its general quality is fair. The improvements comprise 30 acres grassed (at £2): £60.

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
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 224L	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	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.

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.
		A. R. P.	£ 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.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, 10th January, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 29th day of March, 1899.

SCHEDULE.
TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

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

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	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.	1,795	0	0	0 12 6	1,121	17	6	0	7.5	28	1	0	0	6	22	8	9
		15	VIII.																	
		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	XIV.	510	0	0	0 15 0	382	10	0	0	9	9	11	3	0	7.2	7	13	0
		4		483	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.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Starborough Estate, Marlborough, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 28th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease, upon application at this office, on Monday, the 13th March, 1899, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH COUNTY.—STARBOROUGH ESTATE.

S.G. Run No.	Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease for 21 Years.	
					Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
135	Blue Mountain	3	IV.	A. 3257 R. 0 P. 0	s. 1 d. 9	£ 142 9 10†
133	"	4	"	3973 0 0	1 10	158 2 2
134	"	5	"	3077 0 0	1 9	134 12 4
136	Cape Campbell	1	I.	2824 0 0	1 9	123 11 0

* Interest and sinking fund on iron cottage, valued at £50, repayable in seven years in half-yearly instalments of £4 6s. 5d. † Total, £146 16s. 9d.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 10th January, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned suburban and rural lands will be submitted for sale by public auction at this office on Friday, the 24th day of March, 1899, at 11 a.m.

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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 Maropiu 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 Maropiu 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.

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.

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.
396	Takitimo ..	A. R. P. 7,300 0 0	£ s. d. 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	5 2 0
28	"	199 0 33	0 0 8	4 16 4
46	I.*	89 3 31	0 0 8	4 16 4

* Naseby Survey District.

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.

VIRICENT COUNTY.

Teviot Survey District.

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

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

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

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 March, 1899.

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.							
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	3	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.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

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

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 15th March, 1899.

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.									
Manukau ..	Otau*	101	..	397	0	0	0	10	0	198	10	0	0	6	4	19	3	0	4	8	3	19	6	
Undulating to broken forest country; soil fair and well watered. Situated about eighteen miles from Papakura Railway-station, and thirteen miles from Clevedon Post-office.																								
Whangarei	Opuawhanga	18	XII.	200	0	0	0	7	6	75	0	0	0	4	5	1	17	6	0	3	6	1	10	0
Broken forest land. Situated about three miles from Otonga Post-office.																								

* Parish.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.
OTAGO 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.
Vincent	Lower Hawea	14	V.	A. E. P. 40 1 38	£ s. d. 1 15 0	£ s. d. 70 0 0	s. d. 1 9	£ s. d. 1 15 0	s. d. 1 4 8	£ s. d. 1 8 0

Good land, well watered; known as the Lagoon Reserve at Hawea Flat.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

Native Land Court Agent licensed.

[In continuation of notice dated 30th January, 1899, and published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 9, of 2nd February, 1899, page 299.]

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT, NEW ZEALAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that a license has been issued to the under-mentioned person authorising him to appear as an Agent in the Native Land Court for the year ending the 31st day of December, 1899, subject to the provisions of section 20 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," viz.:-

JOHN ORMSBY.

Dated at Wellington, this 7th day of February, 1899.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Deputy Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 2nd February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Coromandel on the 22nd day of February, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Auckland, 99-12.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
544	Transfer (C.A. 99-3) ..	12th December, 1898	Te Hore No. 1b ..	Hori More, of Kopu, Thames, to Angus Newton Gibbons, also of Kopu, Thames.
545	Transfer (C.A. 99-4) ..	7th December, 1898 ..	Te Hore No. 1c ..	Wiremu Tukumana, alias Taiwiwi te Taniwha, Popi Reihana, and Paenga Tukitepo, all of Kopu, Thames, to Angus Newton Gibbons, also of Kopu, Thames.
546	Lease (C.A. 99-5) ..	10th December, 1898	Part of Te Komata North No. 1b No. 7 South	Paraku Rapana, of Ohinemuri, to Walter Holtzmeier Wight, of Paeroa.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 2nd February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Coromandel on the 22nd day of February, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Auckland, 99-13.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDERS.

No.	Name of Surveyor.	Name of Land.	Area.	Amount.
547	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland District (378-22, 4/128)	Moehau No. 1 East	A. E. P. 2,250 0 0	£ s. d. 24 12 5
548	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland District (378-23, 4/128)	Moehau No. 1 West	2,730 0 0	29 17 5

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 7th January, 1899, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1898.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	45	48	93	52	20	72
2nd Class	204	994	1,198	242	876	1,118
Total	249	1,042	1,291	294	896	1,190
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	33	..	..	68
Horses	..	..	1	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dogs	..	..	3	..	..	5
Total	..	..	37	..	..	74
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	1	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	56	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	57	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	6
Timber	..	..	3	..	..	9
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	102	..	..	108
Minerals	..	..	368	..	..	1,124
Total	..	..	473	..	..	1,247
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	43 0 11	..	..	39 1 10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	4 5 7	..	..	5 11 2
Goods	..	..	83 18 2	..	..	162 6 5
Miscellaneous	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	3 15 9
Rents and Commission	..	..	1 4 0	..	..	1 16 0
Total	..	..	£132 18 8	..	..	£212 11 2

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	213	188	401	304	304	608
2nd Class	1,129	1,904	3,033	1,409	2,268	3,677
Total	1,342	2,092	3,434	1,713	2,572	4,285
Season Tickets	..	..	1	..	..	2
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	120	..	..	88
Horses	..	..	2	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	7	..	..	4
Total	..	..	129	..	..	92
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cattle	..	..	12	..	..	15
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	245	..	..	56
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	257	..	..	72
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	30	..	..	18
Timber	..	..	645	..	..	2,089
Grain	..	..	80	..	..	69
Merchandise	..	..	301	..	..	327
Minerals	..	..	3,088	..	..	3,522
Total	..	..	4,144	..	..	6,025
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	152 12 1	..	..	173 19 4
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	9 2 9	..	..	7 13 9
Goods	..	..	689 5 1	..	..	1,114 6 4
Miscellaneous	..	..	1 18 0	..	..	41 2 1
Rents and Commission	..	..	21 18 11	..	..	29 4 1
Total	..	..	£374 16 10	..	..	£1,366 5 7

KAIHU SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	10	260	270	8	222	230
2nd Class	118	2,926	3,044	84	2,920	3,004
Total	128	3,186	3,314	92	3,142	3,234
Season Tickets	..	..	2	..	..	2
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	124	..	..	101
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	2
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	9	..	..	6
Total	..	..	133	..	..	109
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	6
Firewood	..	..	42	..	..	6
Timber	..	..	1,465	..	..	2,585
Grain	..	..	2	..	..	6
Merchandise	..	..	148	..	..	119
Minerals	..	..	61	..	..	4
Total	..	..	1,718	..	..	2,726
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	169 2 6	..	..	167 6 10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	9 13 0	..	..	10 8 11
Goods	..	..	377 11 4	..	..	568 3 3
Miscellaneous	..	..	18 15 10	..	..	29 9 8
Rents and Commission	..	..	15 7 6	..	..	14 12 6
Total	..	..	£590 10 2	..	..	£790 1 2
AUCKLAND SECTION.						
	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	2,287	6,850	9,137	1,769	5,788	7,557
2nd Class	10,788	102,402	113,190	9,320	81,162	90,482
Total	13,075	109,252	122,327	11,089	86,950	98,039
Season Tickets	..	..	583	..	..	472
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	6,909	..	..	6,304
Horses	..	..	100	..	..	72
Carriages	..	..	9	..	..	7
Dogs	..	..	217	..	..	204
Total	..	..	7,235	..	..	6,587
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	12	..	..	8
Cattle	..	..	843	..	..	572
Calves	..	..	39	..	..	130
Sheep	..	..	12,728	..	..	11,388
Pigs	..	..	60	..	..	88
Total	..	..	13,682	..	..	12,186
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	378	..	..	204
Firewood	..	..	373	..	..	217
Timber	..	..	240	..	..	198
Grain	..	..	962	..	..	1,273
Merchandise	..	..	773	..	..	627
Minerals	..	..	2,799	..	..	2,692
Total	..	..	7,467	..	..	7,251
Total	..	..	12,992	..	..	12,462
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	8,167 11 11	..	..	6,558 6 5
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	642 4 7	..	..	638 8 11
Goods	..	..	6,567 3 10	..	..	6,286 4 10
Miscellaneous	..	..	16 3 2	..	..	13 2 9
Rents and Commission	..	..	376 0 4	..	..	414 7 1
Total	..	..	£15,769 3 10	..	..	£13,910 10 0

WELLINGTON-NAPIER-NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

1899.			1898.					
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	2,863	25,038	27,901	2,744	23,596	26,340		
2nd Class	14,540	130,078	144,618	14,958	116,976	131,934		
Total	17,403	155,116	172,519	17,702	140,572	158,274		
Season Tickets	1,020	..	..	844		
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.	No.				
Parcels	15,245	..	..	14,134		
Horses	490	..	..	376		
Carriages	14	..	..	17		
Dogs	730	..	..	734		
Total	16,479	..	..	15,261		
GOODS,—			No.	No.				
Drays	11	..	..	9		
Cattle	1,038	..	..	943		
Calves	76	..	..	13		
Sheep	106,913	..	..	98,324		
Pigs	467	..	..	324		
Total	108,505	..	..	99,613		
			Tons.	Tons.				
Chaff, Lime, &c.	246	..	..	474		
Wool	6,911	..	..	7,140		
Firewood	2,156	..	..	2,168		
Timber	6,325	..	..	6,070		
Grain	1,555	..	..	1,892		
Merchandise	10,448	..	..	8,763		
Minerals	3,503	..	..	3,104		
Total	31,144	..	..	29,611		
REVENUE,—			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	15,656	5	4	14,815	17	7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	1,956	12	1	1,745	8	9
Goods	19,233	14	7	19,515	7	7
Miscellaneous	526	1	5	491	15	7
Rents and Commission	1,255	9	8	1,330	15	6
Total	£38,628	3	1	£37,899	5	0

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

1899.			1898.					
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	5,270	48,958	54,228	5,044	47,474	52,518		
2nd Class	27,134	282,218	309,352	24,874	262,560	287,434		
Total	32,404	331,176	363,580	29,918	310,034	339,952		
Season Tickets	1,732	..	..	1,548		
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.	No.				
Parcels	23,324	..	..	26,018		
Horses	459	..	..	316		
Carriages	49	..	..	45		
Dogs	986	..	..	868		
Total	30,318	..	..	27,247		
GOODS,—			No.	No.				
Drays	60	..	..	35		
Cattle	1,293	..	..	1,231		
Calves	32	..	..	157		
Sheep	106,591	..	..	126,381		
Pigs	1,301	..	..	1,899		
Total	109,277	..	..	129,703		
			Tons.	Tons.				
Chaff, Lime, &c.	1,668	..	..	2,238		
Wool	36,278	..	..	17,718		
Firewood	1,458	..	..	1,656		
Timber	7,806	..	..	8,668		
Grain	11,160	..	..	11,782		
Merchandise	22,003	..	..	23,108		
Minerals	25,480	..	..	22,776		
Total	85,853	..	..	87,946		
REVENUE,—			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	31,001	1	2	27,408	15	1
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	3,332	9	7	2,806	12	8
Goods	35,783	4	0	36,054	7	8
Miscellaneous	679	8	3	644	3	0
Rents and Commission	2,213	10	9	2,378	15	5
Total	£73,009	13	9	£69,292	13	10

GREYMOUTH-BRUNNER SECTION.

1899.			1898.					
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	68	840	908	90	933	1,028		
2nd Class	1,239	23,112	24,351	1,538	22,328	23,866		
Total	1,307	23,952	25,259	1,628	23,266	24,894		
Season Tickets	10	..	..	11		
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.	No.				
Parcels	744	..	..	698		
Horses	41	..	..	64		
Carriages	1		
Dogs	39	..	..	24		
Total	824	..	..	787		
GOODS,—			No.	No.				
Drays	1	..	..	10		
Cattle	22	..	..	31		
Calves	2	..	..	..
Sheep	346	..	..	371		
Pigs	24	..	..	41		
Total	395	..	..	453		
			Tons.	Tons.				
Chaff, Lime, &c.	6	..	..	48		
Wool	21	..	..	26		
Firewood	12	..	..	340		
Timber	962	..	..	1,146		
Grain	120	..	..	137		
Merchandise	330	..	..	426		
Minerals	11,940	..	..	11,437		
Total	13,391	..	..	13,560		
REVENUE,—			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	572	14	2	565	9	6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	29	1	7	34	14	0
Goods	1,560	17	0	1,539	6	1
Miscellaneous	125	3	2	135	13	11
Rents and Commission	36	0	8	35	15	3
Total	£2,323	16	7	£2,360	12	9

GREYMOUTH-HOKITIKA SECTION.

1899.			1898.					
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	64	984	1,048	89	978	1,067		
2nd Class	864	8,920	9,784	836	8,730	9,566		
Total	928	9,904	10,832	925	9,708	10,633		
Season Tickets	6	..	..	3		
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.	No.				
Parcels	298	..	..	218		
Horses	53	..	..	62		
Carriages		
Dogs	33	..	..	34		
Total	334	..	..	314		
GOODS,—			No.	No.				
Drays	1	..	..	8		
Cattle	21	..	..	20		
Calves		
Sheep	152	..	..	..
Pigs	6	..	..	..
Total	180	..	..	28		
			Tons.	Tons.				
Chaff, Lime, &c.	9	..	..	6		
Wool	30	..	..	6		
Firewood	30	..	..	6		
Timber	507	..	..	498		
Grain		
Merchandise	711	..	..	516		
Minerals	109	..	..	70		
Total	1,366	..	..	1,096		
REVENUE,—			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	650	7	6	651	5	3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	56	2	8	56	11	6
Goods	433	8	9	321	6	9
Miscellaneous	Dr. 3	10	3	0	6	0
Rents and Commission	16	14	0	12	19	0
Total	£1,153	2	8	£1,042	8	6

WESTPORT SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	5	120	125	6	84	90
2nd Class	817	11,698	12,515	821	12,956	13,777
Total	822	11,818	12,640	827	13,040	13,867

PARCELS, ETC.,—	1899.		1898.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Parcels	290	12	323	12
Horses	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..
Dogs	6	..	10	..
Total	296	12	333	12

GOODS,—	1899.		1898.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Drays	..	..	..	..
Cattle	4	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..
Sheep	31	..	34	..
Pigs	..	..	4	..
Total	35	..	38	..

REVENUE,—	1899.			1898.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	484	18	6	497	15	10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	19	0	0	25	13	10
Goods	2,444	2	4	2,748	16	0
Miscellaneous	80	7	4	81	13	0
Rents and Commission	61	14	0	62	14	0
Total	£3,090	2	2	£3,416	12	8

NELSON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	58	620	678	63	350	413
2nd Class	969	6,854	7,823	906	6,388	7,294
Total	1,027	7,474	8,501	969	6,738	7,707

PARCELS, ETC.,—	1899.		1898.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Parcels	249	12	321	12
Horses	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	1	..
Dogs	22	..	19	..
Total	271	12	341	12

GOODS,—	1899.		1898.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Drays	1	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	1	..
Sheep	..	..	1	..
Pigs	..	..	8	..
Total	1	..	10	..

NELSON SECTION—continued.

	1899.			1898.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	36	..	..	30	..	..
Wool	194	..	..	163	..	..
Firewood	174	..	..	126	..	..
Timber	259	..	..	161	..	..
Grain	109	..	..	134	..	..
Merchandise	173	..	..	166	..	..
Minerals	185	..	..	183	..	..
Total	1,130	..	..	963	..	..

REVENUE,—	1899.			1898.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	447	16	11	375	2	8
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	29	5	3	29	9	2
Goods	437	0	11	430	7	1
Miscellaneous	29	5	1	52	1	4
Rents and Commission	16	4	0	14	14	0
Total	£959	12	2	£901	14	3

PICTON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	150	948	1,098	137	794	931
2nd Class	659	6,050	6,709	620	5,270	5,890
Total	809	6,998	7,807	757	6,064	6,821

PARCELS, ETC.,—	1899.		1898.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Parcels	19	12	..	..
Horses	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..
Dogs	10	..	6	..
Total	29	12	6	..

GOODS,—	1899.		1898.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Drays	5	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	1	..
Calves	..	..	..	..
Sheep	185	..	222	..
Pigs	..	..	39	..
Total	190	..	262	..

REVENUE,—	1899.			1898.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	413	18	6	342	0	2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	10	2	9	13	9	5
Goods	376	5	11	399	16	9
Miscellaneous	48	18	5	20	18	0
Rents and Commission	43	11	6	33	12	0
Total	£892	17	1	£809	16	4

A. C. FIFE,
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.
Railway Department, 7th February, 1899.

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1898-99.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 7th January, 1899.

Section.	Miles open for Traffic.	REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.		FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE.		
		Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Per Cent. of Revenue.	Revenue per Mile of Railway.	Expenditure per Mile of Railway.
NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ s. d. 132 18 8	£ s. d. 1,686 12 9	£ s. d. 162 13 1	£ s. d. 2,086 16 8	123.73	£ s. d. 274 1 7	£ s. d. 339 2 3
Whangarei ..	22	874 16 10	9,795 4 8	525 19 9	5,504 5 0	56.19	692 1 1	388 17 9
Kaihu ..	17	590 10 2	6,217 19 5	253 19 3	3,501 6 7	56.31	475 9 10	267 14 11
Auckland ..	332	15,769 3 10	118,170 10 6	6,500 4 5	78,551 3 10	66.47	490 0 5	325 14 7
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	38,628 3 1	282,086 0 3	23,550 1 1	199,790 0 0	70.83	813 2 2	575 12 8
Total ..	890	55,995 12 7	417,956 7 7	30,992 17 7	289,433 12 1	69.25		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,154	73,009 13 9	592,273 15 1	32,841 1 0	370,900 13 5	62.62	£ s. d. 673 6 8	£ s. d. 421 13 3
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	2,323 16 7	18,296 16 9	919 12 2	10,387 0 7	56.77	2,973 4 9	1,687 17 10
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	1,153 2 8	8,051 10 7	457 7 4	4,688 4 11	53.23	436 2 6	253 18 11
Westport ..	31	3,090 2 2	39,628 14 4	1,557 9 3	16,192 5 3	40.86	1,661 17 0	679 0 7
Nelson ..	23	959 12 2	8,035 8 9	972 16 0	11,407 14 2	141.97	454 3 6	644 15 8
Picton ..	21	892 17 1	6,454 8 1	921 18 9	7,635 3 10	113.29	399 11 2	472 18 1
Total ..	1,261	81,429 4 5	672,740 13 7	37,670 4 6	421,211 2 2	62.61		
Grand total ..	2,091	137,424 17 0	1,090,697 1 2	68,663 2 1	710,644 14 3	65.15		

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ s. d. 212 11 2	£ s. d. 1,718 6 10	£ s. d. 207 13 7	£ s. d. 2,410 4 5	140.26	£ s. d. 279 4 7	£ s. d. 391 13 3
Whangarei ..	18	1,366 5 7	8,923 16 10	556 7 5	7,004 15 3	78.49	644 10 0	505 18 0
Kaihu ..	17	790 1 2	9,381 17 2	463 10 10	4,259 10 7	45.40	717 8 9	325 14 7
Auckland ..	312	13,910 10 0	110,372 14 1	6,413 5 8	71,021 7 11	64.35	460 19 10	296 12 8
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	37,899 5 0	248,796 14 3	16,998 1 4	175,858 3 4	70.68	730 11 1	516 7 8
Total ..	806	54,178 12 11	379,193 9 2	24,638 18 10	260,554 1 6	68.71		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,142	69,292 13 10	572,157 15 7	33,387 7 9	352,952 4 10	61.69	£ s. d. 654 18 7	£ s. d. 404 0 3
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	2,360 12 9	19,315 17 5	1,123 18 8	9,677 0 7	50.10	3,138 16 6	1,572 10 4
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	1,042 8 6	7,389 5 1	652 12 3	4,630 3 0	62.66	400 5 0	250 16 0
Westport ..	31	3,416 12 8	35,229 17 7	1,234 13 4	14,759 13 11	41.90	1,477 7 8	618 19 1
Nelson ..	23	901 14 3	7,415 14 5	654 14 7	7,116 15 10	95.97	419 3 0	402 5 1
Picton ..	21	809 16 4	5,619 12 6	589 5 0	6,389 14 3	113.70	347 17 7	395 11 1
Total ..	1,249	77,823 18 4	647,128 2 7	37,642 11 7	395,525 12 5	61.12		
Grand total ..	2,055	132,002 11 3	1,026,321 11 9	62,281 10 5	656,079 13 11	63.93		

A. C. FIFE,
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

Railway Department, 7th February, 1899.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC on ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1898, to 7th January, 1899.

All Sections.	Passengers.						Season Tickets.	Number.					Number.				
	First Class.		Second Class.		Total.	Total.		Parcels.	Horses.	Carriages.	Dogs.	Total.	Drays, &c.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
1899	S. 87,818	R. 528,968	S. 455,729	R. 2,602,352	3,674,861	40,899	442,820	7,920	755	18,695	470,190	725	41,916	2,589	1,501,893	23,706	1,570,829
1898	86,082	516,992	440,016	2,500,534	3,543,624	35,654	400,930	7,592	653	17,833	427,008	651	31,857	2,782	1,440,289	33,149	1,508,728
Inc.	1,736	11,976	15,707	101,818	131,237	5,245	41,890	328	102	862	43,182	74	10,059	..	61,604	..	62,101
Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	193	..	9,443	..

All Sections.	Tons.															
	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.	
1899	Tons 68,662	c. qr. 0 0	Tons 62,405	c. qr. 8 0	Tons 70,884	c. qr. 0 0	Tons 241,601	c. qr. 4 0	Tons 308,681	c. qr. 8 0	Tons 354,587	c. qr. 18 0	Tons 885,679	c. qr. 3 0	Tons 1,992,501	c. qr. 1 0
1898	61,144	0 0	70,275	0 0	64,270	0 0	240,327	3 0	324,306	4 0	341,045	8 0	808,751	17 0	1,910,119	12 0
Increase	7,518	0 0	..	..	6,614	0 0	1,274	1 0	..	..	13,542	10 0	76,927	6 0	82,381	9 0
Decrease	..	..	7,869	12 0	..	..	..	..	15,624	16 0	..	..	..	..	..	..

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1898, as furnished by Public Works Department, including Public Works Loan Expenditure on Harbour-works forming Part of the Railway System.

Section.	Cost of Opened Lines.			Cost of Unopened Lines.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Kawakawa	91,681	0	0	..	..	..
Whangarei	144,105	0	0	6,696	0	0
Kaihu	70,544	0	0	..	..	..
Auckland	2,214,903	0	0	217,156	0	0
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth	3,796,473	0	0	140,048	0	0
Wellington-Foxton (private line)	..	..	..	42,116	0	0
Surveys, North Island	..	..	..	30,182	0	0
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	5,169	0	0
Hurunui-Bluff	8,666,899	0	0	83,097	0	0
Greymouth-Brunner	196,972	0	0	15,959	0	0
Greymouth Harbour Works	..	..	..	127,234	0	0
Greymouth-Hokitika	195,127	0	0	..	..	..
Westport	220,772	0	0	..	..	..
Westport Harbour Works	..	..	..	14,111	0	0
Nelson	165,192	0	0	12,537	0	0
Picton	206,235	0	0	53,711	0	0
Stock, Permanent-way	..	..	..	49,169	0	0
Stock, A.O.L. Stores	..	..	..	31,964	0	0
Surveys, Middle Island	..	..	..	38,825	0	0
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	5,168	0	0
Stock in suspense	25,000	0	0	..	..	..
Total	15,993,903	0	0	878,142	0	0

A. C. FIFE,
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

Railway Department, 7th February, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that **NUKU REIHANA**, of Mahinapua, near Whangaroa, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at Messrs. Hare Bros.' store, Kaeo, on Thursday, the 9th day of February, 1899, at 2 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 1st February, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that **MORRIS COPELAND**, of Carlton Gore Road, Auckland, Merchant, trading as "M. Copeland and Co.," was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 13th day of February, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wairarapa, holden at Masterton.

NOTICE is hereby given that **ROBERT BLAIR** and **BARBARA BLAIR**, trading as "R. Blair and Co.," of Pahiatua, Drapers, were this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Official Assignee's office, Wellington, on Friday, the 10th day of February, 1899, at 12 o'clock noon.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 31st January, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that **CHARLES FISK**, of Christchurch, Tailor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 13th day of February, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

G. L. GREENWOOD,
Official Assignee.

6th February, 1899.

Mining Notices.**STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.**

Name of company: **Waihi Extended Gold-mining Company (Limited).**

When formed, and date of registration: 29th May, 1895; 12th August, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; John William Nichol.

Nominal capital: £150,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £149,967.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,973 15s. 7½d.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash from other sources: £375.

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: 149,967.

Amount paid per share: On 40,000 shares, 1s. 2½d.; on 109,967 shares, 2½d.

Amount called up per share: 2½d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £588 7s. 6d.

Number of shares forfeited: 1,255.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 1,255; £19 6s. 11d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 72.

Present number of shareholders: 353.

Number of men employed by company: 4 to March; 1 since.

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: £440 4s. 2d.

Total expenditure since registration: £3,182 17s. 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: £47 19s. 8d.

Amount of cash in hand: £2.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £588 7s. 6d.

Amount of debts considered good: £588 7s. 6d.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £223 1s. 6d.

I, John William Nichol, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Extended 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."

J. W. NICHOL,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 25th day of January, 1899, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 164

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: **Waihi South Gold-mining Company (Limited).**

When formed, and date of registration: 18th June, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.

Nominal capital: £22,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £18,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,375.

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: 120,000.

Amount paid per share: 2s. 2d.

Amount called up per share: 1s. 2d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: 6,175.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 400; £12 18s. 4d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 46.

Present number of shareholders: 158.

Number of men employed by company: About 12, when working.

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: £1,379 7s.

Total expenditure since registration: £7,675 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: Nil.

Amount of cash in hand: £2.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £44 15s. 6d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi South 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 25th day of January, 1899, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 165

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: **Aotea Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability).**

When formed, and date of registration: 6th October, 1896; 23rd November, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.

Nominal capital: £4,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £921 16s. 8½d.

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: 54,223.
 Amount paid per share: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.
 Amount called up per share: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £6 17s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 30,027.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 4,250; £14 16s. 10d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 55.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 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: £840 8s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,380 19s. 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: £59 9s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £6 17s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £6 17s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £49 12s. 6d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Aotea Gold- and Silver-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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1899, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 166

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Grace Darling Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th January, 1894; 30th January, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.
 Nominal capital: £30,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £30,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,906 14s. 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: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 59,941.
 Amount paid per share: 7s. 4d.
 Amount called up per share: 2s. 4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 4; £402 8s. 5d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 684.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 14.
 Present number of shareholders: 204.
 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: 129 oz. 8 dwt.; £171 1s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,050 15s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,770 3s. 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: £227 15s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £402 8s. 5d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £402 8s. 5d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £30 3s. 1d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Grace Darling 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1899, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 167

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Aorere Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 31st July, 1895; 22nd August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,564 10s. 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 19,799.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 3,500; £3 12s. 11d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 41.
 Present number of shareholders: 70.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 141 oz. 7 dwt.; £343 4s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 141 oz. 7 dwt.; £343 4s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £181 16s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,612 3s. 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: £20 5s. 8d.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Aorere 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899, before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 168

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Buffalo Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th July, 1895; 2nd August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,533 6s. 8d.
 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: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 142.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 142; 16s. 1d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 47.

Present number of shareholders: 175.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 202 oz. 15 dwt.; £590 18s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £596 1s. 11d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £74 0s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,609 18s. 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: £30 10s. 8d.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Buffalo 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
 before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 169

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bay View Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th April, 1896; 7th May, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.

Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £451 17s. 8d.
 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: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1-35d.
 Amount called up per share: 2½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 68,550.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and amount received for same: 1,720; £3 11s. 8d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 32.

Present number of shareholders: 73.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 36 oz. 18 dwt.; £102 9s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 80 oz. 12 dwt.; £213 10s. 8d.
 Amount expended in carrying on operations during preceding year: £256 7s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration: £1,161 10s.
 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 14s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Bay View 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
 before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 170

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Flossie Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1897; 4th November, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.

Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,925.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £113 18s. 9d.
 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: 57,750.
 Amount paid per share: 0-44d.
 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: 37.

Present number of shareholders: 38.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 27 oz. 14 dwt.; £77 18s. 6d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 27 oz. 14 dwt.; £77 18s. 6d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £81 19s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £189 4s. 6d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends unclaimed: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £2 14s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Flossie 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
 before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 171

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 17th August, 1897; 9th September, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.

Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,250.
 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: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4d.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 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: 10.

Present number of shareholders: 10.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 2 oz. 12 dwt.; £7 5s. 7d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 2 oz. 12 dwt.; £7 5s. 7d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £361 0s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,358 11s.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £9 2s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Shore 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 172

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Harbour View Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 7th June, 1895; 27th June, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £16,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £16,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,333 6s. 8d.
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: 160,000.
Number of shares allotted: 160,000.
Amount paid per share: 2d.
Amount called up per share: 1d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 51.
Present number of shareholders: 348.
Number of men employed by company: 10.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 83 oz. 8 dwt.; £226 4s. 11d.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 84 oz. 18 dwt.; £230 14s. 3d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £482 16s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,790 3s. 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: £313 15s. 1d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Harbour View 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 173

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hinemoa Hauraki Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 19th November, 1896; 14th January, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £846 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: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
Amount paid per share: 2-53d.
Amount called up per share: 1d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: 71,535.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 79.
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: £66 7s. 7d.
Total expenditure since registration: £862 18s. 3d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid during year: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £32 11s. 4d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £168 15s.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Hinemoa Hauraki 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 174

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Matawai Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 27th June, 1895; 12th September, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £6,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,475 14s. 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: 5-9d.
Amount called up per share: 4d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: 54,600.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 42,220; £10 18s. 8d.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 47.
Present number of shareholders: 19.
Number of men employed by company: 2.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 12 dwt.; £1 9s. 6d.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 12 dwt.; £1 9s. 6d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operation during preceding year: £275 4s. 9d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,462 0s. 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: £29 12s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Matawai 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 175

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Pukewhau Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th August, 1895; 20th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,626 11s. 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: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6'5d.
 Amount called up per share: 4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 30,625.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 1,000; £4 9s. 4d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 101.
 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: 6 oz. 19 dwt.; £19 8s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £204 3s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,642 6s. 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: £6 1s. 3d.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Pukewhau 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899, before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 176

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Queen of the North Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th September, 1897; 2nd December, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,733 6s. 8d.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £540 8s. 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: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2'1d.
 Amount called up per share: 1'4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 43,120; nil.
 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: 18.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 43 oz. 7 dwt.; £126 2s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 43 oz. 7 dwt.; £126 2s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £569 15s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £661 6s. 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: £88 6s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Queen of the North 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899, before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 177

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Star of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th September, 1896; 16th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £900.
 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: 2'7d.
 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: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 120.
 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: £54 5s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £777 0s. 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: £122 19s. 8d.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Star of Waihi 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899, before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 178

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wynyardton Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd October, 1895; 14th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £10,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,401 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: £2,100.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 10/2d.
 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: 48.
 Present number of shareholders: 116.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 51 oz. 2 dwt.; £152 5s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 51 oz. 2 dwt.; £152 5s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £61 17s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,414 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: £2 11s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Wynyardton 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1899,
 before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 179

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Albert Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th June, 1896; 9th July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: The Square, Palmerston North; Richard J. H. Leigh.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash (including £1,225, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares): £3,146 15s. 5d.
 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: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6d., and also equivalent to £1,225, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 9,975 shares, fifth call of 1d., £41 11s. 3d.; 4,400 shares, fourth call of 1d., £18 16s. 8d.; £59 17s. 11d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 28,455.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 14,080; £60 6s. 8d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 59.
 Present number of shareholders: 125.
 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: £1,997 18s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,071 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: £53 6s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 12s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £16.

I, Richard J. H. Leigh, of Palmerston North, the Manager of the Albert 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."

R. J. H. LEIGH,
 Manager.

Declared at Palmerston North, this 21st day of January, 1899, before me—James Mowlem, J.P. 186

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Mascotte Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th November, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Walter Taylor, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £743 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,500; nil.
 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: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,500.
 Amount paid per share: 5s.
 Amount called up per share: 5s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £381 5s.
 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: 62.
 Present number of shareholders: 66.
 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: £102 0s. 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: £641 14s. 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): £85 9s. 4d.

I, Walter Taylor, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Golden Mascotte 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 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."

WALTER TAYLOR,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 31st day of January, 1899,
 before me—H. S. Valentine, J.P. 185

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Roaring Meg Sluicing and Hydraulic Power Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th October, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Paparoa; Frank T. Wilton.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,725.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,725.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £4,725.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £5,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 97,250.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 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 company: 25.
 Present number of shareholders: 30.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 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: £2,123 0s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,276 4s. 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: £185 5s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £26 4s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £26 4s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £109 11s. 4d.

I, Frank T. Wilton, of Wellington, the Manager of the Roaring Meg Sluicing and Hydraulic Power 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."

F. T. WILTON,

Manager.

Declared at Wellington, this 20th day of January, 1899, before me—T. W. Hislop, Solicitor, Wellington. 188

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Pactolus Sluicing Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st April, 1898;
 25th April, 1898.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch; H. A. Bruce.

Nominal capital: £25,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £25,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,582 16s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £18,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £13,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 25,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 25,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on A shares, 4s. 9d. on B shares.
 Amount called up per share: 4s. 9d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £225.
 Number of shares forfeited: 225.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 47.
 Present number of shareholders: 50.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year:
 1 oz. 4 dwt. 18 gr.; £4 17s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration:
 1 oz. 4 dwt. 18 gr.; £4 17s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,409 10s. 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: £179 5s. 8d.
 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, Harry Aulsebrook Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Pactolus Sluicing 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 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."

H. A. BRUCE,

Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 190

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Dee Creek Gold-sluicing Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 5th April, 1897;
 6th May, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch; H. A. Bruce.

Nominal capital: £36,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £36,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,875.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £14,100.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £14,100.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 36,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 36,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on A shares, 2s. 6d. on B shares, 4s. 6d. on C shares.
 Amount called up per share: B shares 2s. 6d., C shares 4s. 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: 28.
 Present number of shareholders: 49.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year:
 52 oz. 1 dwt. 8 gr.; £201 8s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration:
 52 oz. 1 dwt. 8 gr.; £201 8s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,250 10s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,821 12s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £66 17s. 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): £45.

I, Harry Aulsebrook Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Dee Creek Gold-sluicing 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 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."

H. A. BRUCE,

Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 191

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hercules Quartz-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 28th October, 1889;
 22nd November, 1889.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Reefton; Thomas Hubert Lee.

Nominal capital: £24,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £24,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £9,250.
 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 7s. 8½d.
 Amount called up per share: 7s. 8½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during past year: 7,562.
 Number of forfeited shares sold during past year, and money received for same: 7,562; £5 2s. 11d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 70.
 Present number of shareholders: 63.
 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:
 3,405 oz. 4 dwt. 22 gr.; £14,328 16s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £698 13s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £20,143 3s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £3,600.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £3,600.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 6s. 8½d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £57 9s. 7d.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £51 3s. 7d.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Hercules Quartz-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."

T. HUBERT LEE,
Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 30th day of January, 1899,
before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 197

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kyeburn Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 29th September, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Arthur Cobden Peel Commin.
Nominal capital: £4,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,467 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: £500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.
Number of shares allotted: 4,000.
Amount paid per share: £1 on 3,500 shares (less calls in arrear).
Amount called up per share: £1.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 4; £32 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: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 73.
Number of men employed by company: 7.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 362 oz. 8 dwt. 23 gr.; £1,395 14s. 1d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: As above.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £5,040 10s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: As above.
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: £32 10s.
Amount of debts considered good: £32 10s.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £177 6s. 1d.

I, Arthur Cobden Peel Commin, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Kyeburn Gold-dredging 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 last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. C. P. COMMINS,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 31st day of January, 1899,
before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 198

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Sandhills Gold-dredging Company.
When formed, and date of registration: 22nd April, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Sydney Earland.
Nominal capital: £1,250.
Amount of capital subscribed: £1,250.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £812 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: 2,500.
Number of shares allotted: 2,500.
Amount paid per share: 6s. 6d.
Amount called up per share: 6s. 6d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

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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: 3.
Present number of shareholders: 3.
Number of men employed by company: 9.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 355 oz.; £1,369.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 864 oz.; £3,327.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,441.
Total expenditure since registration: £3,668 11s. 11d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £125.
Total amount of dividends paid: £125.
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): £150.

I, Sydney Earland, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the New Sandhills Gold-dredging Company, 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."

SYDNEY EARLAND,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 31st day of January, 1899,
before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 199

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sunlight Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 27th May, 1897; 10th July, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hospital Street, Greymouth; George Simpson Smith.
Nominal capital: £15,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £731 10s. 9d.
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: 42,000.
Amount paid per share: 4½d.
Amount called up per share: 4½d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £3 15s.
Number of shares forfeited: 1,500.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 1,500; £3 2s. 6d.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 20.
Present number of shareholders: 30.
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: £43 9s. 7d.
Total expenditure since registration: £709 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: £22 10s. 6d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £3 15s.
Amount of debts considered good: £3 15s.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £29 13s. 2d.

I, George Simpson Smith, of Greymouth, the Manager of the Sunlight 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 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."

G. S. SMITH,
Manager.

Declared at Greymouth, this 27th day of January, 1899,
before me—A. W. Yarrall, J.P. 200

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri King Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th December, 1895; 26th February, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Protected.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 93, Queen Street, Auckland; Charles John Stone.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,545.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,636 1s. 11½d. (being proceeds of sale of syndicate shares, option, and calls).
 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: 117,450.
 Amount paid per share: 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 91,788.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 25,377; £64 17s. 5½d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 48.
 Present number of shareholders: 55.
 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: —; £9 13s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £354 13s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,596 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: £11 5s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £28 4s. 11½d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Charles John Stone, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri King 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."

CHARLES JOHN STONE,

Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 24th day of January, 1899, before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 201

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Four-in-Hand Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th June, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.
 Nominal capital: £22,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £20,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,601 10s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £20,500; £2,601 10s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 82,000.
 Amount paid per share: 5s. on 82,000, nil on 8,000.
 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: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 10.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 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: £1,096 7s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,096 7s. 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: £26 19s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £1,500.
 Amount of debts considered good: £1,500.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £31 10s.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the New Four-in-Hand 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,

Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1899, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 202

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Consolidated Goldfields of New Zealand (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd February, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: T. Dundas Pillans, London; Captain Montagu Cradock, Reefton.
 Nominal capital: £225,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £225,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £225,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 225,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 225,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 225,000 contributing shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: On colonial register, nil.
 Present number of shareholders: On colonial register, 1.
 Number of men employed by company: 46.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 90 oz. 3 dwt. 17 gr.; £369 0s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,269 oz. 2 dwt.; £9,236 1s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £10,595 16s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £143,687 13s. 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: Current account (in the colony), nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £39 10s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £39 10s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,886 2s. 3d.

I, Montagu Cradock, of Reefton, the local Manager of the Consolidated Goldfields of New Zealand (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company in the colony 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."

MONTAGU CRADOCK,

Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 27th day of January, 1899, before me—Chas. Cohen, J.P. 194

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Progress Mines of New Zealand (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 8th December, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: T. Dundas Pillans, London; Captain Montagu Cradock, Reefton.
 Nominal capital: £250,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £250,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £50,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £200,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 250,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 250,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: On colonial register, nil.
 Present number of shareholders: On colonial register, 17.
 Number of men employed by company: 231.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 13,196 oz. 15 dwt. 22 gr.; £53,749 17s. 8d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 13,714 oz. 9 dwt.; £55,872 9s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £45,112 15s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £91,211 16s. 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: Current account (in the colony), 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, Montagu Cradock, of Reefton, the local Manager of the Progress Mines of New Zealand (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company in the colony 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."

MONTAGU CRADOCK,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 27th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Chas. Cohen, J.P. 195

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Humphrey's Hydraulic Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th May, 1896; 1st June, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; William Hindmarsh.
 Nominal capital: £150,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £145,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £50,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £95,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 145,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1 per share on 50,000 contributing shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: 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: 182.
 Number of men employed by company: 44.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 419 oz. 18 dwt. 3 gr.; —.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 701oz. 0dwt. 21 gr.; —.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,071 0s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £10,470 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, November 21, 1898: Current Account, Deposit Account, and Fixed Deposit Account, £44,220 19s. 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 Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the Humphrey's Hydraulic Sluicing 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."

W. HINDMARSH,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 28th day of January, 1899,
 before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 196

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Chatto Creek Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th August, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,152 17s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £600; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,000.
 Amount paid per share: 7s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share (and due): 7s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £122 2s. 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: 57.
 Present number of shareholders: 74.
 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: £192 10s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £192 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: £960 7s. 3d.
 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, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Chatto Creek 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 December, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 31st day of January, 1899,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 221

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Island Block Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd November, 1888.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Brown and Co., Managers.
 Nominal capital: £60,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £57,117.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £31,753 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £30,371.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £25,316.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000, of £1 each.
 Number of shares allotted: 57,117.

Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share (and due): £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 4; £47 5s.
 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: 150.
 Present number of shareholders: 202.
 Number of men employed by company: 15.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 591 oz. 15 dwt. 9 gr.; £2,112 16s.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: —; £44,702 16s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,543 2s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £37,270 2s. 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: 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, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, one of the Managers of the Island Block 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN.

Declared at Dunedin, this 2nd day of February, 1899, before me—Alex. Sligo, J.P. 222

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Inch Valley Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,623 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,800; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,800.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,400.
 Amount paid per share: 12s. 6d., less arrears plus paid in advance, £55 12s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share (and due): 12s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Seven shareholders owe £56 17s. 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: 33.
 Present number of shareholders: 39.
 Number of men employed by company: None.
 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: £1,858 17s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,858 17s. 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £15 2s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Inch Valley 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 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,

Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—Alex. Sligo, J.P. 228

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Addison's Long Tunnel Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th September, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Westport; A. W. Mills.
 Nominal capital: £1,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £867.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £167 3s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,500.
 Amount paid per share: Various amounts.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £6 5s.
 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: 22.
 Present number of shareholders: 23.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 119 oz. 14 dwt. 17 gr.; £473 0s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 119 oz. 14 dwt. 17 gr.; £473 0s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £608 0s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £608 0s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £27 3s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £4 19s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £6 5s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: Nil.

I, Arthur William Mills, of Westport, the Secretary of the Addison's Long Tunnel 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."

A. W. MILLS,

Secretary.

Declared at Westport, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—T. Bailie, J.P. 210

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Chatto Creek Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th August, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £5,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,150.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,639 12s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £600; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,750.
 Amount paid per share: 20s. on 3,492, 10s. on 60, 7s. 6d on 598—less arrears.
 Amount called up per share (and due): 20s. on 3,492, 10s. on 60, 7s. 6d. on 598.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 10; £106 12s. 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: 57.
 Present number of shareholders: 74.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 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: £4,043 18s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,236 8s. 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: .
 Amount of cash in hand: 9s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Chatto Creek Dredging 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 2nd day of February, 1899,
before me—John Angus, J.P. 224

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Venture Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 30th April, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Westport; A. W. Mills.
Nominal capital: £3,750.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,750.
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.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
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: 16.
Present number of shareholders: 19.
Number of men employed by company: 10.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 287 oz.; —.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,598 oz.; —.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,311 15s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £5,545 15s. 8d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £1,156 5s.
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): £254 12s. 2d.

I, Arthur William Mills, of Westport, the Secretary of the Venture 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."

A. W. MILLS,
Secretary.

Declared at Westport, this 31st day of January, 1899,
before me—J. Powell, J.P. 211

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Portsea Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 8th March, 1894; 14th March, 1894.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.
Nominal capital: £12,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £11,250.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £776 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: £4,500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
Number of shares allotted: 45,000.
Amount paid per share: 2s. 3½d.
Amount called up per share: 3½d.
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: 28.

Present number of shareholders: 118.
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: £770 3s. 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: 1d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Portsea 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1899,
before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 203

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Original Great Barrier Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 29th September, 1896; 23rd November, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.
Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,110 16s. 8d.
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: 71,000.
Amount paid per share: 2½d.
Amount called up per share: 2½d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £1 0s. 10d.
Number of shares forfeited: 37,650.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 28,350; £59 13s. 9d.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 38.
Present number of shareholders: 30.
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: £1,798 7s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £2,794 7s. 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 9s. 5d.
Amount of cash in hand: £2.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £1 0s. 10d.
Amount of debts considered good: £1 0s. 19d.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £5 4s. 3d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Original Great Barrier Gold- and Silver-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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1899,
before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 204

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Success Gold-mines (Limited) (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").

When formed, and date of registration of office of company in colony: 9th October, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Registered office, Shortland Street, Auckland; Francois Hodge, Godefroi D. Ingall.

Where the mine is situate: Coromandel Goldfield.

Nominal capital: £50,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £49,753 2s.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony:

Price paid to vendors of mine—

(a.) In fully paid-up shares: £29,500.

(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up:

(c.) In cash: £500.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 400,000.

Number of shares on Colonial Register: Nil.

Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): Nil.

Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Nil.

Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): Nil.

Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.

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

Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: Nil.

Number of men employed by company in colony: 16.

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: 620 oz. 13 dwt.; £1,779 13s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement: £2,598 17s.

Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £17,994 17s. 7d.

Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £422 4s. 10d.

Amount of cash in hand in colony: £422 4s. 10d.

Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: Nil.

Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: Nil.

I, Francois Hodge, of Coromandel, the Attorney of the Success Gold-mines (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 30th day of November, 1898, being date of 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."

FRANCIS HODGE,

Attorney.

Declared at Coromandel, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—T. W. Rhodes, J.P. 206

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bakery Flat Sluicing Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 10th September, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.

Nominal capital: £3,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,667 5s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £300; no cash.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £300.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.

Number of shares allotted: 3,000.

Amount paid per share: 16s. 6d.

Amount called up per share (and due): 16s. 6d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 3; £67.

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: 24.

Present number of shareholders: 27.

Number of men employed by company: 10.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 354 oz. 5 dwt. 6 gr.; £1,337 2s. 7d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 497 oz. 2 dwt. 21 gr.; £1,884 15s. 7d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,345 3s.

Total expenditure since registration: £3,294 13s. 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: £294 4s. 11d.

Amount of cash in hand: £9 14s. 6d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Bakery Flat 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 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,

Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 30th day of January, 1899, before me—Alex. Sligo, J.P. 218

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Point Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 31st August, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: Not yet.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.

Nominal capital: £6,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £5,400.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,217 10s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £600; nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £600.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,000.

Number of shares allotted: 6,000.

Amount paid per share: £1.

Amount called up per share (and due): £1 on 5,400.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 14; £182 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: 68.

Present number of shareholders: 80.

Number of men employed by company: 8.

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: £5,636 10s. 5d.

Total expenditure since registration: £5,800 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: £22 16s. 9d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Golden Point 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 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,

Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—Alex. Sligo, J.P. 219

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Skippers Sluicing Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 30th July, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.

Nominal capital: £3,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,372 16s.

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: 3,000.
 Amount paid per share: 16s.
 Amount called up per share (and due): 16s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £27 4s.
 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: 20.
 Present number of shareholders: 21.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 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: £1,351 9s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,009 11s. 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: 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, Alexander Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Skippers Sluicing 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 30th day of January, 1899,
 before me—Alex. Sliigo, J.P. 220

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Royal Oak of Hauraki (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: 28th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Registered office, Shortland Street, Auckland; Francis Hodge, Godefroi D. Ingall.
 Where mine is situate: Coromandel Goldfield.
 Nominal capital: £250,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £249,756 11s. 3d.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: .
 Price paid to vendors of mine—
 (a.) In fully paid-up shares: £50,000.
 (b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up:
 (c.) In cash: £25,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,000,000.
 Number of shares on Colonial Register: 5,841.
 Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): 5s.
 Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Fully paid.
 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: 4.
 Number of men employed by company in colony: 120.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: 5,005 oz.; £12,591 15s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: 12,994 oz.; £32,747 5s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement: £12,760 19s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £42,676 17s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Were sent direct from London; did not pass through colonial books.
 Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £1,298 10s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand in colony: £1,298 10s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: Nil.
 Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: Nil.

I, Francis Hodge, of Coromandel, the Attorney of the Royal Oak of Hauraki (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of October,

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."

FRANCIS HODGE,
 Attorney.

Declared at Coromandel, this 31st day of January, 1899,
 before me—T. W. Rhodes, J.P. 207

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Hauraki Gold Properties (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: 26th July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Registered office, Shortland Street, Auckland; Francis Hodge, Godefroi D. Ingall.
 Where mine is situate: Coromandel Goldfield.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £78,111 13s. 4d.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: .
 Price paid to vendors of mine—
 (a.) In fully paid-up shares: £30,000.
 (b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £ paid up:
 (c.) In cash: £25,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 400,000.
 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): None.
 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: 20.
 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: £2,485 13s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £13,590 6s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £74 17s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand in colony: £74 17s. 5d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: Nil.
 Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: Nil.

I, Francis Hodge, of Coromandel, the Attorney of the New Hauraki Gold Properties (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of August, 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."

FRANCIS HODGE,
 Attorney.

Declared at Coromandel, this 31st day of January, 1899,
 before me—T. W. Rhodes, J.P. 208

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Scotty's Gold-mine (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: 30th August, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Registered office, Shortland Street, Auckland; Francis Hodge, Godefroi D. Ingall.
 Where mine is situate: Coromandel Goldfield.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £75,043 1s. 3d.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: .
 Price paid to vendors of mine—
 (a.) In fully paid-up shares: (Reconstruction.)
 (b.) In partly paid-up shares credited as £ paid up: (Reconstruction.)
 (c.) In cash: (Reconstruction.)
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 400,000.
 Number of shares on Colonial Register: 5,693.
 Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): 4s. 6d.

Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): 4s. 6d., issued as 4s. paid up.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): None.
 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: 1.
 Number of men employed by company in colony: 34.
 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: £3,686 16s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £4,196 11s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £825 4s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand in colony: £825 4s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company in colony:
 Amount of such debts considered good:
 Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony:

I, Francis Hodge, of Coromandel, the Attorney of the Scotty's Gold-mine (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of October, 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."

FRANCIS HODGE,

Attorney.

Declared at Coromandel, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—T. W. Rhodes, J.P. 209

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Shamrock Lead Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th September, 1892.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Christchurch; David Leslie, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,221 18s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £30.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £5,430.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £3 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 725.
 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: 155.
 Number of men employed by company: 13.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 318 oz. 12 dwt. 6 gr.; £1,258 11s.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,549 oz. 17 dwt. 20 gr.; £10,072 5s. 6d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,411 2s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £19,014 1s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: 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): £1,886 4s. 11d.

I, David Leslie, of Christchurch, the Secretary of the Shamrock Lead Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

DAVID LESLIE,

Secretary.

Declared at Christchurch, this 7th day of February, 1899, before me—C. M. Gray, J.P. 225

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waiwhero Sluicing Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September, 1897; 28th September, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch; H. A. Bruce.
 Nominal capital: £31,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £31,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £9,321.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £16,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £16,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 31,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 31,000.
 Amount paid per share: 12s. 6d. on B shares, and £1 on A shares.
 Amount called up per share: 12s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 6; £54.
 Number of shares forfeited: 100.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 63.
 Present number of shareholders: 88.
 Number of men employed by company: 38.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 144 oz. 16 dwt. 12 gr.; £579 8s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 144 oz. 16 dwt. 12 gr.; £579 8s. 6d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £7,081 7s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,676 13s. 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: £223 15s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £100.
 Amount of debts considered good: £50.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £200.

I, Harry A. Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Waiwhero Sluicing 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 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."

H. A. BRUCE,

Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 6th day of February, 1899, before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 226

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Glenrock Consolidated (Limited).
 Where formed, and date of registration: London; 1st July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Macetown; Walter J. Stanford.
 Nominal capital: £225,000 10s., in 450,007 shares of 10s. each.
 Amount of capital subscribed: 2s. per share.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Shares issued, 8s.; credited, 2s.; liability, £45,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): No vendors' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 450,007 shares of 10s. each.
 Number of shares allotted: All.
 Amount paid per share: 10s.
 Amount called up per share: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; about £6,000.
 Number of shares forfeited: 3,105.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 3,105, now held by company.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: About 2,000.
 Present number of shareholders: 1,600.
 Number of men employed by company: 40.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 2,787 oz. 4 dwt. 7 gr. mill gold, and 142 oz. 10 dwt. 12 gr. cyanide gold; value—mill gold, £11,216; cyanide gold, £477 18s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: Mill gold, 6,228 oz. 18 dwt. 2 gr.; value, £25,005; cyanide gold, 254 oz.; value, £779 12s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £11,289 10s., and remitted to London, £1,800.
 Total expenditure since registration: £25,807 13s. 6d., and total remitted to London, £4,150.
 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: £3 1s. 9d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £35 17s. 3d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £35 17s. 3d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £90 9s. 1d.

I, Walter J. Stanford, of Macetown, the Manager of the Glenrock Consolidated (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that, to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief, this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 1st day of January, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."
 WALTER J. STANFORD,
 Manager.

Declared at Macetown, this 30th day of January, 1899, before me—W. T. Smith, J.P. 229

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Te Puke Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 8th November, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Tauranga; John H. Griffiths.
 Nominal capital: £2,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,295.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £669 6s. 11d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £30,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 81,800.
 Amount paid per share: 3½d.
 Amount called up per share: 3½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 30,350; £63 2s. 7d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 4,550.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 84.
 Present number of shareholders: 96.
 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: £445 17s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £615 2s. 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: £6 10s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £4 10s. 8d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £35 (rent).

I, John Hollings Griffiths, of Tauranga, the Manager of the Te Puke 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."
 JNO. H. GRIFFITHS, Manager.

Declared at Tauranga, this 31st day of January, 1899, before me—Thos. Ed. Price, J.P. 227

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the No. 2 Big River Gold-mining Company as a limited company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be the No. 2 Big River Gold-mining Company (Limited).
2. The place of intended operations is on Section 45, Block X., Waitahu Survey District.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated in Smith Street, Reefton.
4. The nominal capital of the company is thirteen thousand five hundred pounds, divided into fifty-four thousand shares of five shillings each.
5. The number of shares subscribed for is fifty-four thousand, being not less than two-thirds of the entire shares in the company.

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6. The number of paid-up shares is nil.
7. The amount already paid up is nil.
8. The name of the Manager is Bernard Patrick McMahon, of Reefton, Mining Agent.
9. The names, and addresses, and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

	No. of Shares.
Wilson, James S., Reefton, Hotelkeeper ..	10,250
Alexander, D. H., Cronadun, Storeman ..	4,250
Malloy, T. J., Reefton, Boot Importer ..	2,250
McMahon, B. P., Reefton, Mining Agent ..	3,000
McCloy, A., Reefton, Miner ..	750
Dunn, William, Reefton, Builder ..	1,000
Cullen, Michael, Reefton, Miner ..	8,313
Enright, M., Reefton, Hotelkeeper ..	3,000
Fagan, Thomas, Reefton, Miner ..	3,000
Monteith, Stewart, Reefton, Brewer ..	8,750
Paine, Edward, Reefton, Bushman ..	750
Dunphy, R., Reefton, Hotelkeeper ..	750
Scarlett, James, Reefton, Hotelkeeper ..	500
Lee, T. Hubert, Reefton, Mining Agent ..	750
Cavell, Thomas, Reefton, Confectioner ..	1,000
McTaggart, John, Reefton, Carpenter ..	250
McMahon, B. P., Reefton, Mining Agent (in trust for absent shareholders) ..	5,437
Total	54,000

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1899.

B. P. McMAHON,
 Manager.

Witness to signature—R. W. J. McNeill, Mining Agent, Reefton.

I, Bernard Patrick McMahon, of Reefton, Mining Agent, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

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

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

B. P. McMAHON.

Taken before me, at Reefton, this 3rd day of February, 1899—Chas. Cohen, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand. 233

HAURAKI FREEHOLDS (LIMITED).

SALE OF RESERVE SHARES.

NOTICE is hereby given that, by resolution of the board of directors of the above company, 17,190 shares held in trust for the company are now offered to the shareholders at the price of 5s. each in the proportion to the number of shares now held by the shareholders. Such shares will be open to the shareholders for the space of fourteen days after the publication of this notice in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Dated at Auckland, this 2nd day of February, 1899.
 By order of the Board.

J. H. HARRISON,
 Legal Manager.

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Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

Application 758. ELIZABETH WILSON, of New Plymouth, Married Woman; MARION HALES, of Strahan, Tasmania, Married Woman; and LOUISA AGNES JANE CHILMAN, of Hokitika, Married Woman.—Part of Section No. 90, Fitzroy District, area 43 acres 2 roods 27½ perches, more or less, and part of closed Road No. 17, Fitzroy District, area 3 roods 31 perches, more or less. Occupied by one George Knight.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office (Plan 1260).
 Dated this 3rd day of February, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. I. STANFORD,
 District Land Registrar.

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

8406. FREDERICK SELWYN.—2 acres, part of Rural Section 143, Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8466. LEWIS WILLOUGHBY TOSSWILL.—27 perches, part of Rural Section 168, Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8467. THOMAS INGHAM JOYNT.—1 acre 1 rood, Lot 101, Plan 971, part of Rural Section 188, Christchurch Survey District. Partly occupied by Thomas Walter Stringer and partly unoccupied.

8468. EDMUND WYNDHAM HEATHCOTE GRAY.—200 acres, Rural Section 8350, Ophi Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8471. BERNARD VOLCKMAN.—1 rood, part of Rural Section 1947, Oxford Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8472. WILLIAM CHRYSSTALL.—1 rood, Lot 3, Plan 910, part of Lot 101 of the Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 4th day of February, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch. G. G. BRIDGES, District Land Registrar.

A PPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of MARTIN KENNEDY for Section 1466, Greymouth Survey District, containing 181 acres 1 rood, comprised in Crown grant, Vol. vi., folio 67, and satisfactory evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said Crown grant, I hereby give notice that I shall issue a provisional certificate of title as requested at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the Gazette containing this notice, unless caveat in the meantime be lodged forbidding the same.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Hokitika, this 31st day of January, 1899. HENRY HOWORTH, Deputy District Land Registrar.

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

THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE.—6 acres 3 roods 2 perches, being parts of Sections 5 and 23, Block V., Jacob's River Hundred. Occupied by John Chute Ellis. No. 2727.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 31st day of January, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill. F. G. MORGAN, District Land Registrar.

Private Advertisements.

I ROBT. SYDNEY McMUNN, M.D., University Manitoba, 1897, Canada, now residing in Wellington, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 13th March next to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar-General.

ROBT. SYDNEY McMUNN, M.D.
Dated at Wellington, 7th February, 1899. 216

MISSING FRIENDS.

CAROLINE HICKS, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex, England, Spinster, deceased.—Next-of-kin please furnish proofs of identity to Murray and Magarey, Solicitors, Eagle Chambers, Adelaide, South Australia. 189

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership lately subsisting between the undersigned, GEORGE EDWIN ALDERTON and EDGAR HERBERT WYATT, carrying on business as printers at Whangarei under the style or firm of "Alderton and Wyatt," has been dissolved by mutual consent as from the 31st day of December, 1898. All debts due to and owing by the late firm will be received and paid by the said Edgar Herbert Wyatt, who will continue to carry on the said business. As witness our hands, this 18th day of January, 1899.

G. E. ALDERTON,
EDGAR HERBERT WYATT.
Witness to signatures—T. H. Steadman, Solicitor, Whangarei. 217

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND, WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882"; and in the matter of the affidavit and application of Reginald Edward Beckett, the Secretary of the South Makirikiri Steam Threshing Company (Limited), for a declaration of dissolution of such company.

I HEREBY notify that, no objection to such application having been made and lodged with me as by the said Act required, I now declare such company to be dissolved. Dated at Wanganui, this 7th day of February, 1899.

CHAS. C. KETTLE, Registrar.
C. G. Esam, Marton, Applicant's Solicitor. 232

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED), (MARINE).

I HEREBY give notice that the above company has relinquished its New Zealand business, as from the 1st January, 1899, in favour of the Indemnity Mutual Marine Assurance Company (Limited), London.

The New Zealand affairs of the Straits Insurance Company are now being wound up at the various agencies throughout the colony.

H. D. STRONACH,
Manager for New Zealand.

INDEMNITY MUTUAL MARINE ASSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

Established 1824.

Head Office: No. 1, Threadneedle Street, London.

Subscribed Capital £1,005,000
Amount paid up £201,000
Reserve Fund £329,000

I HEREBY give notice that the above company has taken over, as from the 1st January, 1899, the New Zealand business of the Straits Insurance Company (Limited). The Agents of the Straits Insurance Company (Limited) throughout the colony have now authority to transact business for the Indemnity Mutual Company.

H. D. STRONACH,
Manager for New Zealand, the Indemnity Mutual Marine Assurance Company (Limited). 187

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE Partnership for some time existing between ALEXANDER BROWN and JAMES RATTRAY, under the style of "A. Brown and Co.," as Sheep-farmers, at Wairuna Estate, near Waipahi, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

ALEXANDER BROWN,
JAMES RATTRAY.
Dunedin, 31st January, 1899. 231

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