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Land declared to be Crown Land subject to "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894."

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.
A P R O C L A M A T I O N .

WHEREAS the land described in the Schedule hereto has been acquired under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), and the purchase thereof has been concluded as by the said Act is provided: And whereas it is enacted by the said Act that all land so acquired shall be proclaimed as Crown land subject to the provisions of the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority conferred by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall, on the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, be and be deemed to be Crown land subject to the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894."

SCHEDULE.

WILLOWS SETTLEMENT.

ALL that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 775 acres 2 roods, more or less, being the Kaiparo No. 2 Block, the Tara-o-paea Nos. 1 and 2 Blocks, the Te Ahimanawa Nos. 1, 2, and 3 Blocks, the Te Kate Block, the Te Apeka Block, the Pokaiongawaka Block, the Ngawaierua Block, a portion of the Kaiparo Block, Subdivision No. 3 of the Matawhero No. 1 Block, a portion of the Auahituroa No. 10 Block, and part of Subdivision No. 1 of Auahituroa No. 10 Block; situated in Blocks II., V., and VI., Turanganui Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a road and the Awapuni Block: towards the south-east by lines bearing 251° 57', 1373.9 links; 236° 43', 1833 links; 217° 28', 1179 links; by the Kaiparo Block (Subdivision No. 3); by lines bearing 217° 28', 681 links; 211° 6', 1288.2 links; 211° 26', 299.2 links; 205° 44', 215.3 links; by the Awapuni Lagoon; by a line bearing 307° 26', 320 links; again by the Awapuni Lagoon; by lines bearing 209° 47', 2596.5 links; again by the Awapuni Lagoon; by lines bearing 323° 49', 220 links; 287° 3', 372.1 links; and again by the Awapuni Lagoon: towards the south-west generally by the Pokaiongawaka No. 1 Block; by a line bearing 34° 3', 1002 links; by the western boundaries of the Ahimanawa Nos. 1, 2, and 3 Blocks, and of the Tara-o-paea Nos. 1 and 2 Blocks, and by the northern boundary of the last-named block; by the old bank of the Waipaoa River; by lines bearing 278° 27', 312 links; 206° 5', 1169 links; by the eastern boundary-lines of Subdivision No. 1 of Auahituroa No. 10 Block, by a line bearing 216° 7', 2087 links: and towards the north-

west generally by the Waipaoa River, by the Taumata-o-te-Rangi Nos. 1 and 2 Blocks, and a road.

As the above area is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 19204, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with green.

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 Tauranga, this twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

G O D S A V E T H E Q U E E N !

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(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.
A P R O C L A M A T I O N .

WHEREAS the land described in the Schedule hereto has been acquired under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), and the purchase thereof has been concluded as by the said Act is provided: And whereas it is enacted by the said Act that all land so acquired shall be proclaimed as Crown land subject to the provisions of the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority conferred by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall, on the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, be and be deemed to be Crown land subject to the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894."

SCHEDULE.

TAMAI SETTLEMENT.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 40 acres 3 roods 34 perches, more or less, situated in Blocks XII. and XVI., Christchurch Survey District, and being part of Rural Section No. 101. Bounded towards the north-west by Rural Section No. 99, 3425 links;

towards the north-east by a public drain, 1250 links; towards the south-east by Smith's Road, 2925 links; and towards the south-west generally by a right line, 370 links, and by road-lines, 500 links and 880 links respectively: as the said area is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 19206, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Amended Description of Otago Mining District.

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Mining Act, 1898" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the Proclamation constituting the Otago Mining District, published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 28, of the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in lieu thereof do hereby proclaim and declare that the portion of the colony particularly described in the Schedule hereto shall be the Mining District of Otago under the said Act, with the boundaries in the said Schedule mentioned; and I do hereby further proclaim and declare that this Proclamation shall take effect as from the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO MINING DISTRICT.

Amended Boundaries.

ALL that area in the Otago Land District bounded towards the north by the Canterbury Land District from Big Bay, on the west coast, to a point due north of Mount St. Bathans; towards the east by a straight line from that mountain; thence again towards the north by a straight line due east to the summit of the Hawkdun Mountains; towards the north-east by the summit of the said Hawkdun Mountains to Mount Ida; thence towards the north-west by a straight line to Kurow Mountain; thence by a straight line to the source of the Little Awakino Stream, and by that stream to the Waitaki River; again towards the north-east by the Waitaki River to the western boundary of the area formerly known as Awamoko Hundred; thence again towards the east by the said area formerly known as Awamoko Hundred to the area formerly known as Kakanui Hundred; towards the south and again towards the east by the said area formerly known as Kakanui Hundred to its south-western corner; again towards the south by a line due west to a point due north of Scout Hill; thence again towards the east by a straight line through Scout Hill to a point due west of Trig. Station D (Mount Difficulty), Kauroo Survey District; thence again towards the north by a straight line through the said Trig. Station D to a point due north of the north-eastern corner of Section No. 2, Block VI., Kauroo Survey District aforesaid; again towards the east by a straight line to the said corner; again towards the south and east by Section No. 2 aforesaid to Section No. 7 of the said Block VI.; thence again towards the south and west, and again towards the south and east, by the said Section No. 7 to Section No. 5, Block XV., Otepopo Survey District; thence again towards the east, north-east, north-west, and south-west by the said Section No. 5 to Section No. 7 aforesaid; thence again towards the north by Section No. 7 aforesaid to Section No. 9, Block XV., Otepopo Survey District; thence again towards the east and north by the said Section No. 9 to Section No. 2 of the said Block XV.; thence again towards the east and north by the said Section No. 2 to its south-eastern corner; thence again towards the east by Sections Nos. 1, 8, 7, 6, and 3 of Block XV. aforesaid to Section No. 4; again towards the south and east by the said Section No. 4 to a point due east of Trig. Station P, Otepopo Survey District; thence again towards the south by a straight line through the said Trig. Station P to the summit of the Kakanui Mountains; thence again towards the north-east

by the summit of the Kakanui Mountains to Run No. 109; thence again towards the north-west by Run No. 217B to Run No. 209; thence again towards the east generally by the said Run No. 209 and Run No. 11 to a stream forming the south-eastern boundary of Run No. 109 aforesaid; thence towards the south-east by that stream to the south branch of the Waianakarua River; thence again towards the south-west by the south branch of the Waianakarua River aforesaid to a point in line with the north-west boundary-line of the Moeraki Hundred; thence again towards the south-east by a straight line to and thence by the said Moeraki Hundred to the Waihemo or Shag River; thence again towards the north-east by the left bank of the said Waihemo or Shag River to a point in line with the north-western boundary-line of the area formerly known as Hawksbury Hundred; thence again towards the south-east by a straight line across the Waihemo or Shag River aforesaid, and by the said area formerly known as Hawksbury Hundred, to the south-western corner of Section No. 11, Block I., Dunback Survey District; thence again towards the north by the said Section No. 11 and Section No. 6 of the said Block I.; again towards the east by the Moeraki Survey District; again towards the south by Sections Nos. 3, 4, and 5 of Block I. aforesaid to the north-western corner of the last-mentioned section; thence again towards the south-east by the area formerly known as Hawksbury Hundred aforesaid to the north branch of the Waikouaiti River; thence by the said north branch and the south branch of the Waikouaiti River to a point in line with the northern boundary-line of Section No. 4, Block IX., Waikouaiti Survey District; thence by a right line to the north-western corner of said Section No. 4; thence by that section, by Sections Nos. 2 and 3, said Block IX., and Sections Nos. 2, 4, and 5, Block XI., to the south-western corner of the last-mentioned section; thence again towards the south by a right line through Trig. Station U, Waikouaiti Survey District, to the right bank of the Silverstream; thence again towards the south-east by the said Silverstream to the area formerly known as the East Taieri Hundred; thence again towards the south by the said area formerly known as the East Taieri Hundred to Block II., Dunedin and East Taieri Survey District; thence again towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 9, 8, 7, and 6, Block III., Dunedin and East Taieri Survey District, and a road; thence again towards the south-west by Section No. 38, a road, 1 of 28, 2 of 28, 27, 26, a road, and Section No. 5, and a road, all of Block II. aforesaid, and by Sections Nos. 21, 20, 2 of 18, and 17, Block I., Dunedin and East Taieri Survey District, to the Taieri River; thence again towards the south-east by the left bank of that river to the road which forms the north-eastern boundaries of River Sections Nos. 49, 48, 47, and 46; thence again towards the north-east generally by that road and the road forming the north-eastern boundaries of River Sections Nos. 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 40, 39, and 38; by the road forming the north-western boundaries of River Sections Nos. 37 and 36, the road forming the north-eastern boundaries of River Sections Nos. 36, 35, 34, and 33; by the road forming the north-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 16, 15, 14, and 13, Block XX., Taieri Survey District; by Sections Nos. 12 and 2 of said Block XX., across the railway-line, and by Section No. 11, Irregular Block; by a road forming the south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 11 and 12, Irregular Block; by Section No. 41, Irregular Block, and by Block VIII., Dunedin and East Taieri Survey District, to the sea; thence again towards the south-east by the sea to a point in line with the north-eastern side of the road forming the south-western boundary of Section No. 9, Block XIV., Coast Survey District; thence again towards the south-west generally by a right line to the southernmost corner of Section No. 9 of the said Block XIV.; thence by the said road to Block IV., Kaitangata Survey District; thence by Block IV., Kaitangata Survey District, to the road forming the eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 1 of 20 and 2 of 20; thence by that road to a point in line with the north-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 2 of 20; thence by a right line to the easternmost corner of the said Section No. 2 of 20; thence by Sections Nos. 2 of 20, 1 of 20, 21, and 17, Block IV. aforesaid; by the road forming the south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 10 and 9, Block I.; thence by that road to a point in line with the north-eastern boundary-line of the last-mentioned section; thence by a right line to the easternmost corner of Section No. 9 aforesaid; thence by Sections Nos. 9, 8, 5, and 18, Block I. aforesaid, to the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 2 of 20, said Block I., Kaitangata Survey District; thence by that road and by part of the road forming the north-eastern boundary of the last-mentioned section; by Sections Nos. 7, 8, and 9, Block XXVIII., Tokomairiro Survey District; by a road, and Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 11, 10, 9, and 8, Block XXXI., Tokomairiro Survey District; by a road and Sections Nos. 12 and 1, Block XXXIV.; by a road and Sections Nos. 2 of 12, a road, 1 of 12 and 1, Block XXXIII.; by a closed road and Sections Nos. 12 and 1, Block XL.; and by Block XLIII., all of Tokomairiro Survey District; again towards the south-east by the

said Block XLIII.; again towards the south-west by Block XLV.; again towards the south-east by the said Block XLV.; again towards the south-west by the Hillend Survey District, to the south-western corner of Section No. 6, Block LIII., Tokomairiro Survey District; thence again towards the south-west by Section No. 16, Block IX., to its northernmost corner; thence again towards the south-east by Block XIII., Hillend Survey District, to the northernmost corner of Section No. 5 of that block; thence again towards the west and north-west by the Waitahuna East Survey District; again towards the south-west by Block IX., Waitahuna East Survey District, Block VIII., Waitahuna West Survey District, Sections Nos. 20 and 19, Block VII., Waitahuna West Survey District, and by Block IX. of the last-mentioned survey district to the northernmost corner of Section No. 15 of that block; thence again towards the south and south-east by Sections Nos. 15, a road, 17, 14, 13, a road, 18, and 11, Block IX., Waitahuna West Survey District, and Sections Nos. 16, 17, and 18, Block XI., Waitahuna West Survey District, to a point in line with the north-eastern boundary of Section No. 12 of the said Block XI.; thence again towards the south-west by the said Section No. 12 to Crookburn; thence again towards the south-east by Crookburn to the Clutha River; thence again towards the west by the said Clutha River to a point in line with the northern boundary-line of Section No. 26, Block II., Pomahaka Survey District; thence again towards the south and west generally by the Pomahaka Survey District to the Pomahaka River; thence again towards the south-east by a line across the said Pomahaka River, and by that line continued parallel to that river, and 10 chains distant from the south bank thereof, until it intersects the left bank of the Waipahi River; thence again towards the east and south by the said Waipahi River to the railway-crossing on Block X., Waipahi Survey District; thence by the Southern Trunk line of railway to the Borough of Gore, as described in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 63, of the 8th November, 1890; thence by that borough to the Mataura River; again towards the east by the left bank of the Mataura River; again towards the south by the ocean; again towards the west by the right bank of the said Mataura River to the northern boundary-line of the Hokonui Survey District; thence again towards the south by the Hokonui Survey District to the Oreti River; and thence again towards the south and west by the Oreti River to the north-western boundary-line of Eyre Survey District; thence towards the north-west by that boundary-line to Eyre Peak; thence again towards the south and west generally by the summit of the western watershed of the Wakatipu Lake to Round Peak; thence again towards the south by a straight line to Moffat Peak; thence again by a straight line to Mount Eglinton, and by the latter line produced to Te Anau Lake; thence again towards the east generally by the eastern shore of the said Te Anau Lake, by the left bank of the Waiau River, by the eastern shore of the Manapouri Lake, and again by the left bank of the said Waiau River to the Mararoa River; thence by the left bank of the Mararoa River to Section No. 21, Takitimo District; thence by that section, and the road forming the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 49, 42A, 41, 43, 47, and 48; thence by Sections Nos. 48, 47, 43, 41, 42A, 49, 42, 53, 52, 44, 45, and 46, Takitimo District, to the south-eastern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence by the eastern boundary of Run No. 396 to Whare Creek; thence by the left bank of that creek to the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 56, Education Reserve; thence by the eastern boundary of that section and the eastern boundaries of Runs Nos. 173A and 173C to the Waioce Creek; thence by the left bank of that creek to the south-western boundary-line of Run No. 415B; thence by the said Run No. 415B to the Wairaki River; thence by the right bank of that river to the Waiau River; thence again by the left bank of Waiau River to the mouth of the Orawia Stream, in the Waiau Survey District; thence again towards the north-west by the said Orawia Stream to a point in line with the south-western boundary of Section No. 105, Waiau Survey District; thence again towards the north-east and north-west generally by a straight line to the said Section No. 105, and thence by that section and Sections Nos. 82 and 7, Waiau Survey District, to the Aparima Hundred; thence again towards the east by the said Aparima Hundred to Ferdunlaw; thence again towards the north-east by a straight line to the source of the eastern branch of the Purapurakino Stream; thence by that branch and the Purapurakino Stream and Jacob's River to the ocean; thence again towards the south-west and north-west generally by the ocean (inclusive of adjacent islands) to Big Bay aforesaid, the place of commencement: exclusive of the Borough of Roxburgh.

Also all that area in the Land Districts of Otago and Southland bounded towards the north generally by a line parallel to and one mile distant from high-water mark, from Bluff Harbour to Catlin's River; towards the north-east by the said Catlin's River; towards the south generally by the

ocean; and towards the west by Bluff Harbour aforesaid: exclusive of the Township of Fortrose.

Also all that area known as Campbelltown Goldfield, in the Southland Land District, comprised between low water and one chain above high-water mark of the ocean, from Section No. 1, Block V., Campbelltown Hundred, to Steep Head, and round to Pasturage Reserve; thence (said strip being lessened in width to distance between high- and low-water marks) to the southern boundary of the said reserve; starting again at the original width, and continuing along the coast to Pilot-station Reserve, at Stirling's Point, Bluff Harbour.

Also all that parcel of land in the Southland Land District bounded on the north by a line running due east from the south-east corner of Section No. 311, Hokonui District, until it strikes the south-west boundary of Section No. 423, Hokonui District; towards the north-east and north-west by said Section No. 423; again towards the north by a continuation of the line before described running due east from the south-east corner of said Section No. 311 until it strikes the south-west boundary of Section No. 819, Hokonui District; again towards the north-east by said Section No. 819 and a road-line; towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 773, 774, 779, 780, 786, and 787, Hokonui District; and towards the south-west generally by Sections Nos. 134 and 494, Hokonui District, and the Waimumu Stream to the south-west corner of Section No. 311 aforesaid.

Also all that parcel of land in the Southland Land District bounded towards the west by Sections Nos. 6 and 2, Block VII., Lindhurst District; towards the north generally by Sections Nos. 50, 49, and 48 of Block V., Lindhurst District; towards the south-east by a road-line; towards the south-west by a road-line; and again towards the south-east by Section No. 11 of Block V. aforesaid.

Also all that parcel of land in the Southland Land District bounded towards the west by Section No. 10, Block V., Lindhurst District; towards the north by Section No. 12 of said Block V.; towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 12, 18, 19, 21, 29, and 30 of said Block V.; again towards the north by Section No. 32 of said Block V.; and towards the south-east and north-east by a road-line; towards the east by Block XXVI., Lindhurst Hundred; towards the south by Section No. 6 of Block V. aforesaid; and again towards the north-west and south-east by a road-line.

Also the additional areas comprised within the following Government reserves: That portion of the Stanley Township lying to the west of Mokomoko Inlet; the Pilot-station Reserve at Steep Head; and Section No. 1, Block IV., Campbelltown Hundred.

Also all the area known as the Stewart Island Goldfield, in the Southland Land District, being all that portion of Stewart Island north of latitude 46° 50'.

Also all that area in the Canterbury Land District bounded towards the north-west generally by the Rakaia River, the Little Rakaia River, and the Taumutu and Rakaia Road, to the road forming the north-western boundary of Allotment No. 22 of Native Reserve No. 878, Block VII., Southbridge Survey District; thence by that road to the southern boundary-line of the said Allotment No. 22; thence by the said southern boundary-line or the outlet to Lake Ellesmere; and towards the south-east generally by low-water mark of the ocean.

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

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ran-

furly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.
KAITAO BLOCK.

Area.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.
Acres.			
398	2	XV.	Kaitarau.
202	2	I.	MountFyffe.
215	10	II.	"
430	2	"	"
383	3	"	"
394	4	"	"
440	5	"	"
174	6	"	"
139	7	"	"
138	8	"	"
153	9	"	"
146	1	IV.	"
147	3	"	"
195	4	"	"
282	5	"	"
298	6	"	"
215	1	I.	"
103	57	V.	"
248	58	"	"
	4	I.	"
1,557	1	II.	"
	3	I.	"
3,184	11	II.	"

As the same are delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 38513, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Declaring Roads through Paparangi Settlement to be County Roads.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," 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 order that the roads known as the roads through Paparangi Settlement, described in the Schedule below, and which were made by the Governor under the powers contained in the said Act, and have hitherto been Government roads, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, become county roads.

SCHEDULE.

THAT part of Aurora Road, in the Wellington Land District, lying within the Paparangi Settlement, extending from the southern boundary of Section No. 19A to the southern boundary of Section No. 37; as the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 19194, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured brown.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Exchange of a Reserve in Wellington for other Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto was permanently set apart as a gravel reserve: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to exchange the said land for that described in the second column of the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and the third section of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1889," doth hereby declare that the said reserve described in the first column of the Schedule hereto may be exchanged for the land described in the second column of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description of Reserve intended to be exchanged.	Description of Land to be obtained in Exchange therefor.
All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being Section No. 184, Block XIV., Mangahao Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west and north-east by Section No. 99; towards the south-east by the Main Coach Road; and towards the south-west by Section No. 102 and the Hukanui-Hawera Road.	All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being Section No. 99A (originally portion of Section No. 99), Block XIV., Mangahao Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road, 1 chain wide; towards the south-east by Section No. 99; towards the south-west by Section No. 99; and towards the north-west by Section No. 99.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being part of Section No. 47, Makairo Village Settlement. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 44; towards the north-east by school reserve, Crown land, and library reserve; towards the south-east by the Makairo Road; and towards the south-west by Section No. 46: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS by the twelfth section of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred, save as is therein mentioned, to any person or persons, for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order, and that every such delegation may from time to time in like manner be altered or revoked: And whereas, pursuant to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," by an Order in Council of even date herewith, the land described in the Schedule thereto, situate in the Wellington Land District, and being part of Section No. 47, Makairo Village Settlement, is declared to be brought under the operation of and to be subject to the provisions of the said "Public Domains Act, 1881":

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

SAMUEL KENNING STULE TIPPING,
CARL GÖTHRICK ENGSTROM,
JAMES TIPPING,
OLE SEVERIN CHRISTIANSEN, and
RICHARD CHARLES ELLINGHAM

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Ports and Cool-stores under "The Dairy Industry Act, 1898."—Notice No. 538.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

Present:

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by section twenty-five of "The Dairy Industry 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 order and declare the several ports mentioned in the Schedule hereto to be ports for the shipment of dairy produce, and the buildings described hereunder to be cool-stores and stores for the purposes of the said Act; 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*.

SCHEDULE.

PORTS FOR THE SHIPMENT OF DAIRY PRODUCE.

AUCKLAND, Waitara, New Plymouth, Wellington, Lyttelton, Port Chalmers, Dunedin, Bluff.

BUILDINGS FOR THE STORAGE, COOLING, OR FREEZING OF DAIRY PRODUCE PRIOR TO EXPORT—

To UNITED KINGDOM.

For Butter only.

The Auckland Freezing Company's Cold-store, Auckland.
The Wellington Meat Export Company's Freezing-works, Wellington.

For Cheese only.

The Wellington Harbour Board's Store, Wellington.

For both Butter and Cheese.

The Waitara Freezing Company's Works, Waitara.
The Taranaki Freezing-works, Moturoa, New Plymouth.
The Lyttelton Harbour Board's Cold-store, Lyttelton.
The Otago Dock Trust's Cold-store, Port Chalmers.
The Southland Frozen Meat and Produce Export Company's Store, Bluff.

To THE AUSTRALIAN COLONIES AND FIJI.

Butter and Cheese.

The Auckland Freezing Company's Store, Auckland.
The Taranaki Freezing-works, Moturoa, New Plymouth.
The Wellington Harbour Board's Store, Wellington.
The Lyttelton Harbour Board's No. 2 Brick Shed, Lyttelton.
Messrs. J. Duthie and Co.'s Store, Bond Street, Dunedin.
Messrs. Nichol Bros.' No. 1 Store, Bluff.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Amending Regulations under "The Government Railway Department Classification Act, 1896."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred upon him by "The Government Railways Department Classification Act, 1896," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, did, on the twentieth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, for the purpose of the aforesaid Act, make certain regulations (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations"), that were gazetted on the twenty-third idem: And whereas it is expedient to amend those regulations, and to make further regulations for the purposes of the aforesaid Act: Now, therefore, in further exercise of the aforesaid powers, and of all other powers enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor, acting with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby, for the purposes of the aforesaid Act, make the additional regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

1. No person shall become a member if two or more persons belonging to his family are already members; and clause 3 of the principal regulations is hereby modified accordingly.

2. In the case of apprentices in the second division, the age of the applicant at the time of his becoming a member shall not exceed sixteen years; and clause 9 of the principal regulations is hereby modified accordingly.

3. Persons may be temporarily employed in any branch of the department in cases where the Minister is satisfied that the exigencies of the department so require; and clause 26 of the principal regulations shall apply only to persons in the temporary employment of the department.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Payment for Loss or Damage to Parcels.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Present:

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

WHEREAS by "The Post Office Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1886," it is enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make, alter, and revoke regulations for the purpose, *inter alia*, of limiting the liability to be incurred by the Postmaster-General or any officer or servant of the Post Office in respect of all or any such parcels, or providing that the Postmaster-General, or such officers or servants as aforesaid, shall be so liable, upon payment by the sender of any parcel of such additional or further rates of postage as may be prescribed:

And whereas it is expedient to provide that the Postmaster-General shall be liable for loss of parcels during their transmission through the post under the conditions and upon payment of the additional rates of postage hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by "The Post Office Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1886," and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the rules and regulations and fix the rates of postage for the purposes aforesaid set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth order and declare that such rules and regulations and such rates of postage shall have effect on and from the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SCHEDULE.

REGULATIONS.

PAYMENT FOR LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO PARCELS.

1. The Postmaster-General is not legally liable to make good any claim arising out of the conveyance of a parcel sent by post, but, subject to the following regulations, he will grant compensation up to a limit of £50 for the loss or damage of a parcel posted in the colony for delivery therein, or to any of the countries enumerated in the additional-postage table published below.

2. The fees payable in addition to the ordinary postage to secure compensation will be found in the said table.

3. All such fees must be prepaid by means of postage-stamps, which the sender must affix to the parcel with the stamps in prepayment of the postage.

4. A certificate must be obtained by the sender on posting an insured parcel, which must be produced by him when any claim for compensation arises. No charge will be made for such certificate.

5. No parcel may be insured for a sum in excess of the real value of the contents. An invoice, or description of contents and the value of each article contained in the parcel, must be enclosed therein. Over-insurance is a bar to compensation.

6. Parcels containing any of the following articles are excluded from acceptance under these regulations, viz.: Liquids or semi-liquids, perishable articles such as eggs, butter, fruit, flowers, confectionery, &c., fragile articles such as glass-ware, &c.

Under no circumstances will compensation be given for the loss or damage to a parcel containing any of the above-mentioned articles.

7. Every parcel intended to be forwarded under these regulations must be carefully and substantially packed, with due regard to the nature of contents and the length of the journey, and must be secured in such a manner as to prevent tampering with it without leaving obvious traces of violation; for instance, seals should be placed over each join or loose flap of the covering of a parcel, and, if string be used in packing, a seal must be placed on the ends of the string where they are tied.

8. All seals on a parcel must be of the same kind of wax or lead, and must bear distinct impressions of the same device; and the device must not consist merely of straight, curved, or crossed lines. Coins must not be used for sealing.

9. Parcels containing watches, jewellery, or any article of gold or silver, must be enclosed in strong boxes or cases, which must be securely fastened in wrappers of linen, canvas, strong paper, or other substantial material. The seals must be placed along the edges of each join or loose flap at distances of not more than 3 in. apart.

10. If a parcel tendered for transmission under these regulations does not, in the opinion of the officer to whom it is tendered, fulfil the foregoing conditions as to packing and fastening, it is his duty to refuse to forward it. The onus of properly packing and fastening the parcel lies upon the sender, and the Postmaster-General assumes no liability for loss or damage arising from defects of packing or fastening which may not be observed at the time of posting.

11. When a parcel posted under these regulations is redirected from one country or colony to another, a fresh fee becomes payable for each such transmission; if this fee be not prepaid, it will be collected before delivery of the parcel. Insured parcels can be redirected to any place within the colony or to any of the countries mentioned in the additional-postage table.

12. In the event of the contents of a parcel being damaged, the parcel should, as far as practicable, be retained in the condition in which it was received from the office of delivery, and be submitted, when required, to the examination of a responsible officer.

13. Compensation for a parcel lost or damaged in the post will not exceed the amount of the actual loss or damage, but no compensation will be paid for a parcel containing any prohibited article, or which has been delivered without external trace of injury and has been accepted, without remark, by the addressee, or when loss or damage arises from flood, tempest, shipwreck, earthquake, war, or other causes beyond control.

14. No application for compensation will be entertained unless made within three months from date of posting if the parcel originated in New Zealand or Australia, and within six months if in any other country. Such application may be made to the postal administration of either country or colony of origin or delivery, but the certificate of posting must be produced when required.

15. The final decision upon all questions of compensation rests with the postal administration of the country or colony in which the loss or damage has taken place.

16. Any insurance effected contrary to the foregoing provisions is invalid.

GENERAL.

17. Where not repugnant to the foregoing regulations, the general regulations relating to parcels apply also to parcels forwarded under these regulations.

TABLE of ADDITIONAL POSTAGE-RATES payable to secure COMPENSATION for Loss of, or Damage to, PARCELS addressed to the COUNTRIES mentioned hereunder.

Parcels for delivery in	Fees payable to secure Compensation up to				
	£10.	£20.	£30.	£40.	£50.
New Zealand (inland)	s. d. 0 4	s. d. 0 6	s. d. 0 8	s. d. 0 10	s. d. 1 0
Aden	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Antigua	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Algeria	0 9	1 3*	..	..	..
Ascension	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Austria	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
Azores	0 9	1 3*	..	..	..
Bahamas	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
Barbados	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Belgium	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Bermuda	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Beyrout	0 7	0 11*	..	..	..
British East Africa	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
British Guiana	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
British North Borneo	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
Cameroons	0 9	1 3	1 9	2 3	2 9
Constantinople	0 7	0 11*	..	..	..
Cyprus	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Denmark	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
Dominica	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Egypt	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Falkland Islands	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	2 4
France (excluding Corsica)	0 7	0 11*	..	..	..
Gambia	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Germany	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Grenada	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Holland	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7†	..
Italy	0 9	1 3	1 9	2 3†	..
Lagos	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Luxemburg	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Madeira	0 7	0 11*	..	..	..
Mombasa	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Montenegro	0 9	1 3	1 9	2 3†	..
Montserrat	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Nevis	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Newfoundland	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
New South Wales	0 5	0 7½	0 10	1 0½	1 3
Niger Coast	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Norway	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Portugal	0 7	0 11*	..	..	..
Roumania	0 8	1 1*	..	..	..
Russia	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
St. Helena	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
St. Kitts	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
St. Lucia	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
St. Vincent	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Servia	0 8	1 1*	..	..	..
Sierra Leone	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Smyrna	0 7	0 11*	..	..	..
South Australia	0 5	0 7½	0 10	1 0½	1 3
Switzerland	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4
Tasmania	0 5	0 7½	0 10	1 0½	1 3
Tobago	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Tortola	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Trinidad	0 7	0 11	1 3	1 7	1 11
Tunis	0 9	1 3*	..	..	..
United Kingdom	0 6	0 9	1 0	1 3	1 6
Victoria	0 5	0 7½	0 10	1 0½	1 3
Zanzibar	0 8	1 1	1 6	1 11	2 4

* Maximum insurable value, £20.

† Maximum insurable value, £40.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Amending Regulations for Trout-, Perch-, and Tench-fishing,
Southern Acclimatisation District.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS by an Order in Council, dated the seventh day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the eighth day of September then instant, certain regulations were made under "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), providing for trout-, perch-, and tench-fishing within the Southern Acclimatisation District as therein defined: And whereas it is

expedient to extend the time within which trout, perch, and tench may be caught in the said district during the present season only:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred by the said Act, and of all other powers enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that, notwithstanding anything contained in the said recited regulations, any holder of a license issued thereunder and now in force may fish with one rod and line for trout, perch, and tench within the Southern Acclimatisation District until the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, subject in all other respects to the conditions prescribed by the said regulations.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing Messrs. Lane and Brown to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Whangaroa Harbour.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned, Thomas Major Lane and William Brown, of Whangaroa, trading under the style or title of "Lane and Brown" (hereinafter called "the licensees"), have applied to the Governor in Council for a license under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), to occupy a part of the foreshore of Whangaroa Harbour, in order to erect and maintain thereon a sawmill, and shed for stacking timber; and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," have deposited plans in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2229A and M.D. 2251), showing the place where it is intended to erect such sawmill and shed, the area of foreshore to be occupied for such purpose, and the manner in which it is proposed to erect the sawmill and shed: And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that the proposed work will not be or tend to the injury of navigation; and the said plans have, prior to the making of this Order in Council, been approved by the Governor in Council without modification or addition: And whereas it is expedient that a license under the said Act, for the purpose aforesaid, should be granted and issued to the licensees on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby approve of the purpose or object for which the said license is required by the licensees as aforesaid; and, in further pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby license and permit the licensees to use and occupy that part of the foreshore in the position shown on the plan marked M.D. 2229A, and enclosed in black lines, for the erection of a sawmill and shed, in accordance with the plan marked M.D. 2251, and which said license shall be held and enjoyed by the licensees upon and subject to the following terms and conditions, that is to say:—

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

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore enclosed in black lines on plan marked M.D. 2229A, and deposited in the office of the Marine Department as aforesaid.

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

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

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

6. The said rights, powers, and privileges may be at any time resumed by the Governor, without payment of any compensation whatever, on giving to the licensees six calendar months' previous notice in writing. Any such notice shall be sufficient if given by the Minister and delivered at or posted to the last known address of the licensees.

7. The licensees shall be liable for any injury which any work or structure on the said premises may cause any vessel or boat to sustain through any default or neglect on the part of the licensees.

8. In case the licensees shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions herein before set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to provide or maintain any work or structure on the said premises in good order and condition; or
- (3.) Become bankrupt, or be brought under the operation of any law in force for the time being relating to bankruptcy,

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Native Land proposed to be taken for the Construction of a Police-station at Te Whaiti, County of Whakatane.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR 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 police-station at Te Whaiti, County of Whakatane:

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 has been prepared in duplicate showing accurately the position and extent of the said land, 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 purposes of the said police-station as from the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Section No.	Situated in Blocks Nos.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 7 2 0	6717 (Police Reserve)	VI. and X.	Ahikereru.

In the Land District of Auckland; as the said parcel of land is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18459, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Altering the Name of the Borough of Newton.

(L.S.)

RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

And whereas the Newton Borough Council has requested that the present name of "Newton" be altered as herein-after mentioned, and it appears expedient to comply with such request:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby proclaim and declare that the Borough of Newton aforesaid shall, on and after the sixteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, be called and known by the name of "Grey Lynn," and the name of the said Borough of Newton is hereby altered accordingly.

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

W. C. WALKER.

Approved in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

"The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894."—
Election of a Board of Conciliation for the Canterbury Industrial District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, among other things, enacted that on the expiration of every third year after the first election of members of a Board, or a chairman thereof, a new election shall be held on such day as the Governor may appoint:

And whereas the third year after the first election of the Board of Conciliation for the Canterbury Industrial District will expire on the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby appoint the twenty-fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as the day for the election of members of the Board of Conciliation for the Canterbury Industrial District.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Labour.

Appointing Trustees for the Livingstone Public Cemetery.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

JOHN CHRISTIAN and
JOHN MULHOLLAND

to be Trustees, in the place of William Sutherland and James McQuade, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Livingstone Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by warrant under the hand of His Excellency the Governor.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Trustees for Mauriceville Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

JOHN ANDERSEN ROIGARD,
JORGEN NIELSEN, and
CHARLES FORSBERG

to be Trustees, in the place of Gunder Gundersen, deceased Frederick Jagerhann, left the district; and Johannes Jespersen, resigned, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Mauriceville Cemetery.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Arrangements for First Elections, &c., Eketahuna County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th March, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS TUCKER YOULE

to be the person to make up electors' rolls for the East and West Ridings of the County of Eketahuna, as constituted under "The Counties Act, 1886," and "The Eketahuna 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 Eketahuna County Council for the purpose of presiding at the first meeting thereof.

T. THOMPSON.

Members of Clutha River Board appointed and elected.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 30th March, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint

JOHN CRAWFORD ANDERSON, of Stirling, and
DANIEL STEWART, of Balclutha,

to be members of the Clutha River Board, under "The Clutha River Board Empowering Act, 1898."

The under-mentioned persons have been elected members of the Board under said Act:—

JAMES ROSS MITCHELL, elected by the Clutha County Council;

JAMES RUTHERFORD, elected by the Bruce County Council;

JAMES SIM, elected by the Tuapeka County Council.

T. THOMPSON.

Inspector of Weights and Measures, Borough of Carterton, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable FREDERICK CHARLES SMITH

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

T. THOMPSON.

Rangers under the Animals Protection Acts, Tauranga and Grey Districts, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1899.

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

Name.	District.
HUGH MONTGOMERY STEWART	Tauranga.
GEORGE LEMON	
PETER BUTTOLA	Grey.
JOHN EVANS	

T. THOMPSON.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 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.
THOMAS REID	Waimate.
BERNARD BRUCE MACCUDRY	Helensville.

T. THOMPSON.

Secretary for Education and Inspector-General of Schools appointed.

Education Department,
Wellington, 5th April, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint

GEORGE HOGGEN, Esq., M.A.,

to be Secretary for Education and Inspector-General of Schools, as from the 1st day of April, 1899.

W. C. WALKER.

Appointment of Trustees for Timaru Racecourse.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 29th March, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES ERNEST THOMAS and
WILLIAM GUNN

to be members of the Board of Trustees of the Timaru Racecourse, in pursuance of section 6 of "The Timaru Racecourse Reserve Act, 1883," in the place of Donald McLean and Thomas Raymond Jones, who have resigned.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Sub-Inspectors of Police appointed.

Police Department,
Wellington, 29th March, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Detective TERENCE O'BRIEN,
Sergeant EWEN MACDONELL,
Sergeant NICHOLAS KIELY, and
Sergeant EDWARD WILSON

to be Sub-Inspectors of the New Zealand Police Force. Appointments to take effect from the 31st March, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Battalion Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 20th March, 1899.

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

2nd Battalion, Wellington (West Coast) Rifle Volunteers.

Captain George Kirton, Manchester Rifle Volunteers, to be Pay and Quarter-master.

Joseph MacNaughtan Christie to be Medical Officer, with the rank of Surgeon-Captain.

The Reverend Thomas Billing Maclean, Wanganui Rifle Volunteers, to be Honorary Chaplain.

Commissions to date from the 1st March, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1899.

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

Star Boating Club Naval Artillery Volunteers.

The Right Reverend Frederick K. Wallis, D.D., Anglican Bishop of Wellington, to be Honorary Chaplain. Date of commission, 3rd March, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 20th March, 1899.

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

Petone Naval Artillery Volunteers.

Lieutenant Charles Howard Fanning. Date of resignation, 1st March, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officers resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1899.

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

Bruce Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant William Fitzgerald Watters. Date of resignation, 1st March, 1899.

No. 1 Company, Ohinemuri Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant John Brown. Date of resignation, 6th March, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 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.
Henry Adolph	Labourer	Mauku.
Hans Andersen	Labourer	Mauriceville.
Sylvester Antonio	Miner	Stillwater.
Nicolas Azaretti	Fisherman	Port Chalmers.
Peter Bercich	Mason	Wellsford.
Henrig Betrel	Labourer	Pigeon Bay.
Hakon Bonnevie	Seaman	Auckland.
Charles Brandes	Miner	Westport.
Henry Elis Leopold Brusewitz	Photographer	Nelson.
Joseph Coblo	Labourer	Ngaruawahia.
Andrea Ferri	Mariner	Wellsford.
Antonio Falconetti	Gum-digger	Dargaville.
Jean Baptiste Grondin	Labourer	Wellington.
Hans Andersen Hansen	Gold-miner	Westport.
Hans Christian Henriksen	Settler	Okaramio.
William August Johansen	Miner	Woodstock.
William Johnson	Settler	Tapu.
Jacob Jorgensen	Gold-miner	Dillmanstown.
John Frederick Christian Jürs	Labourer	Auckland.
Lars Kjoer	Labourer	Mauriceville.
Charles Lawson	Labourer	Whangarei Heads.
Antoine Louie	Painter	Gisborne.
Daniel Louis	Labourer	Kumara.
Paulina Louis	Domestic duties	Kumara.
Louis Marin	Sawyer	Rangiora.
Giacomo Mattei	Miner	Ross.
John Paul Miller	Millwright	Nelson.
Joachim Heinrich Petersen	Fish-dealer	Midhirst.
Anna Sophia Petersen	Housekeeper	Midhirst.
Raymond Poschich	Miner and farmer	Canoe Creek, near Greymouth.
Hans George Rappe	Electrical engineer	Moeraki, Otago.
Henry Simmons	Fisherman	Auckland.
Francis Short	Fisherman	Port Chalmers.
Henri Thomsen	Settler	Ballance.
Joseph Zeim	Gardener	Christchurch.

T. THOMPSON.

Fees for Licenses to take or kill and sell Game, Marlborough District.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st April, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor directs that it be notified that licenses to take or kill Californian quail and hares within the Marlborough District shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each, and that the Chief Postmaster at Blenheim has been appointed to sign and issue such licenses.

T. THOMPSON.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Manchester Road District, County of Oroua.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 5th April, 1899.

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

T. THOMPSON.

MANCHESTER ROAD BOARD.

THE following is the result of a poll taken on Wednesday, the 15th day of March, 1899, on the proposal of the Manchester Road Board to borrow the sum of £800, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and "The Government Emergency Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1897," for the purpose of providing this Board's share of the cost of acquiring and constructing the roads of approach to the Kakariki combined road- and railway-bridge over the Rangitikei River:—

Number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal, 192; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 7.

A majority of the votes recorded being in favour of the proposal, I therefore declare it to be carried.

F. Y. LETHBRIDGE,
Chairman, Manchester Road Board.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Pahiatua County.

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

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

T. THOMPSON.

PAHIATUA COUNTY.*Proposed Loan No. 55.—Mangamaire Road South.*

THE following is the result of a poll taken on 8th March, 1899, on a proposal to borrow, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," the sum of £265 to form and metal Mangamaire Road South, from its intersection with Tutaekara Road southwards:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll 8; representing 8 votes: Voted in favour, 7; vote not recorded, 1.

There being a majority of voters and votes in favour, I declare the proposal carried.

F. E. PERRY,
County Chairman.

County Office, 10th March, 1899.

Bonuses for Encouragement of New Zealand Hemp (Phormium tenax) Industry.—Notice No. 535.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 13th February, 1899.

BONUS No. 1.

A BONUS of £1,750 is offered for a machine or process for dressing New Zealand hemp (*Phormium tenax*) which shall be an improvement on the machines or processes now in use, and which shall, after trial, be found to materially reduce the cost of production, improve the product, or increase the quantity of dressed fibre.

The following are the conditions:—

1. All applications for the bonus must be sent addressed to the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington, and must reach him not later than the 31st March, 1900. Each application must be accompanied by a description of the machine or process, particularly stating improvements on present machines or processes, and also the cost at which the machine or process can be supplied.

2. The applicants must be prepared to submit their machines or processes to examination at such time and place as the Government may direct.

3. The Government shall appoint a committee of three or more experts, to whom all applications shall be submitted. Such committee shall, after perusal, state what machines or processes they deem worthy of consideration, and may inspect the same at any place within the colony; and, having so inspected the whole or any of them, may direct that the whole or any of them be brought for further trial to such place as they may think fit.

The cost of bringing the machines or appliances on to the ground, from within the colony, supplying the necessary shafting, motive-power, and buildings, to be defrayed by the Government. If any machine sent from beyond the colony

is awarded the bonus or part thereof, then the cost of bringing such machine shall be borne by the Government.

The following shall be the basis of the test:—

The committee shall supply a sufficient and equal quantity of green hemp to each machine or process as a test.

The committee shall take into consideration—

The time occupied by each machine or process in the operation;

The cost of labour and time required after the fibre has left the machine or process before it is ready for baling;

The percentage of dressed fibre and tow produced by each machine or process;

The cost of producing the same;

The cost of the machine, and the simplicity and durability of the working parts.

On completion of the tests the committee shall furnish a report to the Minister on all the machines or processes which they have examined or tested, and shall state,—

(1.) The machine or process which they consider on the whole the most efficient and economic.

(2.) Whether they consider that any machine or process tested so materially reduces the cost of production, or improves the product, as to be worthy of the whole bonus or of a part only.

(3.) Whether, in the event of no one machine or process being entitled to the whole bonus, they deem any machine or process worthy of a part of the bonus, and, if so, how much.

BONUS No. 2.

A bonus of £250 is offered for a process of utilising the waste products of the hemp.

The first three conditions of Bonus No. 1 to apply to this also.

The committee shall supply a sufficient and equal quantity of the waste products to each process as a test.

On completion of the tests the committee shall report to the Minister, and shall give the following particulars of each process: (a.) The nature of the article made. (b.) The quantity produced, and the cost of production. (c.) The value of the product. (d.) Whether any of the processes are of sufficient importance to warrant the Minister in giving (1) the whole, or (2) any part, of the bonus; (3) if a part only, how much.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

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

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

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

1. A bonus of 1s. per gallon (£5,000) will be paid on the first 100,000 gallons of mineral oil produced from shale obtained in the Colony of New Zealand, the oil to be of a quality approved of by Government, and to be sold at a price not exceeding 1s. a gallon at any port of shipment in the colony.

2. Notice of intention to claim the aforesaid bonus must be given in writing to the Colonial Secretary not later than the 31st December, 1899.

3. The claim must be made before the 30th June, 1900.

4. The first claimant who proves to the satisfaction of the Government that he has fulfilled all the conditions to be the recipient of the bonus.

5. The other conditions—as to quantity, priority, quality, and value—to be fulfilled to the satisfaction of an officer appointed for the purpose by the Government.

J. CARROLL.

Bonus for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,
Wellington, 17th February, 1898.

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

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

2. No bonus will be payable until the whole of the one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has

been produced as stipulated to the satisfaction of an officer to be appointed by the Minister of Mines, and on whose certificate alone the bonus will be paid.

3. In the event of more than one person producing the required quantities of quicksilver before the dates named, inquiry will be made by the officer above referred to, when, if it is found that each applicant is equally entitled to a bonus, the amount will be divided in proportion to the quantities produced by each applicant, but in no case shall any bonus be paid until at least one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced in the aggregate.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

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

IN pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling me under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and any amendment thereof, and also of "The Government Railways Act, 1894," I, Alfred Jerome Cadman, the Minister for Railways, do hereby make the following alterations in the scale of fares, rates, and charges in force on the New Zealand Government railways open for traffic, such alterations to come into force on and after the 10th day of April, 1899:—

PART IV.—GOODS: LOCAL RATES.
AUCKLAND SECTION.

Cancel—

When goods of Classes A, B, C, D, E are consigned to Auckland, except such as are consigned to private sidings at that station, or to the Auckland Railway Wharf for shipment there, both the classified rates, Part III., and the local rates will be increased by 1s. 8d. per ton, except otherwise specified. The minimum charge for small lots will be 1s. 4d., except for small lots of Class E goods, poultry, butter, and other articles enumerated in section 3 of Part III.

Insert—

When goods of Classes A, B, C, D, E are consigned to Auckland, except such as are consigned to private sidings at that station, or to the Auckland Railway Wharf for shipment there, both the classified rates, Part III., and the local rates will be increased by 1s. 6d. per ton, except otherwise specified. The minimum charge for small lots will be 1s. 4d., except for small lots of Class E goods, poultry, and other articles enumerated in section 3 of Part III.

HURUNUI—BLUFF SECTION.

Cancel—

Goods for Christchurch, Dunedin, and Invercargill.

When goods of Classes A, B, C, D, and E are consigned to Christchurch, Dunedin, and Invercargill, the classified rates will be increased as follows:—

	s.	d.
To Christchurch by	1	0
To Dunedin by	1	1
To Invercargill by	1	3

Insert—

Goods for Christchurch, Dunedin, and Invercargill.

When goods of Classes A, B, C, D, and E are consigned to Christchurch, Dunedin, and Invercargill, the classified rates will be increased as follows:—

	s.	d.
To Christchurch by	0	11
To Dunedin by	1	1
To Invercargill by	1	4

Christchurch and Lyttelton.

Cancel—

Goods of Classes A, B, C, D, from Lyttelton to Christchurch, not to private sidings, will be charged 5s. 6d. per ton.

Insert—

Goods of Classes A, B, C, D, from Lyttelton to Christchurch, not to private sidings, will be charged 5s. 5d. per ton.

Bluff and Invercargill.

Cancel—

Goods of Classes A, B, C, and D, from Bluff to Invercargill, not to private sidings, 7s. 9d. per ton.

Insert—

Goods of Classes A, B, C, and D, from Bluff to Invercargill, not to private sidings, 7s. 10d. per ton.

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

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister for Railways.

Tenders.

Railway Department (Head Office),
Wellington, 5th April, 1899.

THE following list of accepted tenders is published for general information.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

LEASE of REFRESHMENT-ROOMS on the New Zealand Government Railways for Three Years ending 31st March, 1902.

Station.	Name.	Rental per Annum.
Auckland	Mrs. C. McLeod	£ 52
Mercer	T. E. Hallett	200
Te Aute	W. Pellow	75
Waipukurau	P. Gow	120
Woodville	T. Fairhurst	507
Hawera	W. Evans	9
Patea	George Allan	54
Aramoho	Mrs. B. Fleming	273
Halcombe	J. A. Dotchin	26
Palmerston North	W. Freeman	400
Kaitoke	Mrs. E. Broadbent	150
Christchurch		
Ashburton		
Timaru	T. R. Quill	2,500
Oamaru		
Palmerston South		
Dunedin		

Tender for Cartage of Goods and Parcels.

Railway Department (Head Office),
Wellington, 5th April, 1899.

THE following tender for cartage of goods and parcels between the Rangiora Railway station and the Borough of Rangiora, for three years, terminating on the 31st March, 1902, is published for general information.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

SCHEDULE.

ACCEPTED: W. MANHIRE.

Rate per ton for delivery of goods within the limits described in clause 7 of specification—minimum charge, 3d.	s. d.
Rate for delivery of parcels, conveyed by passenger or mixed train, within the limits described in clause 7 of specification, at per parcel of 1 cwt. or under, each	0 3
Rate per ton for collection of goods within the limits described in clause 7 of specification—minimum charge, 3d.	1 0
Rate for the collection of parcels, to be conveyed by passenger or mixed train, within the limits described in clause 7 of specification, at per parcel of 1 cwt. or under, each	0 3

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 12.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 5th April, 1899.

NOTICE has been received from the ecclesiastical head of the Primitive Methodist Connexion that

The Reverend JOHN WILLIAM HAYWARD

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

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Sale of Unclaimed Property.

Police Department (Commissioner's Office),
Wellington, 25th March, 1899.

THE unclaimed property described hereunder, and now in possession of the police, will, unless previously claimed, be sold by public auction, at Nuhaka, Hawke's Bay, on Wednesday, the 19th April, at noon, in accordance with the police regulations:—

Two camp-ovens, a lamp, tweed coat and vest, three axes, three blankets, two spades, a calico tent and fly, bridle, 75 lb. flour, and sundries.

J. B. TUNBRIDGE,
Commissioner of Police.

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Crown Lands Notices.

Lands in Huiakama Village, Taranaki, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 24th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned suburban lands will be submitted for lease by public auction, at the Town Hall, Stratford, on Friday, the 28th April, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.
Suburbs of Huiakama.

Section.	Area.	Upset Rental per Annum.	
		£	s. d.
37	A. R. P. 4 0 24	1	0 9
48	1 1 20	0	6 11
49	4 2 20	1	3 2

Term: Seven years.

Newly felled and grassed land. Liable to flood in bend of stream at Section 37. Good soil.

Terms and Conditions of Lease.

1. A deposit of a half-year's rent and lease-fee of £1 1s. to be made on the fall of the hammer.

2. Possession will be given on day of sale.

3. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may at any time enter upon the lands comprised in the lease, and execute any works for the diversion of the Mangaotuku Stream, and may at any time resume possession of the said lands by giving twelve months' notice to the lessee of his intention so to do.

4. The lessee shall have no right to compensation either for any improvements that may be placed on the land, or on account of the aforesaid resumption, nor for any other cause.

5. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of his lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

6. The lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the lands comprised in his lease; and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

7. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee shall fail to fulfil any of the conditions of the said lease within sixty days after the date on which the same ought to be fulfilled.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Poerua Estate, Westland, for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Hokitika, 11th March, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be opened for application upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 16th May, 1899, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—GREY COUNTY.—POERUA ESTATE.
First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.		Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
			A. R. P.	s. d.	£	s. d.		
Te Kinga	8	X.	228	3 0	2	6	14	6 0
	14	X.	157	0 0	1	10½	7	7 2

Section 8 contains 70 acres bad swamp, remainder first-class land; deep soil, covered with ribbonwood, scrub, and fern. One mile from Bell Hill Road, and two miles and a quarter by a road and Crooked River bed from school-site and dairy-factory reserve.

Section 14 contains one-quarter open pakihi, a little wet; remainder scrub and bush land, covered with scrub and scattered trees; large portion affected by Slaty Creek and overflow. About a quarter of a mile from dairy-factory reserve and school-site.

W. G. MURRAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village and Rural Lands, Taranaki, for Sale by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 24th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 26th day of April, 1899, at noon:—

VILLAGE OF PUNEHU.—BLOCK XI., OPUNAKE SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section 34: Area, 2 roods; upset price, £5. All flat; well watered; fair soil. The whole is cleared and in grass.

MIHI SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section 8, Block XI.: Area, 14 acres; upset price, £42. Situate about 10½ miles from Urenui, with frontage to main road from New Plymouth to Mokau.

Town and Suburban Lands for Lease by Public Auction.

THE under-mentioned sections in the Town and Suburbs of Opunake will be offered for lease by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 26th day of April, 1899, at noon. Should any of the sections not be bid for at the said auction they will be open for application at the upset rentals and for the terms stated.

TOWN OF OPUNAKE.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.		Term.
		A. R. P.	£	s. d.	
1, 2, 3	XVI.	0 3 2	0	15 3	14 years.
1, 2, 3, 4	XXVIII.	1 0 0	1	0 0	"

SUBURBS OF OPUNAKE.

Block IX., Opunake Survey District.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.		Term.
		A. R. P.	£	s. d.	
31	IX.	6 0 0	3	12 0	14 years.
46	"	5 3 0	3	9 0	"
47	"	7 2 0	4	10 0	"
48	"	9 2 0	5	14 0	"
49	"	5 2 0	3	6 0	"

These sections lie to the east of the Town of Opunake, and adjacent to the Main South Road, which passes through the town. The soil is light, and generally of a stony and sandy character. A narrow swamp, which could easily be drained, runs through Sections 48 and 49.

Terms of Lease.

1. A deposit of a half-year's rent and £1 1s. lease-fee to be made on the fall of the hammer.

2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required.

3. Possession will be given on the day of sale.

4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified above, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.

5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.

6. Each lessee will be required to clear, within the first year from the date of the lease, all gorse, bramble, broom, sweetbriar, and other noxious weeds now growing on the lands comprised in his lease, and, further, shall use all reasonable means to prevent the spread of such noxious weeds.

7. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessees, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessees, nor for any other cause.

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Land in Wellington for Sale under Section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892."

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 3rd March, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned Crown land will be offered for sale, under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892," on or after Wednesday, the 14th June, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
Aohanga Survey District.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Price per Acre.		
			£	s.	d.
15	VI.	A. R. P. 2 0 0	2	0	0

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

Rural Land in Southland Land District for Sale by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 18th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned rural lands will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Thursday, the 27th day of April, 1899, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—RURAL LAND.
Winton Hundred.

Section 49, Block IV.: 1 acre and 22 perches; upset price, £2 5s. 6d.

Section 50, Block IV.: 1 acre 1 rood 20 perches; upset price, £2 15s.

Toetoes District.

Section 37, Block I.: 9 acres 1 rood 24 perches; upset price, £9 10s.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Otago, for Lease by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 15th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Wednesday, the 19th day of April, 1899.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Run 259, Tuapeka County: Area, 30,830 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £100; valuation for improvements, £372.

The above run will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892." Possession will be given on day of sale.

Purchaser must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of a half-year's rent, valuation for improvements, and license-at the fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserve in Taranaki for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 28th February, 1899.

WRITTEN tenders, marked on the outside, will be received at this office, up to noon of Monday, the 22nd day of May, 1899, for the lease of the reserve mentioned in the Schedule hereunder, for the term of years stated, and subject to the following conditions. If no tenders are received on the 22nd May, 1899, it will remain open thereafter for selection.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—SUBURBS OF MANGAMINGI.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.	Term.
27	XII.	Ngaire	11 1 16	6 years.

Conditions of Lease.

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

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

3. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may at any time (should the land be required for public purposes) resume possession of the land comprised in the lease by giving twelve months' notice in writing to the lessee of his intention to do so.

4. The lessee shall have no right to compensation either for improvements made upon the land or on account of the aforesaid resumption, nor for any other cause.

5. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the land comprised in his lease except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

6. The lessee shall fell and burn the bush, and shall sow the land comprised in his lease with a suitable mixture of English grasses and clovers, consisting of not less than 25 lb. weight of seed to each acre. All seeds to be of best quality; the proportions of mixture as well as the quantity and quality of seeds to be submitted before sowing for the approval of the Crown Lands Ranger.

7. The lessee shall, within two years from the date of his lease, enclose the whole of the lands comprised therein with a good and substantial fence (in terms of the Fencing Act); the style of fence and also the materials to be used in the construction thereof shall, previous to erection, be approved by the Crown Lands Ranger, and such fence shall be maintained and left in good tenable repair at the expiration of the term.

8. The lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of scrub, gorse, broom, sweetbriar, and other noxious weeds on the land included in the lease. Should any such be found on the land the lessee shall with all reasonable despatch remove the same in such manner as shall be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

9. The lessee shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee shall fail to fulfil any of the conditions of the said lease within sixty days after the date on which the same ought to have been fulfilled.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in Westland open for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Hokitika, 20th March, 1899.

IN accordance with section 197 of "The Land Act, 1892," I hereby give notice that the under-mentioned pastoral runs have been submitted for sale by public auction and not sold, and will be open for application on and after the 28th day of April next.

Run No.	Locality.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.		
			£	s.	d.
13	Poerua River	20,000	10	0	0
118	Koiterangi	2,200	2	4	0

Subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," Part VI. All for the term of ten years. Possession to be given on the date of granting of application, after necessary declaration taken.

W. G. MURRAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Township of Pipiriki for Lease by Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 28th February, 1899.

THE under-mentioned sections in the Township of Pipiriki will be offered for lease by public tender, for a term of twenty-one years, with right of renewal for a further term of twenty-one years, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Wednesday, the 26th April, 1899. Sections not applied for on the 26th April, 1899, will be open thereafter at the upset ground-rentals noted below.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
Township of Pipiriki.

Section.	Block.	Area.			Minimum Upset Annual Rental.	
		A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.
2	I.	2	0	0	1	5 0
3	"	2	1	32	1	5 0
1	II.	0	3	16	1	0 0
2	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
3	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
4	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
5	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
6	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
2	III.	0	2	3	1	10 0
3	"	0	2	26	1	10 0
4	"	0	2	17	1	10 0
12	"	1	0	31	1	0 0
4	IV.	5	1	12	1	0 0
5	"	5	1	2	1	0 0
7	"	5	2	0	1	0 0
8	"	7	3	23	1	12 0
9	"	1	2	0	1	5 0
11	"	12	0	38	2	14 0
12	"	14	0	0	3	3 0
13	"	19	3	38	3	0 0
14	"	30	1	18	3	0 0
16	"	23	3	23	2	8 0
18	"	8	3	30	1	16 0
20	"	20	1	29	4	0 0
21	"	14	3	14	3	0 0
1	V.	0	2	26	2	0 0
12	"	0	1	0	2	0 0
3	VI.	0	1	0	1	15 0
5	"	0	1	0	1	15 0
6	"	0	1	0	1	15 0
7	"	0	1	16	1	15 0
8	"	0	1	5	1	10 0
9	"	0	2	9	1	5 0
10	"	0	1	15	1	10 0
11	"	0	1	8	1	10 0
12	"	0	1	14	1	10 0
13	"	0	2	3	1	15 0
14	"	0	3	10	2	0 0
1	VII.	0	3	13	1	10 0
1	VIII.	0	1	5	2	0 0
5	"	0	1	0	1	10 0
6	"	0	1	0	1	10 0
10	"	0	1	33	1	0 0
11	"	0	1	15	1	5 0
12	"	0	1	22	1	5 0
4	IX.	0	1	0	1	15 0
5	"	0	1	0	1	15 0
8	"	0	2	11	2	0 0
9	"	0	3	0	2	0 0
12	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
13	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
14	"	1	0	0	1	0 0
15	"	0	3	0	1	0 0
1	X.	0	1	39	1	15 0
2	"	0	1	22	1	10 0
3	"	0	2	0	1	10 0
4	"	0	2	0	1	5 0
5	"	0	3	0	1	10 0
9	"	0	1	35	1	5 0

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

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

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 28th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for application, at this office, on Wednesday, the 19th April, 1899, at the rental noted opposite each run.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre	Half-yearly Rent.	
			A.	R.	P.		£	s. d.
Tiger Hill..	..	Run 244	1,786	0	32	0	2	7 8 10
"	..	" 244c	1,701	1	20	0	2	7 1 9
"	..	" 244g	1,522	0	0	0	2	6 6 10
"	..	" 244L	1,357	0	0	0	2	5 13 1

These runs consist of broken agricultural and pastoral country, situated at from one to five miles from Ophir Township. Valuation for improvements: Run 244, £456 10s. 6d.; Run 244c, £110; Run 244g, £368 2s. 9d.; Run 244L, £85 5s.

Tiger Hill..	29	II.	567	1	35	0	2	2 7 3
Lauder ..	16	IV.						

Broken agricultural and pastoral country, situated one mile from Ophir. Valuation for improvements, £85 10s.

Lauder ..	5	VI.	1,298	1	23	0	6	16 4 6
"	6	"	1,281	3	20	0	5	13 7 1

Open undulating agricultural and pastoral country, well watered, situated about five miles from Ophir Township. Valuation for improvements: On Section 5, £492 19s.; on Section 6, £339 7s. 6d. In addition to these improvements, each section contains an area of turnips, which will be valued fourteen days before sale.

Blackstone {	Run 225p		1,115	0	0	0	5	11 12 4
"	225g							

Open country, somewhat high and broken; well watered; situated about three miles from Wedderburn Post-office. Valuation for improvements, £234 4s. 6d.

Gimmerburn	..	Run 225s	433	2	0	0	5	4 10 5
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Open undulating agricultural and pastoral land, situated about five miles from Wedderburn. Valuation for improvements, £198 7s.

Strath Taieri	1	XI.	3,889	1	4	0	6	48 12 3
"	13	X.	948	1	15	0	6	11 17 0

Open undulating agricultural and pastoral land; well watered; situated from four to six miles from Middlemarch. Valuation for improvements: On Section 1, Block XI., £240 10s.; on Section 13, Block X., £391 15s.

Hummock	1	IX.						
"	2	VII.	4,167	0	0	0	4	34 14 6
Nenthorn ..	14	IV.						
"	4	VI.						
"	3	VII.	4,784	0	0	0	6	59 16 0
"	5	VIII.						

Open, but somewhat broken agricultural and pastoral country; well watered; about ten miles from Middlemarch. Valuation for improvements: On Section 1, Block IX., £652 6s. 6d.; on Section 4, Block VI., £394 2s. 9d.

Dunback ..	9	VI.	1,139	0	0	0	5	11 17 4
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Open undulating agricultural and pastoral country; well watered; situated about twelve miles from Dunback Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, £205 8s.

Rock & Pillar	..	Run 205n	3,960	0	0	0	5 1/2	45 7 6
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Open high agricultural and pastoral land; well watered; and situated about one mile from Hyde Township. Valuation for improvements, £494 14s. 6d.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 28th February, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection, in terms of section 159 of "The Land Act, 1892," on lease in perpetuity, on Wednesday, 26th April, 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.

Sections not applied for on the 26th April, 1899, will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—KAITAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.
Wellington Fruitgrowers' Block.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity :			
			Rent, 4 per Cent.		Rent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.		
FIRST-CLASS LAND.						
<i>Hutt County.</i>						
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.		
35, pt. 37	X.	173 1 18	1 9-6	7 16 1		
Weighted with £475 for improvements.						
36, pt. 37	X.	165 3 32	1 7-2	6 12 9		
Weighted with £316 for improvements.						
<i>Horowhenua County.</i>						
40, 41, 42, 44, 56	X.	309 2 23	2 4-8	18 11 7		
Weighted with £1,044 for improvements.						
58	X.	300 0 0	1 4-8	10 10 0		
Weighted with £950 for improvements.						
59	X.	300 0 0	1 0	7 10 0		
Weighted with £644 for improvements.						
43, 45, 47, 49	X.	100 2 0	2 9-6	7 0 9		
Weighted with £582 for improvements.						

Locality and Description of Sections.

These sections are all situated in the Wellington Fruit-growers' Association Block, about four miles from Wai-kanae Railway-station on the Wellington and Manawatu Railway-line, all more or less in a high state of improve-ment, the total value of which is noted against each section.

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

Town Lands in the Township of Mackenzie, Cheviot, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 24th February, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be offered for lease by public auc-tion, at the Land Office, Mackenzie, on Tuesday, the 25th April, 1899.

TOWNSHIP OF MACKENZIE.

Section No.	Town Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
3	XII.	0 1 0	0 10 0
13	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
3	XIII.	0 1 0	0 10 0
19	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
5	XVII.	0 1 5	0 10 0
12	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
3	XVIII.	0 1 0	0 10 0
7	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
10	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
20	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
6	XX.	0 1 0	0 10 0
11	"	0 0 28	0 10 0
12	XXII.	0 1 0	0 10 0
12	XXIV.	0 1 0	0 10 0
20	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
2	XXV.	0 1 0	0 10 0
6	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
8	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
12	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
13	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
17	"	0 1 0	0 10 0
18	"	0 1 0	0 10 0

In the event of any of the sections offered for lease not being disposed of at auction, they will remain open for lease on application, at the upset rental specified above.

Conditions.

1. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the num-ber of blocks or sections which one person may acquire, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by

the lessees, nor shall any be allowed by the Government on account of improvements effected by the lessee, nor from any other cause; but lessees shall be allowed one month from the date of determination of their leases within which to remove any buildings or fences which they may have erected upon the lands comprised in their leases.

2. Possession will be given on the day of sale.

3. The leases shall be for the term of seven years, but will be subject to termination at any time upon six months' notice, in writing, being given to the lessee by the Commis-sioner of Crown Lands in the event of the land being required by Government for any purpose.

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

(1.) That the lessee shall prevent the destruction or burn-ing of trees or plantations on or adjacent to the land comprised in the lease; and

(2.) That the lessee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land com-prised in the lease, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

6. One year's rent and the lease-fee of £1 ls. shall be paid in every instance on the fall of the hammer.

7. The lessee shall not cut or trim the live fences now on the land without the consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and he shall stub all gorse, broom, sweetbriar, and other noxious plants.

8. The lessee must properly clean, clear from weeds, and keep open all creeks, drains, ditches, and watercourses which now are or may be upon the land, and the Commissioner of Crown Lands shall have the power at any time to enter upon and make any drain through the land that he may deem necessary.

9. The lessee shall be liable for all rates, taxes, and assess-ments during the term.

10. A right to search for and take gravel for making or maintaining roads from any of the lands disposed of is reserved; payment to be made for surface-damage only.

11. The Government reserves the right of ingress and egress to the telegraph-line which passes through some of the lands to be disposed of.

12. Lessees shall fence off all trees and plantations, and shall not permit any trespass therein or damage thereto, and shall be held responsible for their safe custody.

13. In the event of the lessee failing to comply with any of the covenants hereinbefore mentioned relating to the stubbing gorse, broom, and sweetbriar, and to the cleaning, clearing from weeds, and keeping open all creeks, drains, ditches, and watercourses, it shall be lawful for the Com-missioner of Crown Lands to have such work done, and to recover the cost of the same from the lessee.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Southland open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 28th February, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Wed-nesday, the 26th April, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WALLACE COUNTY.—WAI-IAU SUR-VEY DISTRICT.

Merrivale Estate.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity :	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
SECOND-CLASS LAND.				
3	VII.	A. R. P.	d.	£ s. d.
		327 0 0	6-6	4 10 0

Open, flat, dry, shingly, with patches of good land; no permanent water; twenty-two miles from Otautau; altitude, about 200 ft. There is a valuation of £17 4s. for improve-ments as follows: Fencing (32 chains at 7s.), £11 4s.; ploughing (30 acres at 4s.), £6.

DAVID BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 24th February, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 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.
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	36059	I.	1,600 0 0	£ s. d. 0 18 9	£ s. d. 1,500 0 0	s. d. 0 11½	£ s. d. 37 10 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 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.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Application under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 25th March, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to a Judge of the Court for a certificate under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienation hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificate must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
317	Mortgage	25th March, 1899	Whangara B1 and B2	H. C. Jackson (receiver duly appointed by the Validation Court at Gisborne, for the Native owners) to H. W. Williams.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 30th March, 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 Wellington on the 6th day of April, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Deputy Registrar.

[Wellington, 99-21.]

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
75	Transfer (99-51)	28th March, 1899	Belmont Survey District, Subsection 2, Sections 1 and 2, Block XIII. (Hutt)	Rangiwhaia te Puni to Emma Louisa Morrison.
76	Transfer (99-37)	10th September, 1897	Papawai No. 1b	Te Iwi Epanaia to Richard Bright.
77	Transfer (99-49)	18th October, 1898	Wakapuaka Survey District, Section 3, Block II.	Huria Matenga and Hemi Matenga to the United Press Association (Limited).

APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
106	Ngamoko te Rango	Awarua No. 1A No. 2.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 5th April, 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 Spring Creek (Wairau) on the 12th day of April, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

[Wellington, 99-22.]

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
113	Peita Renata and others	Whangarae No. 1.
114	Renata Pau	Whangarae No. 2.

NOTICE is hereby given that all cases in the district of Te Waitohi (Picton) will be adjourned for hearing at Te Waitohi (Picton) after the business of the Court at Spring Creek, Wairau, has been finished.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 4th March, 1899, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1898.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.						
	1899.			1898.		
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	44	38	82	60	44	104
2nd Class	182	216	398	159	304	463
Total	226	254	480	219	348	567
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	..	..	43	..	..	96
Horses	..	..	1	..	..	1
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	3	..	..	4
Total	..	..	48	..	..	101
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	1	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	248	..	..	25
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	249	..	..	25
	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	8	..	..	4
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	117	..	..	124
Minerals	..	..	177	..	..	929
Total	..	..	302	..	..	1,057
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	36	18	8	30	12	9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	5	9	0	6	10	11
Goods	72	12	1	148	18	5
Miscellaneous	0	8	0	0	18	3
Rents and Commission	1	16	0	1	16	0
Total	£117	3	9	£188	16	4

WHANGAREI SECTION.						
	1899.			1898.		
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	267	180	447	210	168	378
2nd Class	962	1,144	2,106	875	1,256	2,131
Total	1,229	1,324	2,553	1,085	1,424	2,509
Season Tickets	..	..	16	..	..	24
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	..	..	162	..	..	104
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	5	..	..	6
Total	..	..	167	..	..	110
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	..	..	2	..	..	3
Cattle	..	..	16	..	..	11
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	125	..	..	1
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	22
Total	..	..	143	..	..	37
	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	6	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	12	..	..	42
Timber	..	..	858	..	..	1,939
Grain	..	..	117	..	..	124
Merchandise	..	..	215	..	..	256
Minerals	..	..	3,823	..	..	3,921
Total	..	..	5,031	..	..	6,282
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	147	14	9	128	6	3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	10	3	6	8	6	3
Goods	829	1	9	1,051	0	8
Miscellaneous	5	9	6	23	2	7
Rents and Commission	2	4	4	2	1	11
Total	£994	13	10	£1,212	17	8

KAIHU SECTION.						
	1899.			1898.		
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	13	112	125	17	132	149
2nd Class	228	1,360	1,588	237	1,208	1,445
Total	241	1,472	1,713	254	1,340	1,594
Season Tickets	..	..	22	..	..	21
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	..	..	115	..	..	117
Horses	..	..	2	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	5	..	..	3
Total	..	..	123	..	..	120
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	1	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	1	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	2	..	..	..
	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	6
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	6	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	1,843	..	..	3,603
Grain	..	..	2	..	..	6
Merchandise	..	..	179	..	..	152
Minerals	..	..	..	..	..	77
Total	..	..	2,030	..	..	3,844
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	139	16	4	99	9	10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	11	10	8	9	8	11
Goods	443	7	2	767	19	5
Miscellaneous	24	14	10	39	17	1
Rents and Commission	..	..	..	1	10	0
Total	£619	9	0	£918	5	3

AUCKLAND SECTION.						
	1899.			1898.		
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	2,037	4,744	6,781	1,905	4,012	5,917
2nd Class	10,328	41,972	52,300	8,347	25,174	33,521
Total	12,365	46,716	59,081	10,252	29,186	39,438
Season Tickets	..	..	876	..	..	736
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	..	..	6,815	..	..	5,724
Horses	..	..	47	..	..	96
Carriages	..	..	3	..	..	8
Dogs	..	..	224	..	..	196
Total	..	..	7,089	..	..	6,024
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	..	..	10	..	..	9
Cattle	..	..	989	..	..	731
Calves	..	..	35	..	..	139
Sheep	..	..	22,641	..	..	18,094
Pigs	..	..	137	..	..	126
Total	..	..	23,812	..	..	19,099
	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	1,242	..	..	1,026
Wool	..	..	112	..	..	92
Firewood	..	..	150	..	..	336
Timber	..	..	1,648	..	..	1,478
Grain	..	..	1,214	..	..	1,255
Merchandise	..	..	3,275	..	..	3,190
Minerals	..	..	9,407	..	..	8,795
Total	..	..	17,048	..	..	16,172
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	6,225	1	11	4,465	6	9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	551	19	10	637	13	11
Goods	7,720	1	6	7,210	12	10
Miscellaneous	12	3	4	21	2	5
Rents and Commission	172	12	1	118	6	11
Total	£14,681	18	8	£12,453	2	10

WELLINGTON-NAPIER-NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	3,255	17,024	20,279	3,115	16,452	19,567
2nd Class	15,415	79,464	94,879	15,162	74,810	89,972
Total	18,670	96,488	115,158	18,277	91,262	109,539
Season Tickets	..	1,362	..	1,260	..	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.		
Parcels	..	14,643	..	13,663	..	..
Horses	..	348	..	418	..	..
Carriages	..	25	..	20	..	..
Dogs	..	734	..	736	..	..
Total	..	15,750	..	14,837	..	..
Goods,—		No.		No.		
Drays	..	15	..	9	..	..
Cattle	..	1,407	..	1,576	..	..
Calves	..	95	..	51	..	..
Sheep	..	135,184	..	120,068	..	..
Pigs	..	1,290	..	551	..	..
Total	..	137,991	..	122,255	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 916	..	Tons. 1,212	..	..
Wool	..	1,558	..	957	..	..
Firewood	..	2,528	..	3,654	..	..
Timber	..	7,857	..	8,283	..	..
Grain	..	3,381	..	4,679	..	..
Merchandise	..	10,301	..	9,976	..	..
Minerals	..	4,580	..	3,233	..	..
Total	..	31,121	..	32,049	..	..
REVENUE,—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
Passengers	..	13,263 6 5	..	12,043 19 6	..	..
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	1,905 6 0	..	1,788 10 1	..	..
Goods	..	17,728 19 5	..	17,853 9 0	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	381 10 4	..	449 11 11	..	..
Rents and Commission	..	260 18 3	..	260 10 9	..	..
Total	..	£33,540 0 5	..	£32,396 1 3	..	..

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	5,334	29,682	35,016	5,062	28,318	33,380
2nd Class	27,156	165,434	192,590	24,081	150,156	174,237
Total	32,490	195,116	227,606	29,143	178,474	207,617
Season Tickets	..	2,567	..	2,225	..	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.		
Parcels	..	27,417	..	23,706	..	..
Horses	..	274	..	293	..	..
Carriages	..	47	..	38	..	..
Dogs	..	997	..	793	..	..
Total	..	28,735	..	24,830	..	..
Goods,—		No.		No.		
Drays	..	99	..	66	..	..
Cattle	..	951	..	1,031	..	..
Calves	..	14	..	44	..	..
Sheep	..	194,824	..	178,986	..	..
Pigs	..	1,998	..	1,671	..	..
Total	..	197,886	..	181,798	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 2,928	..	Tons. 3,214	..	..
Wool	..	9,341	..	7,395	..	..
Firewood	..	1,506	..	1,746	..	..
Timber	..	10,628	..	9,899	..	..
Grain	..	27,180	..	29,377	..	..
Merchandise	..	26,901	..	26,247	..	..
Minerals	..	30,934	..	32,289	..	..
Total	..	109,418	..	110,167	..	..
REVENUE,—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
Passengers	..	23,401 9 3	..	19,735 12 6	..	..
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	2,943 4 3	..	2,659 0 0	..	..
Goods	..	41,163 18 2	..	39,237 19 3	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	789 13 3	..	614 6 0	..	..
Rents and Commission	..	633 7 10	..	588 11 0	..	..
Total	..	£68,931 12 9	..	£62,835 8 9	..	..

GREYMOUTH-BRUNNER SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	127	318	445	104	360	464
2nd Class	892	9,028	9,920	882	4,152	5,034
Total	1,019	9,346	10,365	986	4,512	5,498
Season Tickets	..	..	22	..	..	27
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.		
Parcels	..	668	..	650	..	..
Horses	..	1	..	1	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	17	..	25	..	..
Total	..	686	..	676	..	..
Goods,—		No.		No.		
Drays	..	..	..	8	..	..
Cattle	..	22	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	297	..	253	..	..
Pigs	..	28	..	59	..	..
Total	..	347	..	320	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 60	..	Tons. 72	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	5	..	..
Firewood	..	110	..	234	..	..
Timber	..	1,564	..	1,719	..	..
Grain	..	200	..	186	..	..
Merchandise	..	470	..	417	..	..
Minerals	..	12,979	..	12,087	..	..
Total	..	15,383	..	14,720	..	..
REVENUE,—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
Passengers	..	240 4 1	..	184 18 10	..	..
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	20 5 1	..	22 13 1	..	..
Goods	..	1,867 18 2	..	1,709 7 5	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	166 3 8	..	170 9 5	..	..
Rents and Commission	..	1 2 0	..	4 8 0	..	..
Total	..	£2,295 13 0	..	£2,091 16 9	..	..

GREYMOUTH-HOKITIKA SECTION.

	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	71	566	637	80	466	546
2nd Class	650	6,424	7,074	602	6,492	7,094
Total	721	6,990	7,711	682	6,958	7,640
Season Tickets	..	..	7	..	..	16
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.		
Parcels	..	268	..	212	..	..
Horses	..	3	..	3	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	14	..	10	..	..
Total	..	285	..	225	..	..
Goods,—		No.		No.		
Drays	..	..	..	3	..	..
Cattle	..	4	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	223	..	70	..	..
Pigs	..	1	..	49	..	..
Total	..	228	..	122	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. ..	..	Tons. 36	..	..
Wool	..	12	..	3	..	..
Firewood	..	12	..	18	..	..
Timber	..	342	..	410	..	..
Grain	..	..	..	21	..	..
Merchandise	..	876	..	827	..	..
Minerals	..	100	..	124	..	..
Total	..	1,342	..	1,439	..	..
REVENUE,—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
Passengers	..	452 1 5	..	388 12 1	..	..
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	31 12 8	..	28 2 9	..	..
Goods	..	431 6 2	..	433 9 0	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	Cr. 2 4 10	..	0 14 8	..	..
Rents and Commission	..	4 12 0	..	5 14 0	..	..
Total	..	£917 7 5	..	£856 12 6	..	..

WESTPORT SECTION.						
PASSENGERS.—	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	6	134	140	5	76	81
2nd Class	529	3,244	3,773	488	3,038	3,526
Total	535	3,378	3,913	493	3,114	3,607
Season Tickets	11	..	..	17
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	298	..	..	286
Horses
Carriages
Dogs	3	..	..	7
Total	301	..	..	298
GOODS,—	No.			No.		
Drays	1	..	..	..
Cattle	1
Calves
Sheep	1	..	..	100
Pigs
Total	2	..	..	101
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	6	..	..	6
Wool
Firewood	252	..	..	252
Timber	251	..	..	363
Grain	4	..	..	5
Merchandise	245	..	..	218
Minerals	27,405	..	..	23,768
Total	28,163	..	..	24,612
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	270 12 11	..	..	251 18 8
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	20 14 6	..	..	20 1 6
Goods	3,622 5 10	..	..	3,196 13 7
Miscellaneous	125 13 5	..	..	111 15 1
Rents and Commission	8 14 0	..	..	7 19 0
Total	£4,048 0 8	..	..	£3,588 7 10
NELSON SECTION.						
PASSENGERS.—	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	78	184	262	51	94	145
2nd Class	845	6,102	6,947	675	5,486	6,161
Total	923	6,286	7,209	726	5,580	6,306
Season Tickets	40	..	..	67
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	224	..	..	232
Horses
Carriages	1	..	..	..
Dogs	13	..	..	17
Total	238	..	..	249
GOODS,—	No.			No.		
Drays
Cattle
Calves
Sheep	76	..	..	33
Pigs
Total	76	..	..	33

NELSON SECTION—continued.						
	1899.			1898.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	12	..	..	42
Wool	16	..	..	10
Firewood	222	..	..	174
Timber	232	..	..	208
Grain	224	..	..	303
Merchandise	134	..	..	124
Minerals	293	..	..	351
Total	1,133	..	..	1,212
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	359 8 2	..	..	355 9 3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	19 19 2	..	..	18 0 11
Goods	439 15 7	..	..	461 17 10
Miscellaneous	34 13 9	..	..	55 10 1
Rents and Commission	7 5 8	..	..	4 14 0
Total	£861 2 4	..	..	£895 12 1
PICTON SECTION.						
PASSENGERS,—	1899.			1898.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	117	624	741	107	354	461
2nd Class	530	2,070	2,600	535	2,512	3,047
Total	647	2,694	3,341	642	2,866	3,508
Season Tickets	1	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	15	..	..	1
Horses	2	..	..	..
Carriages
Dogs	41	..	..	13
Total	58	..	..	14
GOODS,—	No.			No.		
Drays	1	..	..	..
Cattle
Calves
Sheep	238	..	..	155
Pigs
Total	239	..	..	155
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	210	..	..	396
Wool	191	..	..	16
Firewood	300	..	..	255
Timber	6	..	..	..
Grain	228	..	..	304
Merchandise	221	..	..	282
Minerals	196	..	..	233
Total	1,352	..	..	1,486
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	242 7 1	..	..	221 0 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	18 16 8	..	..	8 4 9
Goods	332 12 7	..	..	387 6 6
Miscellaneous	23 1 3	..	..	18 19 11
Rents and Commission	5 11 6	..	..	0 18 6
Total	£622 9 1	..	..	£636 10 7
A. C. FIFE,						
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.						
Railway Department, 4th April, 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 4th March, 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	£ 117 3 9	£ 1,979 18 9	£ 149 0 10	£ 2,436 14 6	123.07	£ 268 2 4	£ 329 19 6	
Whangarei ..	21	994 13 10	11,770 2 9	599 2 3	6,684 12 5	56.79	682 6 6	387 10 3	
Kaihu ..	17	619 9 0	7,378 14 7	257 0 0	4,054 7 8	54.95	470 4 3	258 7 4	
Auckland ..	332	14,681 18 8	146,599 3 6	7,513 15 10	94,538 19 0	64.49	501 13 1	323 10 2	
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	33,540 0 5	350,240 18 7	22,570 16	5243,473 16 5	69.52	841 6 1	584 16 10	
Total ..	829	49,953 5 8	517,968 18 2	31,089 15	4351,188 10 0	67.80			
MIDDLE ISLAND.—									
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,154	68,931 12 9	728,300 5 3	40,342 8 11	449,737 6 10	61.75	£ 688 18 6	£ 425 8 5	
Greymouth-Brunner	8	2,295 13 0	22,524 14 2	1,096 11 10	12,603 8 8	55.95	3,050 4 5	1,706 14 4	
Greymouth-Hokitika	24	917 7 5	9,697 14 10	426 17 1	5,601 17 6	57.76	437 14 11	252 17 3	
Westport ..	31	4,048 0 8	47,521 14 10	1,956 14 6	20,055 4 5	42.20	1,660 14 1	700 17 1	
Nelson ..	23	861 2 4	9,813 2 11	849 8 5	13,193 1 11	134.44	462 4 3	621 8 3	
Pictou ..	21	622 9 1	7,651 1 1	790 4 8	9,275 15 4	121.24	396 13 11	478 10 3	
Total ..	1,261	77,676 5 3	825,508 13 1	45,462 5 5	510,466 14 8	61.84			
Grand total ..	2,090	127,629 10 11	1,343,477 11 3	76,552 0 9	861,655 4 8	64.14			

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND.—									
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 188 16 4	£ 2,131 17 7	£ 172 12 0	£ 2,817 18 11	132.18	£ 288 13 10	£ 381 11 11	
Whangarei ..	18	1,212 17 8	11,370 5 2	504 10 1	8,046 6 8	70.77	684 6 5	484 5 5	
Kaihu ..	17	918 5 3	10,926 2 6	319 9 7	4,942 19 10	45.24	696 5 5	314 19 10	
Auckland ..	312	12,453 2 10	135,869 11 7	7,490 17 3	85,865 8 7	63.20	472 14 4	298 14 10	
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	32,396 1 3	314,611 15 9	18,772 11 3	215,521 6 3	68.50	767 9 1	525 14 8	
Total ..	806	47,169 3 4	474,909 12 7	27,260 0 2	317,194 0 3	66.79			
MIDDLE ISLAND.—									
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,142	62,835 8 9	697,622 11 5	34,066 1 11	424,420 4 7	60.84	£ 664 16 10	£ 404 9 6	
Greymouth-Brunner	8	2,091 16 9	23,104 9 8	1,119 6 4	11,728 3 6	50.76	3,128 14 8	1,588 3 10	
Greymouth-Hokitika	24	856 12 6	9,079 5 2	575 16 1	5,684 15 1	62.61	409 16 7	256 12 1	
Westport ..	31	3,588 7 10	41,993 16 5	1,553 16 2	17,487 1 6	41.64	1,467 10 6	611 2 2	
Nelson ..	23	895 12 1	9,209 19 6	794 13 6	8,600 10 5	93.38	433 16 1	405 1 11	
Pictou ..	21	636 10 7	6,949 4 7	734 9 1	7,931 9 6	114.13	358 9 10	409 3 3	
Total ..	1,249	70,904 8 6	787,959 6 9	38,844 3 1	475,852 4 7	60.39			
Grand total ..	2,055	118,073 11 10	1,262,868 19 4	66,104 3 3	793,046 4 10	62.80			

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

Railway Department, 4th April, 1899.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TRAFFIC ON ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1898, to 4th March, 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.
	S.	R.	S.	R.														
1899	111,806	637,986	575,616	3,199,842	4,525,250	51,011	542,358	9,438	935	22,715	575,446	1005	48,861	3,006	2,219,329	29,238	2,301,439	
1898	109,138	619,648	548,239	3,031,114	4,308,139	44,902	490,015	9,113	790	21,293	521,211	851	38,013	3,322	2,058,523	38,223	2,138,932	
Inc.	2,668	18,338	27,377	168,728	217,111	6,109	52,343	325	145	1,422	54,235	154	10,848	..	160,806	..	162,507	
Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	316	..	8,985	..

All Sections.	Tons.															
	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.	
	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.
1899	78,186	0 0	92,653	8 0	81,000	0 0	286,772	8 0	366,026	16 0	436,560	2 0	1,065,350	1 0	2,406,548	15 0
1898	71,372	0 0	97,949	12 0	77,055	0 0	290,932	3 0	382,989	3 0	423,096	2 0	971,768	16 0	2,315,162	16 0
Increase	6,814	0 0	..	..	3,945	0 0	..	..	..	..	13,464	0 0	93,581	5 0	91,385	19 0
Decrease	..	..	5,296	4 0	..	..	4,159	15 0	16,962	7 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	58,711	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, 4th April, 1899.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ALEXANDER FORBES, of Otama, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Gore, on the 11th day of April, 1899, at 12 o'clock noon.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 30th March, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that STEPHEN GLADING, of Wellington, Painter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 5th April, 1899.

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

Name of company: Hauraki (N.Z.) Associated 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: 7th May, 1897; 20th July, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: Active.

Where business is conducted, and names of Attorneys: 103, Queen Street, Auckland; Malcolm Niccol, Arthur Heather, and John Henry Porter.

Where mine is situate: Tokatea, Coromandel.

Nominal capital: £100,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £86,201 16s.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: £5,398 5s. 8d.

Price paid to vendors of mine—

(a.) In fully paid-up shares: Nil.

(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as 3s. 3d. paid up: £70,038 19s. 3d.

(c.) In cash: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 500,000.

Number of shares on Colonial Register: 163,050.

Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): 4s.

Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): 9d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): 54; £632 15s. 2d.

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: 221.

Number of men employed by company in colony: 50 (31st October).

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: 2,163 oz.; £6,138 4s. 10d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: 2,163 oz.; £6,138 4s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement: £12,634 2s. 11d.

Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £12,634 2s. 11d.

Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £2,113 8s. 5d.

Amount of cash in hand in colony: £10.

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

Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.

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

I, John Henry Porter, of Auckland, an Attorney of the Hauraki (N.Z.) Associated 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 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."

J. H. PORTER,
Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 27th day of March, 1899, before me—Jas. M. Lennox, J.P. 363

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 12th July, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: Building dredge.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Samuel Crow, Dunedin.

Nominal capital: £7,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,000.

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

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000, of £1 each.

Number of shares allotted: 7,000.

Amount paid per share: £1.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 77.

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: Not in operation.

Total expenditure since registration: £7,555 18s. 5d.

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: £2,555 18s. 5d.

I, Samuel Crow, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Magnetic 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, 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."

SAML. CROW,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of February, 1899, before me—W. G. Riddell, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 367

NOTICE is hereby given that the situation of the Offices, or places of business, in New Zealand of the following companies, viz.,—

The Britannia (Hauraki) Gold-mining Company (Limited),

The Waitaia Gold-mines (Limited), and

The Hampton Plains Exploration Company (Limited), has been changed from Coromandel to Halyday's Building, Shortland Street, Auckland.

HESKETH AND RICHMOND,
Solicitors.

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

Part of Section 6, Block XXI., District of Clutha.—ROBERT MEIKLE, Applicant. Occupied by Thomas Telford. No. 4295.

Allotment 4, Township of Williamstown.—MARGARET THOM, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4296.

Part of Section 2, Block III., Town of Dunedin.—WILLIAM KING, Applicant. Occupied by Donald T. Pearson and Thomas Hughan. No. 4297.

Section 63, Block 5, Town of Dunedin.—JANE LYMBURNER FINDLAY MURDOCH, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4298.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

A PPLICATION having been made to me by **GEORGE ROBINSON**, of Kapiti, Labourer, to issue to him a provisional certificate of title for one undivided moiety of Section 6, Block VIII., Town of Kapiti, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Register-book, Vol. lvi., folio 218; and satisfactory evidence having been produced of the loss of the original certificate of title, I hereby give notice that I shall issue a provisional certificate, as requested, to the said George Robinson at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of publication hereof.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

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

Section 16, Block XI., Town of Dunedin.—**ALEXANDER HASTIE**, Applicant. Occupied by John Beveridge. No. 4294.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 27th day of March, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

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LEASE 2880—**JAMES EVANS** to **EDWIN TOMS**—of Lot 1 on deposited Plan No. 26 of subdivision of Section 388, Palmerston North, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. ix., folio 120.—Notice of re-entry and cancellation of above lease will be entered on the said certificate, on the application of James Evans, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 6th day of May, 1899.

Dated this 5th day of April, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

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

760. **MARY BUTTERWORTH**.—Part of Section 1444, and Section 1445, Town of New Plymouth, 1 rood 21½ perches.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 1280).
Dated this 29th day of March, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

THE Partnership carried on by us, under the style of "Walsh Brothers," steamboat-owners and carriers, on the Waipa and Waikato Rivers, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be carried on in future by Matthew Walsh in his own name. All accounts due to the firm must be paid to the said Matthew Walsh.

Dated this 1st day of November, 1898.

MATTHEW WALSH,
JAMES WALSH.

Witness to the signature of the said Matthew Walsh—**A. Swarbrick**, Solicitor, Hamilton.

Witness to the signature of the said James Walsh—**William Speirs.** 372

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and of the Leviathan Railway Terminus Hotel Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the following resolution was passed at an extraordinary general meeting of the Leviathan Railway Terminus Hotel Company (Limited), duly convened, and held at Dunedin on the 15th February, 1899, and confirmed as a special resolution at an extraordinary general meeting of the above-named company, duly convened for that purpose, and held at Dunedin on the 13th March, 1899: namely, "That the Leviathan Railway Terminus Hotel Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of 'The Companies Act, 1882,' and the various Acts amending the said Act; and that Mr. Alexander George Christopher, of Dunedin, Accountant, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding-up."

Dated at Dunedin, this 14th day of March, 1899.

JAMES MACFIE,
Chairman.

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CHANGE OF NAME.

I HEREBY give notice that I have assumed the additional Christian name "Blair," and will henceforth use the names "William Blair Tait" on all occasions.
Dunedin, 30th March, 1899.

WM. BLAIR TAIT,
Insurance Agent,
Ratray Street, Dunedin.

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