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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 Ranfurly, 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.
MATARO BLOCK.

Area.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked
A. R. P.				
1,486 0 0	44	XI.	Waitara	.. 40535

As the same are delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with purple.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of Land for Road in Block IX., Taraketi, Ongo Survey District.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Area.	Being Portion of	Block.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.					
19 1 26·2	Taraketi Block	IX.	Ongo ..	47 A-H	Brown.

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

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Extending Time for Preparation of Valuation List of Borough of City of Auckland.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighth day of May, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS it has been made to appear that the valuation list of the Borough of City of Auckland cannot be completed by or within the time mentioned in "The Rating Act, 1894":

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers vested in him by the said "Rating Act, 1894," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the time for completing the preparation of such valuation list until the seventeenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; and doth also extend the time during which such valuation list shall be open for inspection, and during which objections thereto may be made, until the seventeenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighth day of May, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS it has been made to appear that certain things required to be done by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The Municipal Franchise Reform Act, 1898," in connection with the making and revision of the burgess lists or rolls of the Borough of City of Auckland cannot be done by or within the time required by the said Acts:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and its amendments, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the times for the doing of the several acts and things set forth in the Schedule hereto, and required to be done in connection with the burgess lists or rolls of the said Borough of City of Auckland, and doth hereby declare that the times for the doing of such several acts and things shall be those which are specified in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

1. Burgess list to be made out on or before the 11th July, 1899.
2. Burgess and defaulters' lists open for inspection, and delivery of objections thereto, until the 25th July, 1899.
3. Inspection of lists of objections, from the 26th July, 1899, to the 31st July, 1899.
4. Sitting of Council to determine claims and objections, between 1st August and 5th August, 1899.
5. Burgess roll to come into force on the 26th August, 1899.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Amending Regulations under "The Stamp Act, 1882."

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighth day of May, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS by Order in Council bearing date the eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the thirteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, regulations were made under the provisions of "The Stamp Act, 1882," providing for the payment of certain duties, fees, fines, and penalties by means of stamps: And whereas it is expedient to amend such regulations in the manner hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by "The Stamp Act, 1882," 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 additional regulation set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth hereby notify and declare that such additional regulation shall form part of the said recited regulations of the eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and shall take effect on and after the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SCHEDULE.

2b. THE stamps for the fees, fines, and penalties payable under "The Mining Act, 1898," in respect of the several matters or proceedings specified in the first column hereunder written, shall be impressed upon or affixed to the document specified opposite such matters or proceedings in the second column hereunder written, that is to say,—

FEES, FINES, AND PENALTIES UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1898."

First Column. Matter in respect of which Fee is payable.	Second Column. Document on which Stamp is to be placed.
For any application in respect of any matter	The application.
For every search	The search-book.
For copy of any registered instrument	The instrument or a praecepe.
Fines under section 140, subsection (5)	The instrument.
Every other fine or penalty paid to the officer of the Court	The Record-book, opposite the case.
WARDEN'S COURT.	
Summonses to defendant	..
Summonses to witnesses	..
Service of summonses, if to be made by bailiff within one mile of the Courthouse	..
Hearing	..
Adjournment of hearing, when made on application of plaintiff or defendant	..
Filing demand for assessors	..
Notice of payment into Court	..
Order of the Court or a Warden in a suit	..
Entering of judgment	..
Filing notice of ground of appeal	..
Distress warrant	..
Issuing warrant to bailiff to deliver possession to a plaintiff or defendant of premises recovered	..
Poundage on the sum levied or received in execution, for every £1	..
Serving or executing any writ of arrest, injunction, writ of attachment, or any summons, order, warrant, precept, writ, or other process not hereinbefore provided for, if within one mile of the Courthouse	..
Auctioneers' commission on goods sold, not exceeding 5 per cent., where the bailiff acts as auctioneer	..
Advertising—For three lines of space, not exceeding 3s., and 3d. for every additional line	..
Executing distress warrant against the goods, if satisfied within two hours of the levy	..
For every document required in proceedings and not enumerated in the Schedule	..
For copy of any proceedings, every complete folio of ninety words or part thereof	..
Cartage of goods seized in execution to auction-room or place of security: reasonable expenses actually paid, to be supported by voucher	..
Filing any consent or agreement	..
Filing notice of any application for a rehearing	..
For every search	..
For mileage for service of any summons, process, or notice, or execution of any warrant	..

A document to be provided for the purpose, in the form set out in the Schedule hereto.

Search-book.
(The back of the Treasury voucher in favour of the person entitled to be paid such mileage.

In the Warden's Court
holden at
Between
and
Fees collected in Stamps.

SCHEDULE.

No.

, plaintiff,
, defendant.

Amount of Stamps affixed.	Nature of Fee.	Date of Payment.
[Affix stamps in this column.]		

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Parts of the Berwick-Waipori Road to be County Roads.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighth day of May, 1899.

Present:

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by section one hundred and two of "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 declare that the roads described in the Schedules below shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, become county roads.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

BERWICK-WAIPORI ROAD.

ALL that portion of the Berwick-Waipori Road commencing at a point marked "A" on the plan referred to hereunder, the said point "A" being situated on the road forming the southern boundary of Section 17, Block XV., Maungatua Survey District, and about 4 chains in an easterly direction from the western boundary thereof; proceeding thence generally in a north-westerly direction to a point marked "B," where the said road is intersected by the dividing-line between the Tuapeka and Taieri Counties: all in the Taieri County: as the same is delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18508, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

BERWICK-WAIPORI ROAD.

ALL that portion of the Berwick-Waipori Road commencing at a point marked "B" on the plan referred to in the First Schedule hereto, and proceeding thence generally in a north-westerly direction, and terminating at a point on the southern side of the road forming the southern boundary of Section No. 6, Block VIII., Waipori Survey District, the said point being marked "C" on the plan herein referred to: all in the Tuapeka County: as the same is delineated on the plan numbered P.W.D. 18508, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured purple.

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!

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Feilding District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that hares, cock pheasants, and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Feilding District, described in the Schedule hereto, from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette* to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Postmasters at Feilding and Ashhurst are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game (excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe) may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette* to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, both days inclusive.

SCHEDULE.

FEILDING AND DISTRICT ACCLIMATISATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District bounded towards the north by the Kawhatau and Pourangaki Streams from the Rangitikei River to the summit of the Ruahine Range: thence towards the east generally by the summit of that range to the Manawatu Gorge, and by the Manawatu River to the Raukawa Road: thence towards the south generally by that road, which forms the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 455 and 454, Block VIII., Kairanga Survey District, to the Palmerston-Ashhurst Road; thence by that road to Stony Creek Road; thence by that road and the railway-line to the Oroua River; thence by that river to Awahuri; and thence by the Awahuri-Bul's Road to the Rangitikei River: and towards the north-west generally by the Rangitikei River to the Kawhatau Stream aforesaid.

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

J. CARROLL.

Inspector of Weights and Measures, County and Borough of Patea, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th May, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable MICHAEL O'BRIEN

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

J. CARROLL.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th May, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN WATT

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Okarito, *vice* George Thomson, on and from the 1st June, 1899.

J. CARROLL.

Public Vaccinator, Auckland District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th May, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN ADOLPHUS LAING, Esq., M.D., Univ. Edin.,

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

J. CARROLL.

School Commissioner appointed.

Education Department,
Wellington, 15th May, 1899.

PURSUANT to "The Education Reserves Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1892," the Board of the Education District of Wanganui has appointed

FRANK YATES LETHBRIDGE, Esq., M.H.R.,

to be a School Commissioner for the Provincial District of Wellington.

W. C. WALKER.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

Name.	District.
Constable MICHAEL O'BRIEN	The North Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Labour.

Special Order made by the Pukekohe West Road Board, County of Manukau.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

J. CARROLL.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

SIR,—At a meeting of the Pukekohe West Road Board held on the 28th October, 1898, the following special order was passed:—

Mr. Jacob H. Wright moved, seconded by Mr. James Potter, Chairman, "That the remainder of this road district, leaving out the Buckland Subdivision, be subdivided into the three (3) following parts, and to be known as the Hill Subdivision, Township Subdivision, and Puni Subdivision, one member each to represent Hill and Township Subdivisions, and two (2) members to represent Puni Subdivision."

I certify that the above special order has been duly passed in accordance with "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

THOMAS G. USHER,
Clerk to the Pukekohe West Road Board.

1st May, 1899.

THE PUKEKOHE WEST ROAD DISTRICT.
Township Subdivision.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District commencing at a point in Allotment No. 98 of Section No. 2 of small lots in the Pukekohe Settlement, at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms its north-eastern boundary, such point being the termination of a right line running parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms the north-western boundary of Allotment No. 23 of Section No. 1 of the aforesaid settlement. Bounded towards the north-west generally by a line

running from the point aforesaid parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms the north-western boundary of Allotment No. 23 aforesaid, the north-western boundaries of Allotments Nos. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32, the north-western and northern boundary of Allotment No. 33, and the northern boundaries of Allotments Nos. 34, 6, and 125, all of Section No. 1 aforesaid, to a point within Allotment No. 5 at a distance of 3 chains to the westward of the middle of the road which forms its eastern boundary; thence northerly and north-easterly by a line running parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the last-named road, which road forms the south-eastern boundaries of Allotments Nos. 4, 3, 2, and 1, all of Section No. 1 aforesaid; thence easterly by a line running parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms the south-western boundary of Allotment No. 59, and by the right line aforesaid produced easterly to the Auckland-Waikato railway-line; thence towards the east generally by that railway-line to the southern boundary-line of Section No. 16 of the Parish of Pukekohe; thence westerly along part of the southern boundary of Section No. 16 aforesaid; thence southerly by a line running parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms the western boundary of Section No. 39, also of the Parish of Pukekohe aforesaid, to a point within the said section being the termination of another right line lying parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms the southern boundary of Allotment No. 17 of Section No. 2 aforesaid; towards the south by the right line last-named running westerly, parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the aforesaid road, which also forms the southern boundaries of Allotments Nos. 16, 25, 22, 281, 38B, 38A, 52, 51, 50, and 49, also of Section No. 2 aforesaid, to a point within Allotment No. 64 being the termination of another right line running parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the road which forms the western boundary of Allotment No. 49 aforesaid; and towards the west generally by the right line last named running northerly and north-westerly, parallel to and at a distance of 3 chains from the middle of the aforesaid road, which also forms the western boundary of Allotment No. 48 of Section No. 2 aforesaid and the south-western boundaries of Allotments Nos. 84, 21, and 23 of Section No. 1 of small lots in the Settlement of Pukekohe aforesaid, and by the aforesaid right line continued to the point of commencement.

Pukekohe Hill Subdivision.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, commencing at the south-western angle of the township subdivision hereinbefore described, bounded towards the north by the southern boundary of the township subdivision to the Auckland-Waikato Railway: towards the north-east by the railway aforesaid to the northernmost angle of the Buckland Subdivision: towards the south-east generally by the north-western boundary of the Buckland Subdivision, as described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 66, 5th August, 1897: towards the south by a line along the middle of the Waikato River to a point in the same being the termination of a right line produced in continuance of the western boundary of Section No. 78: thence towards the north-west generally by a right line to and by part of the western boundary of Section No. 78 aforesaid to a point on the same being the place of intersection by a right line produced south westerly in continuance of the north-western boundary of Section No. 74 of the Parish of Puni; thence by the right line aforesaid, the south-western boundaries of Section No. 74 aforesaid and No. 75, the south-western and south-eastern boundaries of Section No. 76, and the latter boundary produced north-easterly across the Mauku Tramway; thence by part of the south-western boundary of Section No. 70, the south-western boundary of Section No. 69, the south-western, north-western, and northern boundaries of Section No. 68, and the south-eastern and north-eastern boundaries of Section No. 61, also of the Parish of Puni aforesaid, to its northern angle; thence by a line across a road to the north-western angle of Allotment No. 215 of small lots of Section No. 2 of the Pukekohe Settlement; thence by the north-western boundaries of Allotments Nos. 215 aforesaid, 214, 213, 212, 211, and 210, across another road, and by the north-western boundaries of Allotments Nos. 271, 209, 208, 207, 206, and 205, across another road, by part of the south-western boundary of Allotment No. 81, by its north-western boundary, and by that boundary produced across another road, by part of the south-western boundary of Allotment No. 66, its south-eastern and part of its north-eastern boundaries, and by the south-eastern boundary of Allotment No. 67, also of Section No. 2 of small lots aforesaid, its north-eastern boundary; thence by that boundary and part of the north-western boundary of Allotment No. 64 to the crossing of the western boundary of the township subdivision near the commencing-point.

Puni Subdivision.

All that area in the Auckland Land District bounded towards the north by the Parishes of Waiau and Karaka from the eastern boundary of Puni Parish to the south-western angle of Section No. 1 of the Parish of Pukekohe; towards the east generally by the western boundaries of Sections Nos. 2 and 5 and part of the western boundary of Section No. 29 as far as the south-eastern angle of Section No. 14 of the said Parish of Pukekohe; thence by the southern boundary of Section No. 14, and by that boundary produced westerly to the eastern boundary of the township subdivision hereinbefore described; thence by part of its eastern boundary and its northern and western boundaries to its south-western angle; and thence by the north-western boundary of the Pukekohe Hill Subdivision (hereinbefore described) to the middle of the Waikato River, and by a line along the middle of the Waikato River to a point in line with the south-western boundary-line of the Purapura Native Reserve; thence towards the west generally by a right line to and by that boundary-line, and by the western and north-western boundary-lines of that reserve, by the south-eastern, south-western, north-western, and north-eastern boundary-lines of Section No. 2, Puni Parish, by the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 17, by Sections Nos. 3, 16, 38, and 39, the road forming part of the north-eastern boundary of Section No. 40, by Sections Nos. 36, 34, and 32, Puni Parish, and by part of the north-eastern boundary of the Puni Parish to the southern boundary of Waiau Parish aforesaid.

Special Order made by the Hunua Road Board, County of Manukau.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

J. CARROLL.

HUNUA ROAD DISTRICT.

A SPECIAL ORDER made by the Hunua Road Board on the 4th March, 1899, and confirmed at a Subsequent Meeting on the 1st April, 1899.

RESOLVED, That the Hunua Road Board make a special order to borrow from the Government, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," the sum of £700 for the purpose of compensation for land required for the new Hunua Main Road, together with the expenses in connection with the alteration of the district's boundaries, and of raising the loan. The interest and sinking fund for the same to be met and secured by an annual-recurring special rate for twenty-six years of $\frac{1}{10}$ d. upon the following properties: namely, Sections 81, 79, 179, 9, 213, 10, 13, 70, 40, 47, 15, 59, 68, 17, 45, 73, 74, 53, 52, 51, 24, 87, 25, 88, 130, 228A, 18, 12, 14, 11, 16, 123, 23, 90, 92, 94, 95, 96, 227, 97, 129, 126, 122, 121, 82, 93, 44, 53, 50, 54, 56, 26, 72, 71, 127, and all the properties on the eastern side of River Road, and recently transferred from the Opapeke Road District into the Hunua Road District; also four parts of Section 52, as recently transferred from the Opapeke North Road District into the Hunua Road District by Order in Council of the 26th January, 1899, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 2nd February, 1899.

I hereby certify that the foregoing special order has been made in accordance with law, and that all the provisions of the Road Boards Act and Local Bodies' Loans Act of 1886 have been complied with.

ALFRED W. BELL,
Chairman, Hunua Road Board.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Hunua Road District, County of Manukau.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

J. CARROLL.

RESULT OF POLL for Proposed Loan of £700 for the Purpose of Compensation for Land required for the New Hunua Main Road, and for other Purposes.

Hunua Road District Subdivision.—Proposed Loan of £700.

Result of poll taken on the 15th April, 1899:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 58, representing 61 votes: Number of ratepayers voting in favour, 43; number

of votes recorded in favour, 44; number of votes recorded against, 2; number of ratepayers not voting, 15; number of votes not recorded, 15.

A majority in number of ratepayers, being entitled to a majority in number of the votes which can be exercised by the whole number of ratepayers, having voted in favour of the proposal, I therefore declare such proposal to be duly carried.

ALFRED W. BELL,
Chairman.

17th April, 1899.

Approving and appointing a Bonding Warehouse.

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

Port of Lyttelton.

Portion of a concrete cellar of a brick-and-stone building situate on Town Section No. 856, Cashel Street, Christchurch, to be known as

McINTYRE'S BOND.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Commissioner of Trade and Customs.
Commissioner's Order No. 601.]

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, William Hall-Jones, acting for 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 18th day of May, 1899:—

PART IV.—GOODS: LOCAL RATES.

HURUNUI—BLUFF SECTION.

Frozen meat consigned to Islington will be charged as follows:—

	s.	d.
From Bluff and Ocean Beach	41	2 per ton.
From Mataura	37	10

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Acting for Minister for Railways.

Notice under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act Amendment Act, 1895," appointing an Hour for closing on Saturday Night.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 13th May, 1899.

IN exercise of the power in this behalf conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act Amendment Act, 1895," and in accordance with a requisition signed by a three-fifths majority of the shopkeepers in the Borough of Pahiatua, I, Richard John Seddon, Minister of Labour, hereby intimate that from and after the 20th day of May, 1899, all the shops in the said Borough of Pahiatua shall be closed on the evening of Saturday in each week at the hour of 9 of the clock.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Award of the Imperial Volunteer Officers' Decoration.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th April, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to approve of the issue of the Imperial Volunteer Officers' Decoration to

Captain EDWARD NELSON LYDEARD OKEY,
Taranaki Rifle Volunteers, he having a total broken efficient commissioned and rank service counting towards the decoration, to the 28th February, 1899, of twenty-one years twenty-nine days.

T. THOMPSON,

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th May, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by

Captain WILLIAM STILL LITTLEJOHN

as Adjutant of the Nelson Militia and Volunteer District.
Date of resignation, 28th February, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Honorary Volunteer Officer transferred.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th May, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the transfer of

Honorary Chaplain the Reverend WILLIAM EUGENE GILLAM from the Temuka Rifle Volunteers to the Auckland Mounted Rifle Volunteers, with effect from the 9th December, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

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.

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 for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,
Wellington, 17th February, 1899.

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 (100,000lb.) 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.

I, COLIN McKENZIE GORDON, Registrar of the Supreme Court for the District of Otago and Southland, do hereby notify that an affidavit, a copy of which is hereunder given, by William Henry Fulton, of "W. H. Fulton and Company (Limited)," has been lodged in the Magistrate's Court at Dunedin, and forwarded to me; and that, unless notice of objection be lodged with me within sixty days of this date, I shall proceed to declare the said company to be dissolved in manner provided by "The Companies Act, 1882."

COLIN McK. GORDON,
Registrar.

Signed this 24th day of April, 1899.

I, William Henry Fulton, Managing Director of "W. H. Fulton and Company (Limited)," incorporated under "The Companies Act, 1882," do hereby make oath and say,—

That the nominal capital of the said company is £3,000, in 300 shares of £10 each;

That the shares have been fully paid up;

That the company has no assets, and has ceased to carry on its operations.

And I, the said William Henry Fulton, do hereby apply for declaration of dissolution of such company.

W. H. FULTON.

Sworn before me, this 14th day of March, 1899—E. H. Carew, Stipendiary Magistrate.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

Alexander Campbell, late of Kingsdown, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on the 12th day of May, 1899.

Lars Johnston, late of Okain's Bay, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on the 12th day of May, 1899.

A. A. DUNCAN,
Deputy Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 16 perches, more or less, being part of Rural Section 321, in or near the Town of Kaiapoi, having a frontage to Ohoka Road of 100 links by a depth of 100 links. The last registered owner is William Hutchinson, described as of Kaiapoi, storekeeper, who is reported to be dead, leaving no known relatives. The land is in the occupation of Joseph Loveday, of Kaiapoi, labourer.

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

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

Dated this 17th day of May, 1899.

A. A. DUNCAN,
Deputy Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 40 acres, more or less, being the south-eastern portion of Allotment 52, Parish of Waikiekie, Block 15, Tangihua

Survey District, in the Provincial District of Auckland. The grantee is O. P. Sweeting, of whose whereabouts nothing is known.

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

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

Dated this 17th day of May, 1899.

A. A. DUNCAN,
Deputy Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 1 acre, more or less, being Allotment 63, Section 2, Town of Opotiki, in the Provincial District of Auckland. The only registration in respect of this land is a sale-note dated the 8th February, 1867, from John White, described as of Opotiki, settler, to Joseph Mulligan, described as of Auckland, licensed victualler, neither of whom can be traced. The said John White is the grantee of the land, and therein described as "late private in First Regiment of Waikato Militia."

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

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

Dated this 11th day of May, 1899.

A. A. DUNCAN,
Deputy Public Trustee.

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 19.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

Congregational Independents.
The Reverend Edward Taylor.
E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Tenders for Castor-oil, New Zealand Railways.

Railway Department (Head Office), Wellington, 15th May, 1899.

THE under-mentioned successful and unsuccessful tender rates for the supply of 6,000 gallons of castor-oil for the New Zealand Railways are published for general information.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

Tenderer.	600 Gallons at Auckland.	1,800 Gallons at Wellington.	1,800 Gallons at Lyttelton.	1,800 Gallons at Port Chalmers.	Remarks.
Ashby, Bergh, and Co.	2s. 4d. per gall.	2s. 4d. per gall.	2s. 4d. per gall.	2s. 4d. per gall.	Accepted.
E. W. Mills and Co.	2s. 4½d. "	2s. 4½d. "	2s. 4½d. "	2s. 4½d. "	
Murray, Roberts, and Co.	2s. 5d. "	2s. 5d. "	2s. 5d. "	2s. 5d. "	Declined.
H. Markwald	2s. 10d. "	2s. 10d. "	2s. 10d. "	2s. 10d. "	
National Mortgage and Agency Co. (Limited)	2s. 4½d. "	2s. 4½d. "	2s. 4½d. "	2s. 4½d. "	
Harty and Co.	2s. 6d. "	2s. 6d. "	2s. 6d. "	2s. 6d. "	
A. R. Hislop	2s. 3d. "	2s. 3d. "	2s. 3d. "	2s. 3d. "	Informal.

Crown Lands Notices.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 15th May, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the green kauri timber on Crown land close to the southern boundary of the Owai Block, Helena Bay, and within Block I., Opuawhanga Survey District, comprising 96 trees, and containing about 350,000 superficial feet, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 7th day of July, 1899, at 11 o'clock a.m. Upset price, £175.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance within six months thereafter. Timber to be removed within two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Four Lots in Richardson Village, Patea County, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 8th May, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the leases of the under-mentioned lots will be offered by public auction, at the Public Hall, Waverley, on Thursday, the 15th June, 1899. If any lots be not sold on the above date, they will remain open for selection at the upset rentals, and for the terms stated below.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Richardson Village.

Lot.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	
		£	s. d.
II.	A. R. P. 6 2 0	3	15 2
VII.	6 3 0	3	15 6
VIII.	6 3 0	3	11 0
IX.	5 3 5	3	8 9

Term: Fourteen years.

These lots are situated in Richardson Village, which is about eight miles distant by good dray-road from Waverley and Waitotara Townships, and about two miles from Momohaki Creamery. The lots comprise flat land, generally speaking; II. and IX. have been grassed, and it is expected that VII. and VIII. will be in grass when offered. The soil is loam, resting on a sandstone formation. There is no water on these lots, except on IX., on which there is a spring. The general quality of the land is good.

The following improvements have been effected, and are included in capital values on which rentals are based: Lot II., 7½ chains fencing and 8 chains of hedge, £10 2s. 6d.; Lot VII., 16 chains fencing, £8; Lot VIII., 7 chains fencing, £3 10s.; and Lot IX., 22 chains fencing, £11.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. A deposit of six months' rent at the rate offered, together with lease-fee of £1 ls., must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

2. Possession will be given on the 1st of July, 1899.

3. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may at any time resume possession of the land comprised in the lease by giving twelve months' notice to the lessee thereof of his intention to do so.

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 the land comprised in this lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

6. The land shall not be cropped nor broken up without the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

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

8. The lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land 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.

9. 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.

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

Kauri Timber, Bay of Islands County, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 6th May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned green kauri timber will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 23rd day of June, 1899, at 11 a.m.

About 190,000 sup. ft., standing on Section 6, Block I., Hukerenui Survey District: Upset price, £95. Situated about two miles from Towai Post-office and eight miles from Kawakawa.

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

Timber to be removed within one year from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned green and singed kauri timber, standing within the Puhipuhi State Forest, in Block VIII., Hukerenui Survey District, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 2nd day of June, 1899, at 11 a.m.

No. 1A.: Comprising 721 green kauri-trees, containing about 2,534,150 sup. ft., and 42 singed kauri-trees, containing about 73,000 sup. ft.; upset price, £1,303 11s. 6d.

One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance within twelve months thereafter. Timber to be removed within four years from date of sale, and to be carried by railway to Whangarei from Whakapara Booms.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Quarry Reserve, Suburbs of Auckland, for Lease by Public Tender.

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

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned reserve is offered for lease by public tender for the term of fourteen years.

Tenders will be received at this office up to 4 p.m. on Friday, the 26th May, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

PART of Lot 6A, Section 17, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 10 acres.

GERHARD MUELLER,
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.
			A.	R. P.	
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 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 have been fulfilled.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Marlborough, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 22nd April, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease, upon application at this office, on Wednesday, 7th June, 1899, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—PINE VALLEY, MOUNT OLYMPUS, AND PATRIARCH SURVEY DISTRICTS.

Second-class Land.

Run No.	Area.			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
121	4,495	0	0	0	2.1	19	13 4
122	4,594	0	0	0	1.8	17	4 7
123	4,634	0	0	0	3	28	19 3
124	1,090	0	0	0	3	6	16 3
125	1,250	0	0	0	3	7	16 3
126	1,136	0	0	0	2.4	5	13 7

Run No. 121: About 3,000 acres open, mostly fern and scrub, with native grass in the valleys; 600 acres of this are rocky tops, covered with snow in winter; 1,500 acres birch bush. Well watered. Nearly all steep hills, rising to 4,500 ft.; very broken. Thirty miles from Blenheim by road.

Run No. 122: Two-thirds fern and scrub, one-third birch bush; 100 acres flat in fern and grass. Well watered. The whole run is very broken; 400 acres rocky tops, rising to 4,500 ft., covered with snow in winter. Thirty-two miles from Blenheim by road.

Run No. 123: Two-thirds open, of which 600 acres are small flats and downs—fair agricultural land; remainder fern, scrub, flax, and native grass—very broken, pastoral only: one-third birch bush. Six hundred acres rocky tops, rising to 4,000 ft., covered with snow in winter. Thirty-five miles from Blenheim by road.

Run No. 124: About 20 acres English grass, 150 acres birch bush, remainder fern and scrub. Thirty acres flat; remainder steep hills, pastoral only. Altitude, 550 ft. to 2,365 ft. Well watered. Two-roomed cottage, small orchard. Twenty-two miles from Blenheim by road.

Run No. 125: Ten acres English grass, 140 acres birch bush, remainder fern and scrub. Nearly all steep hills,

very broken; pastoral only. Well watered. Small orchard. Altitude, 550 ft. to 2,712 ft. Twenty miles from Blenheim by road.

Run No. 126: About 40 acres flat; remainder steep hills, very broken, pastoral only. Twenty acres birch bush; remainder fern and scrub. Well watered. Thirty acres English grass. Small orchard. Thirty chains boundary-fence, 30 chains interior fence. Twenty-two miles from Blenheim by road.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Wellington for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 2nd May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown land will be offered for lease by public auction on Wednesday, 21st June, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
Mount Robinson Survey District.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of Lease.
86	XI.	A. R. P. 3 2 32	£ s. d. 1 10 0	7 years.

The section is situated on the Manawatu River, near the main road between Foxton and Shannon, the access being from Foxton, which is about seven miles and a half distant by dray-road.

The section is open, and mostly in grass. The soil is alluvial, of rich quality, and rests on a shingle formation. It is well watered.

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
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.		
		A.	R.	P.
15	VI.	2	0	0

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

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 2nd May, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 21st day of June, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
PAKIHUKURA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
5	..	7 0 30	2 9.6	0 10 1
9	..	11 0 21	2 6	0 13 11
KAREWAREWA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.				
14	..	10 3 20	2 2.4	0 12 0

Locality and Description of Sections.

Section 5 is situated in the Pakihikura Village Settlement, in the Otamakapua Block. The access is from Hunterville, which is about twelve miles distant, *via* the Vinegar Hill Road and Bridge, through the Livingstone Township and Pakihikura Road. There is a formed dray-road to the sections; accessible also from Feilding *via* Waituna Valley and other roads. The section comprises flat or slightly undulating country: the whole would be ploughable when the bush is felled and stumped. The soil is of good quality, 6 in. to 12 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-shingle formation. The forest is heavy throughout, comprising chiefly rimu, matai, hinau, tawa, rata, &c., with a light undergrowth of the usual kind. The section is watered by a small stream. The elevation is about 1,000 ft. above sea-level.

Section 9 is situated in the Pakihikura Village Settlement, in the Otamakapua Block. The access is from Hunterville, which is about twelve miles distant, *via* the Vinegar Hill Road and Bridge, through the Livingstone Township and Pakihikura Valley Road, which is formed for dray traffic to and past the land. The section comprises mostly flat or undulating land. The soil is of good quality, 6 in. to 12 in. in depth, resting on papa-and-shingle formation. The forest is heavy throughout, comprising chiefly rimu, matai, hinau, tawa, rata, &c., with a light undergrowth of the usual kind. The elevation is about 1,000 ft. above sea-level.

Section 14 is situated in the Karewarewa Village Settlement. The access is from Rangiwahia, which is about three miles and a half distant, *via* the Kimbolton, Pukerini, and Apiti Roads, which are formed for dray traffic almost to the land. The section comprises flat land, somewhat stony. The soil is of good quality, resting on shingle formation. The forest is heavy throughout, comprising chiefly rimu and matai, with a few totara trees, and a thick undergrowth of the usual kind. The section is well watered by the Mangawhariki Stream. The elevation is about 1,200 ft. above sea-level. Weighted for improvements, comprising 4 acres felled and grassed, at £1 15s.—£7.

TERMS OF LEASE.

1. The lands enumerated hereon are first-class lands, and are village-homestead allotments, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").
2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 21st day of June, 1899.
3. The rentals stated hereon shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.
4. Applications for leases shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act; and all such applications shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington; and leases will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.
5. Each applicant shall state his or her residence, occupation, and condition in life (namely, whether married or single), and will be required to make the declaration prescribed in Schedule C of the said Act.
6. Each applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent, together with the lease- and registration-fee, and the valuation of the improvements, immediately the application has been approved or declared successful at the ballot.
7. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided: The next payment will become due on 1st January, 1900.
8. No lessee shall hold more than one allotment, and such allotment shall be held for his or her sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.
9. No lessee shall subdivide, sublet, or transfer the land held by him under these regulations, except under and subject to the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.
10. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in each lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations.
11. All the provisions of the said Act, so far as applicable, shall extend and apply to the lands affected by these regulations, and to the applications and leases to be made and issued thereunder, and generally to the interests created, and the persons whose rights, liabilities, or interests are thereby affected; and the mention of any particular provision of the said Act shall not be deemed to exclude any other provision of the said Act applicable to the particular case.

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

Reserves for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 2nd May, 1899.

WRITTEN tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, up to 4 p.m. on Thursday, 22nd June, 1899, for the leases of the under-mentioned sections. If any sections are unapplied for on the 22nd June, 1899, they will remain open for selection at the upset rentals, and for the terms stated below.

SCHEDULE.**WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.**

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
KIMBOLTON TOWNSHIP (LATE BIRMINGHAM).				
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
57	..	0 3 9	0 10 0	7 years.
16	..	1 2 20	0 15 0	7 years.
KIMBOLTON SUBURBS.				
22A	..	1 0 0	0 10 0	7 years.
35	..	1 2 5	0 10 0	7 years.
MANGATAINOKA VILLAGE.—MANGAHAO SURVEY DISTRICT.				
20	XVII.	0 2 30	1 18 6	14 years.
TAIHAPE TOWNSHIP.				
3	V.	0 1 0	1 5 0	7 years.
AWARUA BLOCK.—HAUTAPU SURVEY DISTRICT.				
30	III.	23 0 0	1 17 5	7 years.

Section 57, Kimbolton Township, is situated at the junction of Lind Street with Henderson Street. It is nearly all flat, covered with bush consisting chiefly of makomako, konini, supplejacks, pongas, and ferns, with a few rimu and tawas; there is a small stream on the section, to which no road has been formed.

Section 16, Kimbolton Township, is situated at the junction of Waugh and Grammar Streets. The whole has been felled and grassed; there is no water on the section, and no formed road to it.

Section 22A, Kimbolton Suburbs, is situated on Edward Street, which is formed and metalled to the section. The whole area is flat, covered with makomako, konini, and scrub; there is no water.

Section 35, Kimbolton Suburbs, is situated on Haggerty Street, which has not been formed. Portion is flat, and portion easy sloping ground; all trees have been burnt and grass sown.

Section 20, Block XVII., Mangahao (Mangatainoka Village), is situated adjacent to the Pahiatua Village Settlement, on the Main Road. The access is from Mangatainoka Railway-station, which is about three-quarters of a mile distant. The section comprises level land, and is in grass and partly fenced; the soil is alluvial, resting on shingle formation.

Section 3, Block V., Taihape Township, fronts the main Hunterville-Tokaanu Road, is partly fenced, and has a slab stable erected thereon. Weighted with £12 19s. 6d. for improvements: Value of fencing, £2 19s. 6d.; buildings, £10.

Section 30, Block III., Hautapu, Rangitikei County, is situated on the Mangapapa Stream, in the Awarua Block, on the left bank of the Hautapu River. The access is from Utiku, which is about two miles distant *via* the Main Trunk Road and Torere Road, which are formed for dray traffic to within about three-quarters of a mile of the section. The section comprises practically level land; the soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation; the forest is heavy throughout, comprising rimu, matai, kahikatea, totara, rata, tawa, &c., with a thick undergrowth of the usual kind; the section is watered by the Mangapapa Stream.

CONDITIONS.

1. Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque or post-office order for six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 ls. lease-fee.
2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.
3. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.
4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified above, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.

5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.
 6. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the land comprised in the lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
 7. The land shall not be cropped nor broken up.
 8. The lessee shall destroy all rabbits on the land, and he shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.
 9. The lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the

lease, and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

10. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee should 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.

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

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 2nd May, 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 21st June, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—AWARUA BLOCK.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Rangitikei	Pukeokahu..	26	XIII.	A. R. P. 250 0 0	£ s. d. 1 2 6	£ s. d. 281 5 0	s. d. 1 1·5	£ s. d. 7 0 8	s. d. 0 10·8	£ s. d. 5 12 6

This section is situated in the Awarua Block, between the Moawhango and Rangitikei Rivers. The access is from Utiku, which is about thirteen miles distant, *via* the Main Trunk, Torere, Rangitikei, and Pukeokahu Roads, which are formed for dray traffic (in summer) for about four miles; the rest is a dray-road and bridle-track in course of formation. A bridge over the Moawhango River will shortly be built. The section comprises mostly hilly land, with occasional small flats. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is partly heavy and partly light scrub and flax, comprising rimu, matai, tawa, rata, koromiko, manuka, and a few totara, with a thick undergrowth of the usual kind. The section is well watered by small streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,700 ft. to 1,800 ft. above sea-level.

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

Population of the Colony.

RETURN of the Estimated Population (exclusive and inclusive of Maoris) of the Colony of New Zealand on the 31st March, 1899.

							Males.	Females.	Total.
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 31st December, 1898							392,124	351,339	743,463
Increase during March quarter, 1899—									
			Males.	Females.	Total.				
By Births	..	..	2,487	2,286	4,773				
„ Arrivals	..	..	3,601	2,009	5,610				
							6,088	4,295	10,383
Decrease during March quarter, 1899—									
By Deaths	..	..	1,072	720	1,792				
„ Departures	..	..	3,303	2,078	5,381				
							4,375	2,798	7,173
Net increase during March quarter, 1899							1,713	1,497	3,210
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 31st March, 1899							393,837	352,836	746,673
Maori population, census, 1896*							21,673	18,181	39,854
Total estimated population of the colony on 31st March, 1899							415,510	371,017	786,527

* Later figures cannot be given, as the births and deaths of Maoris are not recorded.

REMARKS.—The above figures show that for the March quarter there was a natural increase to the population of the colony amounting to 2,981 persons, being the excess of births over deaths. This natural increase is greater than that for the March quarter of 1898, when the colony added 2,830 persons to its numbers by excess of births over deaths.

In regard to migration, it will be seen that New Zealand gained, during the March quarter, 229 persons, being the excess of arrivals over departures—a more satisfactory result than shown last year, when the departures for the three months exceeded the arrivals by 173.

Registrar-General's Office,
 Wellington, 15th May, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
 Registrar-General.

RETURN showing the CUSTOMS and EXCISE DUTIES collected at the several Ports of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st March, 1899.

CUSTOMS DUTIES.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	Rates of Duty.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Nepier.	Wairau.	Picton.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Hokitika.	Lyttelton and Christchurch.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill.	Parcels Post.	TOTALS.		Corresponding Quarter, 1898.	
																							Quantities.	Revenue.		
Spirits, \textsterling gal.	16s.	15053	6	52	1056	449	192	2595	18384	4866	453	43	2230	724	1734	878	15756	1159	1267	17820	3837	..	..	110692 gal.	£ 83554	£ 88415
" perfumed,	30s.	115	..	..	..	3	..	..	117	..	..	..	12	..	..	58	..	..	140	3	..	..	..	299 "	448	274
Cigars and Snuff, \textsterling lb.	7s.	1416	..	..	42	60	..	129	1479	419	..	..	138	86	80	136	999	12	..	2115	62	..	..	20491 lb.	7172	7539
Cigarettes	"	3220	..	..	131	259	5	372	3167	788	22	..	184	33	43	22	1432	77	17	2953	88	..	..	355183 lb.	62157	60295
Tobacco, manufactured, \textsterling lb.	3s. 6d.	14023	..	30	675	1572	49	2031	11948	3003	290	..	1814	563	1275	652	8926	363	428	12340	2175	..	..	10870 "	1087	1114
" unmanufactured, \textsterling lb.	2s.	1087	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1620 gal.	729	818
Wine, sparkling, \textsterling gal.	9s.	142	..	..	5	..	..	15	302	6	..	..	9	..	4	..	165	..	..	72	9	..	..	11416 "	2854	2762
" Australian,	5s.	307	..	..	48	27	34	79	645	142	23	..	69	28	102	55	513	51	28	612	91	..	..	13807 "	4142	4342
" other kinds,	6s.	636	..	..	43	7	..	112	1123	191	..	..	85	6	26	8	1030	40	15	622	198	..	..	37370 "	3737	4546
Ale, Beer, &c., \textsterling gal.	2s.	691	..	..	68	..	..	257	1086	236	..	..	108	..	31	..	518	20	12	615	95	..	..	1141980 lb.	19033	19480
Tea, \textsterling lb.	4d.	3836	..	26	24	211	36	159	6535	195	3	..	199	58	145	81	2418	210	46	4572	279	..	..	51960 "	433	531
Coffee, raw, \textsterling lb.	2d.	123	..	..	..	..	..	..	83	9	..	..	4	..	..	7	55	..	..	145	7	..	..	672 "	14	6
" roasted,	5d.	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	82480 "	1031	625
Chicory, Cocoa, and Chocolate, \textsterling lb.	3d.	295	..	..	2	6	..	13	223	16	..	..	5	10	..	..	140	4	..	274	43	..	..	21957600 "	45745	42070
Sugar, Molasses, and Treacle, \textsterling lb.	1d.	21652	70	..	145	70	62	654	3334	1633	215	..	611	362	502	425	5249	713	419	7731	1898	..	..	137320 "	568	408
Glucose, \textsterling lb.	1d.	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	51	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	204	..	11	256	2	..	..	720 "	1440	1705
Opium, \textsterling lb.	40s.	13	..	..	1	..	..	224	..	..	..	..	..	..	336	..	..	..	..	865	1	..	..	..	40056	41956
Goods by Weight .. .. .	..	8978	5	..	148	634	31	657	12099	1395	6	..	683	124	528	90	4708	289	70	8678	933	..	..	..	192759	190696
" <i>ad valorem</i> .. .. .	..	50970	4	161	771	868	272	2301	49608	4726	327	3	2405	539	1096	136	29505	2612	912	39914	5629	..	..	..	20739	27814
Other Duties .. .. .	..	4864	14	1	71	122	28	206	5854	447	15	5	182	63	35	57	3307	403	133	4444	488	..	..	..	3124	3124
Parcels Post .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3124	..	..	..	..
Totals .. .. .	..	127469	99	270	3230	4288	709	9580	116262	18081	1354	51	8738	2596	5937	2547	74983	5953	3358	104168	15838	3124	..	..	508635	..
Corresponding Quarter, 1898 .. .. .	..	123657	7	321	2991	4590	870	10835	118822	15734	1074	43	11431	2267	5724	2758	75237	5454	3542	107038	14100	2596	..	..	..	509091
Financial Year, 1898-99 .. .. .	..	493937	386	1093	13263	18743	3507	40825	449417	69180	5369	253	39231	10974	23343	11593	285120	21157	11921	395278	54370	12253	..	..	..	1961273

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

EXCISE DUTIES.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	Rates of Duty.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Other Ports.	TOTALS.		Corresponding Quarter, 1898.
							Quantities.	Revenue.	
Beer	3d. per gallon	£ 4,436	£ 2,333	£ 3,677	£ 5,140	£ 4,683	1,622,120 gallons	£ 20,269	£ 19,220
Tobacco	1s. per lb. ..	600	..	..	..	..	12,000 lb. ..	600	589
Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	1s. 6d. per lb. ..	18	..	..	..	..	240 "	18	54
Tinctures, &c., containing more than 50 per cent. of proof spirit	9d. per lb. ..	58	75	..	161	..	7,840 "	294	217
Culinary and Flavouring Essences	12s. per gallon	10	6	..	..	..	26½ gallons	16	..
Totals .. .. .	..	5,122	2,414	3,677	5,301	4,683	..	21,197	..
Corresponding Quarter, 1898 .. .. .	..	5,133	2,309	3,358	4,971	4,309	..	..	20,080
Financial Year, 1898-99 .. .. .	..	19,981	9,103	13,654	20,051	17,168	..	..	79,957

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Vital Statistics, April, 1899.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the month of April, 1899:—

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the under-mentioned Boroughs, during the month of April, 1899.

BOROUGH.	Population of Principal Boroughs, with all their Suburbs, Census, April, 1896.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1899.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHs REGISTERED IN APRIL, 1899.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, April, 1899.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1898.
				Males.			Females.					
				Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.			
Auckland ..	57,616	*35,670	79	9	4	9	11	..	11	44	1.23	14.22
Birkenhead ..		749	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.68
Devonport ..		3,320	13	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	0.90	11.34
Newmarket ..		2,106	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	0.47	9.65
Newton ..		3,049	6	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	0.98	11.37
Parnell ..		4,327	8	1	..	..	3	..	..	4	0.92	9.80
Other suburbs ..		†	†
Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	49,221	108	13	4	9	16	1	12	55	1.12	13.13
Wellington ..	41,758	42,512	85	6	1	23	4	1	5	40	0.94	12.51
Karori ..		1,050	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.70
Melrose ..		2,295	8	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.44	7.98
Onslow ..		1,350	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	1.48	6.01
Totals Wellington and suburbs	..	47,207	96	6	1	25	5	1	5	43	0.91	11.97
Christchurch ..	51,330	18,085	21	4	1	4	2	..	4	15	0.83	10.87
Linwood ..		6,553	15	2	..	4	..	..	2	8	1.22	12.25
St. Albans ..		6,500	9	..	..	4	..	1	1	6	0.92	8.93
Sydenham ..		10,987	26	2	..	2	..	1	2	7	0.64	9.99
Woolston ..		2,274	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11.99
Other suburbs ..		†	†
Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs	..	44,399	76	8	1	14	2	2	9	36	0.81	10.63
Dunedin ..	47,280	23,500	44	2	1	5	6	..	5	19	0.81	12.73
Caversham ..		4,830	4	2	..	2	1	1	3	9	1.86	20.71
Maori Hill ..		1,608	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	0.62	6.34
Morningson ..		3,825	4	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	0.78	8.15
North-east Valley ..		3,575	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	0.56	8.74
Roslyn ..		4,329	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7.49
St. Kilda ..		1,359	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1.47	10.55
South Dunedin ..		5,066	6	1	1	1	..	1	2	6	1.18	8.95
West Harbour ..	1,400	3	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	1.43	8.58	
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	..	49,492	70	7	2	11	7	2	15	44	0.89	11.65

* Subject to revision; no data for calculation supplied. † The remaining suburbs do not lie within borough boundaries, and particulars respecting them have not been obtained for the Vital Statistics.

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

The total births in the above boroughs amounted to 350, against 414 in March—a decrease of 64. The deaths in April were 178—a decrease of 18 on the number in March. Of the total deaths, males contributed 101, females 77. Seventy-eight of the deaths were of children under 5 years of age, being 43.82 per cent. of the whole number; 64 of these were under 1 year of age.

There were 28 deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Five men, 66 (two), 68, 69, 81, and two women, 67, 77, died at Auckland; two men, 76, 77, at Wellington; six men, 65, 68 (four), 79, and two women, 65, 75, at Christchurch; and four men, 72, 76, 80, 84, and seven women, 65, 67, 73 (two), 77, 80, 81, at Dunedin.

THE following Table shows the Causes of the Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from each Cause, in the Boroughs above given, registered during the Month of April, 1899.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I.	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	8	1	5	2	3	4	11	7	41	23.03
II.	Parasitic Diseases ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III.	Dietetic Diseases ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	0.56
IV.	Constitutional Diseases	1	7	1	9	..	5	..	4	27	15.17
V.	Developmental Diseases	2	..	2	2	1	..	2	5	14	7.87
VI.	Local Diseases ..	16	10	3	11	4	14	5	10	73	41.01
VII.	Violence ..	..	3	1	6	..	..	..	..	10	5.62
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	6	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	12	6.74
	Totals ..	34	21	13	30	13	23	18	26	178	100.00

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS I.—SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Miasmatic,—</i>									
Measles .. .. .	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	2	7
Whooping-cough	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Typhoid Fever .. .. .	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	2	6
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Diarrhoeal,—</i>									
Dysentery	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
Diarrhoea	6	..	4	..	2	1	8	2	23
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Venereal,—</i>									
Syphilitic Gumma in Brain .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Septic,—</i>									
Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
CLASS III.—DIETETIC DISEASES.									
Want of Breast-milk	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.									
Rheumatic Fever .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Cancer .. .. .	..	3	..	3	..	2	..	2	10
Tabes Mesenterica	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Tubercular Disease of Pelvis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Tubercular Laryngitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Phthisis .. .. .	..	3	..	5	..	2	..	..	10
Purpura .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Diabetes .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.									
Premature Birth	1	..	2	..	1	..	2	..	6
Spina Bifida	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Old Age .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	5	7
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i>									
Meningitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2
Apoplexy .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	5
Hemiplegia .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Paralysis .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
Epileptic Fit .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Convulsions	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4
Hydrocephalus	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cerebral Effusion .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Congestion of Brain .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Cerebral Abscess .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cerebral Tumour .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i>									
Heart-disease .. .. .	..	2	1	1	..	5	..	..	9
Fatty Degeneration of Heart .. .. .	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	3
ORDER 4:—									
<i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i>									
Croup .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Asthma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Bronchitis	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	5
Pneumonia	1	1	1	1	..	2	1	..	7
Gangrene of Lung .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Pulmonary Obstruction .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Diseases of the Digestive System,—</i>									
Stomatitis	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dentition	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4
Dyspepsia (acute)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Enteritis	4	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	7
Ulcerative Colitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Obstruction of Oesophagus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Cirrhosis of Liver .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Jaundice .. .. .	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Appendicitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES— <i>continued.</i>									
ORDER 7:— <i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Bright's Disease	1	..	..	..	2	3
ORDER 9:— <i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion,—</i>									
Caries	1	..	..	1
Gangrene of Feet	1	..	..	1
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.									
ORDER 1:— <i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>									
Fall from Train	1	..	..	..	..	1
Burns	1	..	..	..	..	1
Poison (Laudanum)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Alcoholic Poisoning	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Drowning	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	5
ORDER 3:— <i>Suicide,—</i>									
By Poison (Carbolic Acid)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.									
Marasmus, &c.	6	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	12
Totals	34	21	13	30	13	23	18	26	178

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

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

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Mean Population.	
Auckland City	1.23	
" and five suburban boroughs		1.12
Wellington City	0.94	
" and three suburban boroughs		0.91
Christchurch City	0.83	
" and four suburban boroughs		0.81
Dunedin City	0.81	
" and eight suburban boroughs		0.89

Including the suburbs, the rate at Auckland is the highest, and at Christchurch the lowest. Compared with April, 1898, the results are,—

	April, 1898.	April, 1899.
Auckland and suburbs	1.24	1.12
Wellington and suburbs	0.80	0.91
Christchurch and suburbs	0.63	0.81
Dunedin and suburbs	0.84	0.89

Specific Febrile and Zymotic Diseases.—The mortality in this class at the four centres for April differs but little from that for March, the numbers being 41 deaths in the later month against 44 in the former one. Of the deaths during April from zymotic diseases, Dunedin had the greatest number, 18; while there were only 7 deaths last month at Christchurch, against 20 in March and 30 in February at that city.

The total number of 18 deaths at Dunedin includes 10 from diarrhoeal diseases, 5 from measles, and 2 from typhoid fever. Of 9 deaths at Auckland, 7 were attributable to diarrhoeal complaints, 1 to whooping-cough, and 1 to typhoid. At Christchurch, there were 4 from diarrhoeal diseases, 1 from measles, 1 from typhoid, and 1 from puerperal septicæmia. Wellington shows 4 from diarrhoea, 1 measles, 2 typhoid.

Constitutional Diseases.—The deaths fell from 38 in March to 27 in April. The last include 10 from cancer and 10 from phthisis, with 2 from diabetes.

Local Diseases.—The total of deaths for April was 73, against 75 in March. Twenty-one persons died of diseases of the nervous system, 12 of diseases of the circulatory, 16 of the respiratory, 19 of the digestive, 3 of the urinary system, and 2 of the organs of locomotion.

Violent Deaths.—There were 9 accidental (7 at Wellington) and 1 suicidal. A bricklayer was killed by falling off a tramcar at Wellington; a child accidentally burned at the same town. At Auckland, a girl died from overdose of laudanum. At Wellington a child was killed by alcoholic poisoning; and there were 4 deaths by drowning at the same town, besides 1 at Auckland. The suicide was that of a seamstress, who poisoned herself with carbolic acid while temporarily insane.

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

Towns.	SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.												PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES.							
	Measles.		Scarlet Fever.		Typhoid and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping-cough.		Diarrhoeal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.	Apl.	Mar.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	..	1	4	..	..	1	1	7	7	3	..	..	1	2	1	..	1
Wellington and suburban boroughs	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	4	3	1	1	..	..	2	3	..	..
Christchurch and suburban boroughs	1	4	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	4	13	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	5	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	10	4	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..
Totals	7	6	..	..	6	7	..	3	1	1	25	27	5	2	..	1	7	6	..	1

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the under-mentioned Boroughs, during the Month of April, 1899.

BOROUGHES.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1899.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN APRIL, 1899.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, April, 1899.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1896.
			Males.			Females.					
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.			
Thames	5,000	15	1	..	1	2	4	0.80	11.62
New Plymouth	4,176	..	1	..	1	4	6	1.44	12.11
Napier	9,399	20	3	..	2	..	3	10	1.06	11.50	
Wanganui	6,862	20	..	..	2	..	..	2	0.31	7.22
Palmerston North	6,200	18	1	..	..	..	..	3	0.48	10.53
Blenheim	2,900	10	1	..	3	1	..	2	2.41	11.24	
Nelson	7,064	11	1	..	4	..	..	5	0.71	14.99
Greymouth	3,345	9	2	..	..	..	..	1	0.90	10.20
Hokitika	2,494	2	1	..	3	..	..	4	1.60	13.91
Lytelton	4,053	9	1	1	2	..	..	1	1.23	8.39
Timaru	3,755	17	1	..	2	..	..	6	2.40	10.69
Oamaru	5,372	11	..	1	1	1	1	1	0.93	8.99	
Invercargill	5,591*	11	1	1	4	2	..	3	1.97	9.57	

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 15th May, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR APRIL, 1899.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	LINCOLN, CANTERBURY.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in shade for month* Average same month previous years* ...	62.8 61.7	58.9 57.0	54.6 53.8	52.7 51.9
Maximum Temperature in shade, and date*	76.0 on 1st	73.0 on 2nd & 3rd	80.3 on 5th	79.0 on 4th
Minimum Temperature in shade, and date*	50.0 on 24th & 28th	38.9 on 28th	32.0 on 28th	35.0 on 28th
Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* ..	138.0 on 1st	125.0 on 8th	..	125.0 on 5th
Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date*	45.0 on 28th & 30th	33.0 on 28th	29.8 on 28th	30.0 on 28th
Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) ..	74	71	82	80
Average same month previous years ...	76	76	77	75
Total Rainfall, in inches	2.410	3.608	1.840	3.367
Average same month previous years ...	2.828	3.525	1.803	2.194
Number of Days of Rain	11	13	10	16
Average same month previous years ...	12	10	7	12

* Fahrenheit.

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

Meteorological Office, Wellington, 13th May, 1899.

JAMES HECTOR,
Director.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1899,

COMPARED WITH THE

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1898.

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED REVENUE

1897-98.		RECEIPTS.	1898-99.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
632,905	17 0	Balance at beginning of Year,—	780,580	3 7
		Cash in the Public Account		
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—	18,152	0 10
20,904	19 1	In the Colony	35,613	10 8
25,858	17 7	In London	398	11 9
516	10 7	On account of Imperial Pensions.. .. .	421,400	0 0
404,700	0 0	Investment Account		
1,084,286	4 3		1,251,144	6 10
730,000	0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding	730,000	0 0
354,286	4 3			521,144 6 10
		Ordinary Revenue,—		
1,935,251	16 1	Customs	1,965,017	14 9
780,281	11 6	Stamps, including Postal and Telegraph Cash Receipts	779,399	4 6
267,286	10 3	Land-tax	298,052	14 4
115,210	9 1	Income-tax	115,480	2 0
10	8 3	Property-tax		
72,179	5 0	Beer Duty	76,213	4 8
1,370,571	14 8	Railways	1,465,507	6 9
51,288	13 0	Registration and other Fees	73,821	13 1
23,959	18 8	Marine	25,489	10 9
108,343	8 8	Miscellaneous	113,647	4 7
4,724,333	15 2		4,912,628	15 5
		Territorial Revenue,—		
66,622	7 1	Cash Land Sales	81,384	0 1
25,956	9 1	Deferred-payment Land Sales	21,910	18 2
170,717	6 1	Pastoral Runs, Rents, and Miscellaneous	170,504	9 1
268,296	2 3		273,799	7 4
4,987,629	17 5			5,186,428 2 9
		Receipts in Aid,—		
69,600	0 0	Debentures issued under "The Consolidated Stock Act, 1884"—		
		For Increases of Sinking Fund		54,300 0 0
		Temporary advances repaid,—		
22,000	0 0	Net amount recovered from the Government Advances to Settlers Office	17,500	0 0
50,000	0 0	Management Account		
72,000	0 0	Repayment of advance made to the Public Works Fund		17,500 0 0
		Sinking Funds set free,—		
4,500	0 0	"The Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860"		
		Applicable to the Redemption of Debentures issued under "The Consolidated		
2,063	0 0	Stock Act, 1884," in respect of—	2,146	0 0
		"The New Zealand Loan Act, 1863"	61,742	0 0
4,871	3 4	"The Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862"		
		"The Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860"		63,888 0 0
11,434	3 4			
		Amount received from Conversion Account to make good repayment of advance on		
		security of short-dated debenture (as per contra)		100,000 0 0
£5,494,950	5 0	Totals		£5,943,260 9 7

TREASURY BILLS

254,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at beginning of Year,—	254,000	0 0
476,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	476,000	0 0
730,000	0 0	In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures		730,000 0 0
		Treasury Bills issued during Year,—		
150,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	300,000	0 0
730,000	0 0	In renewal of Bills matured	1,190,000	0 0
880,000	0 0			1,490,000 0 0
£1,610,000	0 0	Totals		£2,220,000 0 0

FUND for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

ACCOUNT.

1897-98.		EXPENDITURE.	1898-99.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
24,205	4 11	Permanent Appropriations,—	26,775	11 0
1,741,412	18 5	Civil List	1,767,467	15 7
196,985	12 6	Interest and Sinking Fund	208,258	16 7
70,262	6 2	Under Special Acts of the Legislature	72,640	4 3
		Subsidies paid to Local Bodies		
37,133	4 8	Amounts paid over to Local Bodies and to Deposit Accounts in respect of Payments under the Land Acts	37,775	12 0
		Endowments—		
5,179	7 5	New Plymouth Harbour Board	6,325	17 11
11,146	11 6	Greymouth Harbour Board	10,462	10 7
25,891	3 9	Westport Harbour Board	29,275	1 10
		Old-age pensions	3,124	1 8
2,112,216	9 4			2,162,105 11 5
		Annual Appropriations,—		
15,998	17 9	Class I.—Legislative	21,265	4 1
74,100	13 3	Class II.—Colonial Secretary	71,290	18 2
23,535	4 4	Class III.—Colonial Treasurer	43,191	14 6
122,479	18 11	Class IV.—Minister of Justice	123,801	1 11
362,867	10 1	Class V.—Postmaster-General	388,520	13 6
66,190	14 0	Class VI.—Commissioner of Trade and Customs	70,568	7 3
23,041	9 1	Class VII.—Commissioner of Stamps	30,423	14 0
		Class VIII.—Minister of Education—		
435,019	18 1	Education Department	438,259	9 7
57,304	14 4	Lunacy and Charitable Aid Department	57,383	9 8
6,869	13 10	Department of Labour	6,461	13 1
15,556	9 5	Class IX.—Minister of Mines	16,959	2 4
54,408	12 1	Class X.—Minister for Agriculture	60,792	3 8
849,923	8 9	Class XI.—Working Railways	968,917	0 3
42,603	5 11	Class XII.—Minister for Public Works	40,945	18 7
72,452	15 9	Class XIII.—Defence Department	98,618	11 9
105,974	9 9	Class XIV.—Police Department	114,193	17 8
122,584	2 9	Class XV.—Minister of Lands	114,280	12 11
37,126	18 10	Class XVI.—Valuation Department	26,720	12 9
154	5 5	Class XVII.—Rates on Crown Lands	628	14 7
1,962	3 2	Services not provided for	3,182	8 11
2,490,155	5 6			2,696,405 9 2
300,000	0 0	Amount transferred to the Public Works Fund in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1898"		425,000 0 0
6,934	0 0	Debentures redeemed,—		
4,500	0 0	"Consolidated Stock Act, 1884" (Colonial Issue)	61,742	0 0
0	3 4	"Lyttelton and Christchurch Railway Loan Ordinance, 1860," due 1st Jan., 1897	2,146	0 0
11,434	3 4	Released Sinking Funds transferred to Deposit Suspense Account		63,888 0 0
		Repayment of advance made on security of Short-dated Debenture No. 5, issued under the Aid to Public Works and Land Settlements Acts 1896 and 1897		100,000 0 0
50,000	0 0	Temporary advance to the Public Works Fund		
10,000	0 0	Purchase of the Patent and other Rights authorised by "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897"		
780,580	3 7	Balance at end of Year,—		
13,152	0 10	Cash in the Public Account	801,799	17 6
35,613	10 8	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
398	11 9	In the Colony £18,204 9 5		
		In London 44,380 7 7		
		On account of Imperial Pensions 376 14 6		
421,400	0 0	Investment Account	62,961	11 6
1,251,144	6 10		341,100	0 0
730,000	0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding	1,205,861	9 0
521,144	6 10		710,000	0 0
£5,494,950	5 0	Totals		495,861 9 0
				£5,943,260 9 7

ACCOUNT.

150,000	0 0	Treasury Bills paid off during Year	320,000	0 0
730,000	0 0	Treasury Bills renewed during Year	1,190,000	0 0
880,000	0 0			1,510,000 0 0
254,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at end of Year,—		
476,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	234,000	0 0
		In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures	476,000	0 0
730,000	0 0			710,000 0 0
£1,610,000	0 0	Totals		£2,220,000 0 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED STATE FORESTS

1897-98.		RECEIPTS.	1898-99.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
11,036	4 9	Balance at beginning of Year,—	16,417	17 3
		Cash in the Public Account		
188	0 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
		In the Colony		
11,224	5 6			16,417 17 3
		Rents from Lands set apart	3,176	4 4
918	0 1	Miscellaneous	2,668	2 2
10,077	13 0			5,844 6 6
10,995	13 1			
£22,219	18 7	Totals		£22,262 3 9

ACCOUNTS OF

9,885	4 9	Balance at beginning of Year,—	7,754	1 2	
		Cash in the Public Account			
269	1 6	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—	2,434	3 8	
		In the Colony			10,188 4 10
10,154	6 3				
		Revenue received for Local Bodies,—			
3,070	6 2	Fees, Fines, &c.	3,453	14 5	
12,199	16 2	Endowments of Land, &c.	11,246	12 8	
47,281	9 5	Goldfields Revenue	33,363	1 6	
10,849	1 8	Gold Duty	14,818	8 11	62,881 17 6
73,400	13 5				
		Counties Separate Accounts,—			
380	14 0	Revenue of Counties in which "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation			921 14 6
		Advance Account,—			
39,042	6 3	Amount repaid by Local Bodies	48,062	4 10	
84	16 6	Ditto on account of Unauthorised Expenditure of previous years	63	2 0	48,065 6 10
39,127	2 9				
£123,062	16 5	Totals			£121,457 3 8

DEPOSIT

80,000	5 6	Balance at beginning of Year,—	91,175	15 4	
		Cash in the Public Account			
300	0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—	194	15 0	
34,811	3 9	In the Colony	26,144	12 5	
		In London			117,515 2 9
115,111	9 3				
		Lodgments,—			
676	17 1	Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897	1,098	1 6	
3,324	15 0	Emigrants' Deposits	6,301	17 6	
25	0 0	General Assembly Library Fund	75	0 0	
4	0 2	Government of South Australia			
9	3 5	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885	14	2 0	
		Land Transfer Act, 1885	402	14 10	
225	18 3	Mining Districts Land Occupation Act, 1894	240	13 5	
313,960	3 7	Miscellaneous	87,759	13 0	
6,000	0 0	Money-order Settlement	50,640	0 0	
25	0 0	Native Land Act, 1878 (No. 2)			
413	19 8	Native Land Purchases	391	1 5	
74	7 0	Native Township of Pipiriki	140	2 5	
		Native Township of Tokaanu	110	16 5	
23	0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund	26	1 5	
20,716	13 3	New Zealand Midland Railway	21,713	9 3	
129	11 0	New Zealand University Endowment, Canterbury	242	1 0	
228	12 2	New Zealand University Endowment, Taranaki	364	2 6	
10	0 0	New Zealand University Endowment, Westland	2	10 0	
438	18 0	North Island Experimental Dairy School	41	10 10	
		North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1889	12,546	13 3	
6,415	1 11	Railways	3,550	0 0	
		Released Sinking Funds Suspense	2,146	0 0	
0	3 4	Tauranga Educational Endowment Reserves Act, 1896	112	2 5	
894	12 9	Thermal springs Districts Act, 1881	1,469	0 9	
		Trustee Act, 1883	527	13 9	
353,595	16 7				189,915 7 8
£468,707	5 10	Totals			£907,430 10 5

FUND for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

ACCOUNT.

1897-98.	EXPENDITURE.	1898-99.
£ s. d. 5,802 1 4	Annual Appropriations,— Vote 110—State Forests Branch	£ s. d. 3,340 6 10
16,417 17 3	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account	18,921 16 11
£22,219 18 7	Totals	£22,262 3 9

LOCAL BODIES.

3,138 12 7	Revenue paid over to Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c.	3,450 17 7	64,444 17 4
10,647 13 11	Endowments of Land, &c.	9,545 12 10	
49,389 12 3	Goldfields Revenue	36,109 0 9	
10,478 12 10	Gold Duty	15,339 6 2	
73,654 11 7	Counties Separate Accounts,— Amount distributed amongst Road Boards where "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .	.. .. .	283 3 0
358 4 0	Advance Accounts,— Payments on behalf of Local Bodies	47,952 17 7	48,552 17 7
38,861 16 0	Payments on behalf of Local Bodies charged to "Unauthorised"	600 0 0	
7,754 1 2	Balance at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account	8,020 14 5	8,176 5 9
2,434 3 8	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony	155 11 4	
10,188 4 10	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .		£121,457 3 8
£123,062 16 5			

ACCOUNTS.

3,580 0 0	Withdrawals,— Emigrants' Deposits	5,896 12 6	172,868 1 3
.. .. .	General Assembly Library Fund	100 0 0	
3 17 6	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885	13 2 10	
.. .. .	Mining District Lands Occupation Act, 1894	272 1 10	
311,985 6 7	Miscellaneous	69,507 17 1	
16,550 0 0	Money-order Settlement	41,490 0 0	
.. .. .	Naval Depot, Auckland	1 6 11	
434 5 9	Native Land Purchases	379 4 0	
43 0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund	37 0 0	
400 0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund Investment	300 0 0	
17,706 6 11	New Zealand Midland Railway	24,829 11 0	
10 19 4	New Zealand University Endowment—Taranaki .. .. .	.. .. .
67 17 5	Ngatirahiri Compensation	27 9 2	
11 10 3	North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1889	26,200 0 0	
3 0 0	North Island Experimental Dairy School	3 0 0	
400 0 0	Property Law Consolidation Act 1883 Amendment Act, 1895 .. .. .	.. .. .
.. .. .	Railways	2,732 10 0	
0 8 3	Released Sinking Funds Suspense .. .. .	.. .. .
45 11 1	Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881	90 6 6	
.. .. .	Trustee Act, 1883	487 19 5	
351,192 3 1	Balances at end of Year,— Cash in the Public Account	95,170 15 9	135,062 9 2
91,175 15 4	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony	39,891 13 5	
194 15 0	In London .. .. .	.. .. .
26,144 12 5	Totals	£307,430 10 5
117,515 2 9			
£468,707 5 10			

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the PUBLIC WORKS

1897-98.		RECEIPTS.	1898-99.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
68,642	13 10	Balance at beginning of Year,—		
		Cash in Public Account	17,408	19 10
		Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
18,198	2 0	In the Colony	18,595	2 11
5,521	16 5	In London	15,488	4 9
70,000	0 0	Investment Account		
157,362	12 3			51,492 7 6
125,000	0 0	The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896, 1897, and 1898,—		
		Proceeds of Debentures issued under the above Act	10,000	0 0
100,000	0 0	Temporary advances on security of short-dated debentures Nos. 1, 5, 6, and 7	350,000	0 0
		(\$200,000 repaid through Conversion Account)	105,000	0 0
225,000	0 0	Instalments in respect of new loan of £500,000		
				465,000 0 0
300,000	0 0	Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1898"		
				425,000 0 0
1,639	5 8	Special Receipts in connection with the Ellesmere and Forsyth Reclamation and Akaroa Railway Trust		
				1,740 8 11
365	0 5	Recoveries,—		
		In respect of Debentures issued under "The Roads and Bridges Construction Act, 1882"	365	0 5
		In respect of Expenditure charged in previous years (purchase of Native Lands)	225	8 1
365	0 5			590 8 6
872	7 6	Sinking Funds released under "The Consolidated Stock Act, 1884," in respect of—		
		"The New Zealand Loan Act, 1860"	416	7 0
		"The Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862"	42,943	10 8
872	7 6			43,359 17 8
50,000	0 0	Temporary advance from the Consolidated Fund		
95,222	15 2	Balances as on 31st March, 1897, transferred hereto in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1897,"—		
136,573	3 10	Lands Improvement Account		
		Native Lands Purchase Account		
231,795	19 0			
£967,035	4 10	Totals		£987,183 2 7

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CHEVIOT ESTATE

55	16 8	Balance at beginning of Year,—		
		Cash in Public Account		
324	10 9	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—		
		In the Colony		
380	7 5			
1,024	8 6	Receipts under "The Cheviot Estate Disposition Act, 1893,"—		
14,385	16 3	Cash Land Sales	3,413	18 10
806	8 1	Rents from Lands	13,515	0 7
45	0 0	Shipping and Port Charges	69	8 8
15	7 9	Interest on Advances	45	0 0
		Miscellaneous		
16,277	0 7			17,043 8 1
£16,657	8 0	Totals		£17,043 8 1

FUND for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

1897-98.		EXPENDITURE.	1898-99.	
£	s. d.	Annual Appropriations,—	£	s. d.
69	15 5	Class I.—Immigration	104	16 10
9,688	13 2	" II.—Public Works, Departmental	10,090	1 3
351,600	6 8	" III.—Railways	374,141	2 3
290,777	9 11	" IV.—Roads	295,483	7 2
33,117	7 5	" V.—Development of Goldfields	17,354	10 2
60,333	13 8	" VI.—Purchase of Native Lands	53,182	16 10
29,384	2 11	" VII.—Telegraph Extension	28,550	14 0
73,584	19 5	" VIII.—Public Buildings	107,266	14 5
5,295	1 8	" IX.—Lighthouses, Harbour-works, and Harbour Defences	15,662	10 1
156	9 9	" X.—Rates on Native Lands	347	11 10
10,360	7 7	" XI.—Contingent Defence	13,866	12 11
864,368	7 7			916,050 17 9
		Unauthorised,—		
1,169	4 9	Services not provided for	50	17 6
50,000	0 0	Repayment of temporary advance from Consolidated Fund .. .. .	..	..
51,169	4 9			50 17 6
		The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896-97,—		
5	5 0	Charges and expenses of raising loan .. .. .	..	225 1 0
		Balance at end of Year,—		
17,408	19 10	Cash in the Public Account	31,794	6 9
18,595	2 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
15,488	4 9	In the Colony	16,509	13 0
		In London	22,552	6 7
51,492	7 6			70,856 6 4
£967,035	4 10	Totals .. .. .	..	£987,183 2 7

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

12,115	16 3	Expenditure,—		
753	18 7	Interest (including arrears	15,849	10 2
12,869	14 10	Surveys, Roading, &c.	534	5 3
				16,383 15
3,787	13 2	Appropriations,—		
		Vote 111—Cheviot Estate Expenses .. .. .	..	113 1 7
		Balance at end of Year,—		
		Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	546 11 1
£16,657	8 0	Totals .. .. .	..	£17,043 8 1

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS

1897-98.	RECEIPTS.	1898-99.	
£ s. d. 3,751 9 2	Balance at beginning of Year,— Cash in the Public Account	£ s. d. 8,689 18 10	£ s. d. 8,796 1 0
963 2 7	Advances in hands of Officers of the Government,— In the Colony	106 2 2	.. .. .
4,714 11 9	.. .. .	.. .. .	499,000 0 0
135,000 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under— The Land for Settlements Acts, 1894 and 1897 .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
27,667 0 10	Rents and Lease-fees .. .. .	.. .. .	38,804 10 0
..	Recoveries from Pomahaka Estate, sale of produce, &c. .. .. .	.. .. .	500 0 2
£167,381 12 7	Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	£546,600 11 2

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

1897-98.		EXPENDITURE.				1898-99.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1,759	3 2	Annual Appropriations,—					
							3,476 18 2
		Vote 112—Land for Settlements Expenses ..					
		Acquirement of Estates,—					
		Name of Estate.					
		Purchase-money.		Expenses.			
Total.							
273	11 10	Albury		181	3 3	181	3 3
39	8 7	Ardgowan		20	6 2	20	6 2
112	7 3	Arowhenua (Rakitairi)		1	16 0	1	16 0
10,538	4 3	Beaumont		18	3 8	18	3 8
17	13 6	Blind River		53	11 3	53	11 3
..		Braco		6	8 3	6	8 3
..		Elephant Hill (part of, joined to Waikakahi), (J. Douglas)	366 7 6	..	..	366	7 6
815	9 9	Elsthorpe		201	17 2	201	17 2
..		Epworth		0	9 0	0	9 0
..		Hatuma		33	6 6	33	6 6
10,794	2 6	Hekeao		679	14 4	679	14 4
127	4 0	Highbank		4	12 6	4	12 6
394	3 7	Horsley Down		1	14 4	1	14 4
59	13 5	Kapua .. .. .		..	..	..	..
..		Karapiro (Assets Realisation Board)	8,364 4 6	79	12 0	8,443	16 6
..		Kereta		0	9 0	0	9 0
36	18 3	Maerewhenua		3	4 2	3	4 2
..		Mahora (J. W. Williams)	31,178 2 6	112	15 10	31,290	18 4
14,377	7 9	Marawhiti		0	15 0	0	15 0
122	10 2	Merrivale		5	6 6	5	6 6
3,631	4 4	Momona (Myrtle Bank)		51	10 0	51	10 0
4,147	15 9	Okauia		590	5 2	590	5 2
71	7 6	Omaka		32	7 9	32	7 9
167	1 11	Opouriao .. .. .		..	..	..	..
2	5 10	Omihi Stock Reserve .. .. .		..	..	..	..
..		Orakapoa		1	10 0	1	10 0
72	1 1	Otaio .. .. .		..	..	..	..
6	9 9	Otarakaro		5	1 3	5	1 3
7,918	2 5	Otahu		322	18 7	322	18 7
4,661	5 0	Paparangi		1,919	9 2	1,919	9 2
67	5 0	Pareora		1	10 1	1	10 1
1,836	19 7	Pawaho		105	5 8	105	5 8
175	16 2	Poerua		319	10 0	319	10 0
517	14 8	Pomahaka		152	9 8	152	9 8
25	17 1	Pouparae .. .. .		..	..	..	..
323	16 0	Puhipuhi .. .. .		..	..	..	..
18	6 11	Puketapu		6	14 9	6	14 9
14,014	0 0	Rangiatea		190	4 10	190	4 10
12	16 5	Raureka		0	10 7	0	10 7
..		Richmond Brook (F. H. Richmond)	21,921 10 0	37	19 0	21,959	9 0
53	16 1	Roimata		3	14 2	3	14 2
..		Rosebrook		0	9 0	0	9 0
64	3 0	Rural Section 1862, Nimrod Survey District, Block IV. .. .. .		..	..	..	..
..		Rural Section 2682 (J. Rutherford)	105 0 0	4	13 0	109	13 0
..		Starborough (Executors of R. Beaumont)	99,350 0 0	1,355	4 6	100,705	4 6
112	9 4	Studholme Junction		0	8 0	0	8 0
..		Tamai (A. McLean)	2,662 11 3	..	..	2,662	11 3
11	12 0	Teanaraki		36	3 4	36	3 4
78,995	9 10	Tokarahi		82	15 0	82	15 0
2	7 2	Tomoana		16	12 3	16	12 3
2,054	10 5	Waihemo Grange (Makareao)		4,685	9 10	4,685	9 10
..		Waimarie		101	2 2	101	2 2
..		Waikakahi (A. McLean)	323,090 9 7	1,693	10 9	324,784	0 4
130	15 10	Wharenui		63	11 8	63	11 8
..		Willows (Bank of New Zealand)	14,734 10 0	23	4 9	14,757	14 9
22	4 6	Land Exchanges .. .. .		..	..	..	..
156,826	8 5		501,772 15 4	13,209	9 10		514,982 5 2
8,689	18 10	Balance at end of Year,—					
106	2 2	Cash in the Public Account				27,532	5 8
8,796	1 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government,—					
		In the Colony				609	2 2
		Totals					28,141 7 10
£167,381	12 7						£546,600 11 2

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

1897-98.		RECEIPTS.	1898-99.	
£ s. d.		Balance at beginning of Year,—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
3 10 1		Cash in the Public Account	21,826 19 11	
..		Advances in hands of Officers of the Government—		
		In the colony	151 3 0	21,978 2 11
111,400 0 0		The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,—		73,900 0 0
		Debentures issued .. .. .	..
		Repayments under section 8 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act		
		Amendment Act, 1896,"—		
		Counties,—		
137 8 11		Horowhenua .. .. .	..
3,576 0 0		Kiwitea	147 1 8	
793 6 4		Pahiatua .. .. .	..
..		Stratford	299 10 2	
94 9 3		Road Boards,—		
..		Featherston .. .. .	..
..		Manchester	276 16 5	
..		Drainage Board,—		
		Wainono Land	147 18 3	871 6 6
4,501 4 6				
£116,004 14 7		Totals .. .. .	..	£96,749 9

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

1897-98.			EXPENDITURE.			1898-99.		
£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.
			Grants to—					
			Counties—					
			Ashburton	..	..	4,555	0	0
1,100	0	0	Cheviot	..	..	..	..	..
100	0	0	Clifton	..	..	1,200	0	0
3,178	0	0	Cook	..	..	..	..	..
3,898	0	0	Hawera	..	..	1,655	0	0
6,000	0	0	Hawke's Bay	..	..	6,000	0	0
..	..	..	Hobson	..	..	350	0	0
470	0	0	Horowhenua	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	..	Hutt	..	..	128	0	0
9,365	0	0	Kiwitea	..	..	5,037	0	0
..	..	..	Mackenzie	..	..	850	0	0
4,800	0	0	Manawatu	..	..	1,250	0	0
5,000	0	0	Ohinemuri	..	..	2,000	0	0
750	0	0	Pahiatua	..	..	330	0	0
6,000	0	0	Pohangina	..	..	6,000	0	0
580	0	0	Rangitikei	..	..	1,500	0	0
600	0	0	Raglan	..	..	..	..	..
5,410	0	0	Stratford	..	..	2,800	0	0
..	..	..	Tuapeka	..	..	4,500	0	0
..	..	..	Waipa	..	..	250	0	0
..	..	..	Waipawa	..	..	1,250	0	0
264	0	0	Wairarapa North	..	..	2,990	0	0
..	..	..	Wairarapa South	..	..	3,200	0	0
200	0	0	Waitaki	..	..	..	..	..
47,715	0	0						45,895 0 0
			Road Boards—					
500	0	0	Egmont	..	..	100	0	0
463	0	0	Eketahuna	..	..	816	0	0
..	..	..	Featherston	..	..	300	0	0
250	0	0	Fitzherbert	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	..	Kaiti	..	..	1,300	0	0
..	..	..	Manawatu	..	..	241	0	0
754	0	0	Manchester	..	..	300	0	0
1,670	0	0	Manganui	..	..	492	0	0
..	..	..	Mangorei	..	..	568	0	0
800	0	0	Masterton	..	..	1,000	0	0
775	0	0	Mauriceville	..	..	22	0	0
1,569	0	0	Moa	..	..	1,162	0	0
550	0	0	Otaki	..	..	..	..	..
400	0	0	Parihaka	..	..	1,790	0	0
..	..	..	Porangahau	..	..	3,000	0	0
40	0	0	Pouawa	..	..	..	..	..
2,000	0	0	Seatoun	..	..	1,000	0	0
..	..	..	Takapau	..	..	496	0	0
267	0	0	Taratahi-Carterton	..	..	1,920	0	0
..	..	..	Turanga	..	..	50	0	0
..	..	..	Upper Hurford	..	..	700	0	0
300	0	0	Upper Tauern	..	..	30	0	0
1,122	0	0	Waimate	..	..	3,000	0	0
650	0	0	Waipipi	..	..	50	0	0
650	0	0	Waiwakaiho	..	..	65	0	0
995	0	0	Wirokino	..	..	..	..	..
13,755	0	0						18,342 0 0
			Boroughs—					
2,000	0	0	Dannevirke	..	..	737	0	0
..	..	..	Feilding	..	..	495	0	0
..	..	..	Greytown	..	..	600	0	0
2,800	0	0	Petone	..	..	1,900	0	0
..	..	..	Te Aroha	..	..	1,000	0	0
..	..	..	Timaru	..	..	2,000	0	0
4,800	0	0						6,782 0 0
			Town Boards—					
..	..	..	Bull's	..	..	300	0	0
..	..	..	Ngaruawahia	..	..	300	0	0
300	0	0	Stratford	..	..	..	..	..
493	0	0	Drainage Boards—					600 0 0
1,495	0	0	Akaaka	..	..	..	..	..
3,000	0	0	Aorangi Land	..	..	99	0	0
200	0	0	Manawatu Land	..	..	2,360	0	0
..	..	..	Otakia	..	..	100	0	0
600	0	0	Sluggish River	..	..	300	0	0
..	..	..	Te Puke Land	..	..	..	..	..
5,788	0	0						2,859 0 0
			River Boards—					
..	..	..	Spring Creek	..	..	..	..	1,000 0 0
2,899	0	0	Unauthorised—					..
..	..	..	Wainono Drainage Board	..	..	..	..	..
75,257	0	0						75,428 0 0
18,769	11	8	Appropriations,—					
..	..	..	Vote 113.—Roads to open up Crown lands	..	..	..	..	16,971 12 3
21,826	19	11	Balance at end of year.—					
..	..	..	Cash in the Public Account	..	..	2,808	7	1
151	3	0	Advances in hands of Officers of the Government,—					
..	..	..	In the Colony	..	..	1,541	10	1
21,978	2	11						4,349 17 2
£116,004	14	7	Totals	..	..	..	..	£96,749 9 5

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

1897-98.		RECEIPTS.						1898-99.			
£	s. d.	Balance at beginning of Year,—						£	s. d.	£	s. d.
5	0 0	Cash in Deposit Account						85	0 0		
297,400	0 0	Investment Account						356,100	0 0		
297,405	0 0									356,185	0 0
58,780	0 0	Deposits inscribed .. .. .						..	..	29,740	0 0
£356,185	0 0	Totals .. .. .						..	..	£385,925	0 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the **GOVERNMENT ADVANCES**

—		RECEIPTS.						1898-99.			
..		Advanced by the Bank of England on security of 3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock .. .. .						..	..	150,000	0 0
		Totals .. .. .						..	..	£150,000	0 0

The Treasury, Wellington, 22nd April, 1899.

RAILWAY RECEIPTS examined and found correct.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

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

D. MCKELLAR,
For Secretary and Inspector of Customs.

TERRITORIAL REVENUE RECEIPTS examined and found correct.

W. G. RUNCIE,
Auditor of Land Revenue.

ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899, compared with the Financial Year ended 31st MARCH, 1898.

1897-98.		EXPENDITURE.						1898-99.			
£	s.	d.	Balance at end of Year,—						£	s.	d.
85	0	0	Cash in Deposit Account.. .. .						25	0	0
356,100	0	0	Investment Account						385,900	0	0
			Totals						£385,925 0 0		
£356,185 0 0									£385,925 0 0		

TO SETTLERS OFFICE LOAN ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st MARCH, 1899.

—		EXPENDITURE.						1898-99.			
..	Amount paid over to Government Advances to Settlers Office Account .. .. .						..	150,000 0 0		
		Total	£150,000 0 0		

JAMES B. HEYWOOD,
Secretary to the Treasury.

ROBERT J. COLLINS,
Accountant to the Treasury.

The foregoing accounts have been examined and found correct, subject to the following remarks:—

- (1.) The "Customs," "Railways," and "Territorial Revenue" receipts are not now examined by the Audit Office.
- (2.) The Audit Office is unable satisfactorily to verify the receipts of gold revenue, through the failure of the Mines Department to comply with a requisition for a certified statement of the amounts collectible as such revenue.
- (3.) The "Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government" include payments to the amount of £2,876 12s. 2d., though the accounts of the same were received at the Treasury before the close of the year. Such a contingency has been of invariable occurrence, and may in some measure be unavoidable, notwithstanding the requirement of section 71 of "The Public Revenues Act, 1891."
- (4.) The Conversion Account is overdrawn by £2,211 12s. 9d.
- (5.) The expenditure of the Education Department includes, under Class VIII., Public Works Fund,—
 - (a.) A sum of £1,500, being moneys which, having been issued and paid under the authority of section 3 of "The Public Revenues Acts Amendment Act, 1896," in respect of technical schools, and included, as the section requires, "in the estimates and accounts for the year or other period in which the same were paid," were not provided for by "The Appropriation Act, 1898."
 - (b.) A sum of £910 13s. 7d., being moneys which were, under the authority of Imprest Supply, expended in respect of technical schools, but which were not sanctioned by Parliament in the session in which such Imprest Supply was passed.

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

SUMMARY of BALANCES on 31st MARCH, 1899.

		BALANCES.				CASH.		ADVANCES.		INVESTMENTS.		TOTAL.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
CONSOLIDATED FUND:—						CONSOLIDATED FUND:—							
Ordinary Revenue Account ..	1,205 861 9 0*					Ordinary Revenue Account ..	801,799 17 6	62,961 11 6	341,100 0 0			1,205,861 9 0	
State Forests Account ..	18,921 16 11					State Forests Account ..	18,921 16 11	..	..			18,921 16 11	
Accounts of Local Bodies ..	8,176 5 9					Accounts of Local Bodies ..	8,020 14 5	155 11 4	..			8,176 5 9	
Deposit Accounts ..	135,062 9 2					Deposit Accounts ..	95,170 15 9	39,891 13 5	..			135,062 9 2	
		1,368,022	0 10				923,913 4 7	103,008 16 3	341,100 0 0			1,368,022 0 10	
PUBLIC WORKS FUND		70,856	6 4			PUBLIC WORKS FUND	31,794 6 9	39,061 19 7	..			70,856 6 4	
CHEVIOT ESTATE ACCOUNT ..			546 11 1			CHEVIOT ESTATE ACCOUNT ..	546 11 1	..	..			546 11 1	
LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT ..			28,141 7 10			LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT ..	27,532 5 8	609 2 2	..			28,141 7 10	
CONVERSION ACCOUNT		Dr.	2,211 12 9			CONVERSION ACCOUNT	Cr. 2,537 6 6	325 13 9	..			Cr. 2,211 12 9	
LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT ..			4,349 17 2			LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT ..	2,808 7 1	1,541 10 1	..			4,349 17 2	
NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT ..			385,925 0 0			NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT ..	25 0 0	..	385,900 0 0			385,925 0 0	
REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT ..		Dr.	200,000 0 0			REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT ..	Cr. 200,000 0 0	..	..			Cr. 200,000 0 0	
Totals			£1,655,629 10 6			Totals	£784,082 8 8	£144,547 1 10	£727,000 0 0			£1,655,629 10 6	

* Against this Treasury Bills amounting to £710,000 are outstanding.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1899,

COMPARED WITH THE

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1898.

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED

ORDINARY REVENUE

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1898.		RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1899.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
533,661	12 8	Ordinary Revenue,—		
193,782	7 11	Customs	534,070	7 10
25,505	2 1	Stamps	194,731	19 0
1,893	11 5	Postal and Telegraph Cash Receipts	33,066	8 9
109,862	17 6	Land-tax	3,338	0 0
20,679	5 6	Income-tax	110,456	4 9
450,049	12 2	Beer Duty	22,018	3 1
13,805	9 9	Railways	466,483	18 9
7,402	3 7	Registration and other Fees	25,059	18 4
49,587	14 1	Marine	7,318	13 0
		Miscellaneous	53,113	14 1
1,406,229	16 8		1,449,657	7 7
14,686	13 4	Territorial Revenue,—		
7,771	13 9	Cash Land Sales	£22,984	16 8
75,668	13 10	Deferred-payment Land Sales	6,512	12 7
		Pastoral Runs, Rents, and Miscellaneous	76,271	4 0
98,077	0 11		105,768	13 3
1,504,306	17 7			
		Amount transferred from Conversion Account to make good the amount charged in December Quarter for the redemption of Debenture issued under the Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896 and 1897		100,000 0 0
500	0 0	Temporary Advances repaid,—		
50,000	0 0	Repayment by Government Advances to Settlers Office of advances made under section 49 of "The Government Advances to Settlers Office Act, 1894"		
50,500	0 0	Repayment of temporary advance made to Public Works Fund		
£1,554,806	17 7	Totals		£1,655,426 0 10

TREASURY BILLS

404,000	0 0	Treasury Bills outstanding at beginning of Quarter,—		
476,000	0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	554,000	0 0
		For redemption of Guaranteed Debentures	476,000	0 0
880,000	0 0			1,030,000 0
100,000	0 0	Treasury Bills issued during Quarter		
		In renewal of Bills matured	710,000	0 0
£980,000	0 0	Totals		£1,740,000 0

FUND for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

ACCOUNT.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1898.	EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1899.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
880,000 0 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
	Treasury Bills outstanding	1,030,000 0 0	
	Less—		
216,801 7 7	Cash in the Public Account		
	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
205,422 4 2	In the Colony	249,200 2 9	
66,615 17 4	In London	68,862 12 5	
104 18 10	On Account of Imperial Pensions	223 4 4	
379,400 0 0	Investment Account	373,900 0 0	
868,344 7 11		993,905 15 6	36,094 4 6
11,655 12 1			
	Permanent Appropriations,—		
6,941 12 7	Civil List	6,340 15 11	
70,767 10 6	Interest and Sinking Fund	111,650 9 7	
72,513 18 11	Under Special Acts of the Legislature	75,219 14 5	
23,585 12 8	Subsidies paid to Local Bodies	22,159 19 3	
13,095 2 6	Amounts paid over to Local Bodies and to Deposit Accounts in respect of Rents under the Land Acts	14,345 12 0	
	Endowments,—		
1,151 12 11	New Plymouth Harbour Board	1,542 7 8	
3,540 1 10	Greymouth Harbour Board	3,204 11 5	
8,309 8 1	Westport Harbour Board	6,713 7 8	
	Old-age Pensions	3,124 1 8	
- 199,905 0 0			244,300 19 7
	Annual Appropriations,—		
5,564 2 3	Class I.—Legislative	2,087 2 3	
22,022 0 8	II.—Colonial Secretary	21,928 14 9	
Cr. 10,536 16 5	III.—Colonial Treasurer	13,783 16 1	
33,294 6 10	IV.—Minister of Justice	32,535 16 9	
140,119 2 0	V.—Postmaster-General	137,745 19 0	
17,021 4 5	VI.—Commissioner of Trade and Customs	18,876 16 10	
8,052 11 2	VII.—Commissioner of Stamps	7,875 9 8	
	VIII.—Minister of Education—		
105,798 16 3	Education Department	105,500 14 9	
17,050 4 2	Lunacy and Charitable Department	13,995 1 0	
1,812 16 3	Department of Labour	1,500 2 11	
2,948 17 7	IX.—Minister of Mines	5,632 8 3	
20,096 10 0	X.—Department of Agriculture	25,813 1 5	
228,934 3 7	XI.—Working Railways	319,822 13 7	
15,910 14 7	XII.—Public and School Buildings	10,775 16 8	
26,630 3 4	XIII.—Defence Department	37,050 19 3	
32,310 5 2	XIV.—Police Department	29,863 19 9	
30,967 19 5	XV.—Department of Lands and Survey	33,080 8 10	
37,126 18 10	XVI.—Valuation Department	5,159 10 0	
47 13 7	XVII.—Rates on Crown Lands	172 2 11	
1,930 5 0	Services not provided for	2,822 13 1	
737,101 18 8			826,023 7 9
25,000 0 0	Further amount transferred to Public Works Fund under section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1898"		50,000 0 0
	Amount transferred to Deposits, Released Sinking Fund Suspense Account		2,146 0 0
	Net amount advanced in terms of section 49 of "The Government Advances to Settlers Act, 1894"		1,000 0 0
50,000 0 0	Temporary advances to Public Works Fund (repaid as per contra)		
10,000 0 0	Purchase of the patent and other rights, as authorised by "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897"		
85,000 0 0			
780,580 3 7	Balance at end of Quarter,—		
	Cash in the Public Account	801,799 17 6	
	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
13,152 0 10	In the Colony	18,204 9 5	
35,613 10 8	In London	44,380 7 7	
398 11 9	On account of Imperial Pensions	376 14 6	
421,400 0 0	Investment Account	341,100 0 0	
1,251,144 6 10		1,205,861 9 0	
730,000 0 0	Less Treasury Bills outstanding	710,000 0 0	495,861 9 0
521,144 6 10			
£1,554,806 17 7	Totals		£1,655,426 0 10

ACCOUNT.

250,000 0 0	Treasury Bills paid off during Quarter		320,000 0 0
	Treasury Bills renewed during Quarter		710,000 0 0
	Treasury Bills outstanding at end of Quarter,—		
254,000 0 0	In anticipation of Revenue	234,000 0 0	
476,000 0 0	In redemption of Guaranteed Debentures	476,000 0 0	710,000 0 0
730,000 0 0			
£980,000 0 0	Totals		£1,740,000 0 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONSOLIDATED STATE FORESTS

QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1898.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1899.
£ s. d. 14,083 0 1	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	£ s. d. 17,233 6 5
646 4 10	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	348 18 9
14,729 4 11		17,582 5 2
231 5 7	Rents from Lands set apart	1,253 16 4
3,822 16 9	Miscellaneous	1,556 9 11
4,054 2 4		2,810 6 3
£18,783 7 3	Totals	£20,392 11 5

ACCOUNTS OF

5,234 13 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	14,012 13 11
3,353 2 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	3,629 19 2
8,587 15 11		17,642 13 1
422 4 7	Revenue received for Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c.	399 9 11
8,526 18 6	Endowments of Land	7,567 16 1
11,922 15 7	Goldfields Revenue	7,703 19 5
3,263 15 3	Gold Duty	3,520 10 4
24,135 13 11		19,191 15 9
20,541 14 3	Advance Accounts,— Amount recovered from Local Bodies	7,726 9 2
81 19 0	"Unauthorised"—on account of previous quarters	61 6 0
20,623 13 3		7,787 15 2
233 7 0	Counties Separate Account,— Revenues of Counties in which "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation	122 15 6
£53,580 10 1	Totals	£44,744 19 6

DEPOSIT

74,099 19 11	Balance at beginning of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	88,631 9 11
650 0 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	1,002 17 10
20,380 11 10	In London	13,423 0 1
95,130 11 9		103,057 7 10
676 17 1	Lodgments,— Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897	377 17 1
394 15 0	Emigrants' Deposits	1,766 17 6
0 4 1	Government of South Australia	9 15 2
..	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885	402 14 10
..	Land Transfer Act, 1885	65 14 0
186 1 4	Mining Districts Lands Occupation Act, 1894	45,640 16 3
53,418 10 11	Miscellaneous	10,850 0 0
1,700 0 0	Money-order Settlement	100 7 5
74 7 0	Native Township of Pipiriki	14 6 0
..	Native Township of Tokaanu	5 0 0
10 0 0	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund	64 15 6
..	Nelson Rifle Prize Fund Investment	111 0 2
64 15 6	New Zealand University Endowment, Canterbury .. .. .	..
96 7 8	New Zealand University Endowment, Taranaki	7,017 6 5
5 0 0	New Zealand University Endowment, Westland	4,180 19 10
6,056 3 6	New Zealand Midland Railway	2,146 0 0
2,790 16 4	North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act Amendment Act, 1889	42 9 10
..	Released Sinking Funds Suspense	774 19 0
..	Tauranga Educational Reserves Endowment Act, 1896	73,570 19 0
278 4 6	Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881	£176,628 6 10
65,752 2 11	Totals .. .. .	..
£160,882 14 8		

FUND for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

ACCOUNT.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1898.		EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1899.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
2,365	10 0	Annual Appropriations,— Vote 110—State Forests Branch .. .. .	..	1,470 14 6
16,417	17 3	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	18,921 16 11
£18,783	7 3	Totals .. .. .	..	£20,392 11 5

LOCAL BODIES.

414	5 7	Revenue paid over to Local Bodies,— Fees, Fines, &c.	370	2 10
4,367	11 7	Endowments of Land	2,552	3 2
14,645	4 4	Goldfields Revenue	10,247	5 6
3,233	10 0	Gold Duty	5,576	0 9
22,660	11 6			18,745 12 3
20,418	14 9	Advance Accounts,— Amount paid on behalf of Local Bodies	17,007	13 6
..	..	Amount paid on behalf of Local Bodies charged to "Unauthorised"	600	0 0
				17,607 13 6
312	19 0	Counties Separate Account,— Amount distributed amongst Road Boards where "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in full operation .. .. .	..	215 8 0
7,754	1 2	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	8,020	14 5
2,434	3 8	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	155	11 4
10,188	4 10			8,176 5 9
£53,580	10 1	Totals .. .. .	..	£44,744 19 6

ACCOUNT.

1,020	0 0	Withdrawals,— Emigrants' Deposits	2,366	17 6
..	..	Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885	13	2 10
..	..	Mining Districts Lands Occupation Act, 1894	271	12 10
33,052	11 11	Miscellaneous	6,310	1 8
1,700	0 0	Money-order Settlement	16,950	0 0
37	4 3	Native Land Purchases	270	9 2
7,108	8 1	New Zealand Midland Railway	8,473	1 10
17	14 4	Ngatirahiri Compensation	11	8 2
..	..	North Island Experimental Dairy School	3	0 0
..	..	North Island Main Trunk Railway Loan Application Act Amendment Act, 1889	6,200	0 0
400	0 0	Property Law Consolidation Act Amendment Act, 1895 .. .. .	..	..
..	..	Railways	200	0 0
31	13 4	Thermal-springs Districts Act, 1881	8	4 3
..	..	Trustee Act, 1883	487	19 5
43,367	11 11			41,565 17 8
91,175	15 4	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account	95,170	15 9
194	15 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony .. .. .	..	..
26,144	12 5	In London	39,891	13 5
117,515	2 9			135,062 9 2
£160,882	14 8	Totals .. .. .	..	£176,628 6 10

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the PUBLIC

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1898.		RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1899.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
54,432	16 8	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
		Cash in the Public Account	22,615	10 0
104,185	19 2	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
22,478	2 1	In the Colony £132,048 6 5		
		In London 30,631 13 11	162,680	0 4
181,096	17 11			185,295 10 4
		The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896, 1897, and 1898—		
125,000	0 0	Proceeds of debentures	150,000	0 0
100,000	0 0	Temporary advance on security of short-dated debentures	105,000	0 0
		Instalments in respect of new loan of £500,000		
225,000	0 0			255,000 0 0
		Special Receipts in connection with the Ellesmere and Forsyth Reclamation and Akaroa Railway Trust Account		771 16 4
753	13 10			
		Further amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund in terms of section 17 of "The Appropriation Act, 1898"		50,000 0 0
25,000	0 0			
		Sinking Funds released,—		
		"Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862"	6,385	10 8
		"New Zealand Loan Act, 1860"	416	7 0
				6,801 17 8
		Recoveries on account of expenditure of previous quarters,—		
		Purchase of Native lands	205	8 1
		Charges and expenses of raising Loan	468	16 0
				674 4 1
50,000	0 0	Temporary advance from Consolidated Fund (repaid as per contra)		
£481,850	11 9	Totals		£498,543 8 5

WORKS FUND for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1898.	EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1899.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Annual Appropriations,—		
Cr. 296 4 1	Class I.—Immigration	Cr. 162 8 4	
1,989 3 1	" II.—Public Works, Departmental	2,483 9 10	
201,038 0 1	" III.—Railways	154,941 13 5	
94,784 10 5	" IV.—Roads	117,872 7 2	
11,274 14 2	" V.—Development of Goldfields	5,713 10 5	
18,586 1 5	" VI.—Purchase of Native Lands	20,856 19 2	
9,678 12 11	" VII.—Telegraph Extension	10,112 13 8	
37,865 18 0	" VIII.—Public Buildings	48,140 1 5	
1,784 12 2	" IX.—Lighthouses and Harbour Defences	8,196 13 0	
73 19 10	" X.—Rates on Native Lands	110 0 10	
2,404 6 6	" XI.—Contingent Defence	9,371 4 0	
379,183 14 6			377,636 4 7
	Unauthorised,—		
1,169 4 9	Services not provided for	50 17 6	
50,000 0 0	Temporary advance from Consolidated Fund repaid .. .. .	..	50 17 6
51,169 4 9			
	The Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896 and 1897,—		
..	3-per-cent. Stock credited hereto in error in account of last quarter	50,000 0 0	
5 5 0	Charges and expenses of raising loan .. .. .	..	50,000 0 0
	Balance at end of Quarter,—		
17,408 19 10	Cash in the Public Account	31,794 6 9	
18,595 2 11	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
15,488 4 9	In the Colony £16,509 13 0		
	In London 22,552 6 7		
51,492 7 6		39,061 19 7	70,856 6 4
£481,850 11 9	Totals .. .. .	..	£498,543 8 5

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE LAND FOR

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1898.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1899.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
253 2 1	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
1,173 19 2	Cash in the Public Account	5,889 18 2	
1,427 1 3	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government— In the Colony	3,081 16 5	8,971 14
30,000 0 0	Proceeds of Debentures created under— "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894" .. .. .	..	499,000 0
12,179 7 1	Receipts derived from— Rents and Lease-fees .. .. .	..	22,089 3
..	Recoveries on account of Expenditure of previous Quarters,—		
..	Highbank Estate	0 2 6	
	Pomahaka Estate	500 0 2	500 2
<u>£43,606 8 4</u>	Totals .. .. .	..	<u>£530,561 0</u>

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the GOVERNMENT

..	Advanced by the Bank of England on security of 3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock in respect of the second issue of the Loan under the Act .. .. .	..	25,000 0
..	Totals .. .. .	..	<u>£25,000 0</u>

SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1898.		EXPENDITURE.				QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1899.		
£	s. d.					£	s. d.	
392	5 8	Annual Appropriations,—				..	..
		Land for Settlements Expenses, Vote 112 .. .. .				..	1,977 10 1
		Acquirement of Estates, and expenses incidental thereto:—						
		Estate.	Purchase-money.		Incidental Expenses.			
			£	s. d.	£	s. d.		
1	1 0	Albury .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
8	5 2	Ardgowan .. .. .	..	..	1 0 0	1 0 0	..
41	18 8	Beaumont .. .. .	..	..	4 19 11	4 19 11	..
5	14 0	Blind River .. .. .	..	..	5 10 0	5 10 0	..
..	..	Elephant Hill (J. Douglas) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
170	6 10	Elsthorpe .. .. .	..	..	1 0 0	1 0 0	..
10,794	2 6	Hekeao .. .. .	..	..	116 13 4	116 13 4	..
..	..	Hatuma .. .. .	..	..	33 6 6	33 6 6	..
42	11 6	Highbank .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
141	15 7	Horsley Down .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	Karapiro .. .. .	..	..	16 6 4	16 6 4	..
5	14 10	Maerewhenua .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	Mahora (J. W. Williams) .. .. .	..	..	112 15 10	112 15 10	..
0	16 0	Merrivale .. .. .	..	..	3 13 0	3 13 0	..
0	11 5	Momona (Myrtle Bank) .. .. .	..	..	40 0 0	40 0 0	..
4,143	12 1	Okauia .. .. .	..	..	176 13 10	176 13 10	..
3	16 0	Omaka .. .. .	..	..	5 18 3	5 18 3	..
2	5 10	Omihi Stock Reserve .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	Orakapoa .. .. .	..	..	0 15 0	0 15 0	..
235	19 8	Otahu .. .. .	..	..	100 13 0	100 13 0	..
539	16 11	Paparangi .. .. .	..	..	1,095 9 2	1,095 9 2	..
1	4 0	Pareora .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
1,836	19 7	Pawaho .. .. .	..	..	20 6 6	20 6 6	..
85	11 0	Poerua .. .. .	..	..	316 5 0	316 5 0	..
473	3 11	Pomahaka .. .. .	..	..	2 16 0	2 16 0	..
1	7 9	Puketapu .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
14,014	0 0	Rangiatea .. .. .	..	..	40 12 6	40 12 6	..
..	..	Richmond Brook (F. H. Richmond) .. .. .	..	..	37 19 0	37 19 0	..
53	3 4	Roimata .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
..	..	Rural Section 2682 .. .. .	..	..	4 13 0	4 13 0	..
..	..	Starborough (Executors of R. Beaumont) .. .. .	..	..	797 5 0	797 5 0	..
..	..	Tamai (A. McLean) .. .. .	..	..	2,662 11 3	2,662 11 3	..
11	12 0	Teanaraki .. .. .	..	..	2 0 9	2 0 9	..
1	1 3	Tokarahi .. .. .	..	..	7 3 9	7 3 9	..
1	8 8	Tomoana .. .. .	..	..	13 11 3	13 11 3	..
1,721	17 8	Waihemo Grange .. .. .	..	..	2,346 13 0	2,346 13 0	..
..	..	Waimarie .. .. .	..	..	100 0 0	100 0 0	..
..	..	Waikakahi (A. McLean) .. .. .	..	..	1,690 0 4	1,690 0 4	..
56	0 0	Wharenui .. .. .	..	..	21 6 8	21 6 8	..
..	..	Willows (Bank of New Zealand) .. .. .	..	..	23 4 9	23 4 9	..
34,395	17 2		493,303	10 10	7,138	11 8	500,442 2 6	
22	4 6	Land exchanges under section 4 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
8,689	18 10	Balance at end of Quarter,—					27,532	5 8
106	2 2	Cash in the Public Account					609	2 2
8,796	1 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—						
..	..	In the Colony						
£43,606	8 4	Totals					28,141	7 10
							£530,561	0 5

ADVANCES TO SETTLERS LOAN ACCOUNT for the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1899.

..	Amount paid over to Government Advances to Settlers Office Account .. .. .	..	25,000	0 0
..	Totals .. .. .	..	£25,000	0 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of THE CHEVIOT

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1898.	RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1899.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1,173 15 3	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	2,491 17 1	
201 10 6	Cash in the Public Account		
	Advances in hand of Officers of the Government—		
	In the Colony		2,491 17 1
1,375 5 9			
275 0 0	Receipts under "The Cheviot Estate Disposition Act, 1893,"—	1,758 2 1	
5,535 18 8	Land Sales for Cash	5,144 18 0	
322 12 6	Rents from Lands		
22 10 0	Shipping and Port Charges	22 10 0	
	Interest on Advances		
6,156 1 2			6,925 10 1
132 7 9	Recoveries on account of expenditure of previous quarter		
£7,663 14 8	Totals		£9,417 7 2

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the CONVERSION

28,379 15 6	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	4,038 15 1	
	Cash in the Public Account		
593 8 10	Advances—		
	In hands of the Stock Agents—		
	Cash	£642 4 2	
75,000 0 0	In hands of the Agent-General—		
	3½-per-cent. Inscribed Stock		
103,973 4 4		642 4 2	4,680 19 3
103,535 0 0	3-per-cent. Inscribed Stock,—	140,371 10 0	
	Issued in exchange for Debentures	100,000 0 0	
	Issued for redemption of Debentures		240,371 10 0
103,535 0 0			
629 17 0	In reduction of Conversion Expenses,—		
	Premium on sale of Stock above par		
	Balance at end of Quarter,—	2,537 6 6	
	Cash overdrawn		
	Less Advances in hands of Stock Agents—	325 13 9	
	Cash		2,211 12 9
£208,138 1 4	Totals		£247,264 2 0

ESTATE ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1898.	EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR., 1899.	
£ s. d. 6,815 16 3 50 1 11	Interest, including arrears Surveys, Roading, &c.	£ s. d. 8,866 2 7 4 13 6	£ s. d. 8,870 16 1
6,865 18 2			
797 16 6	Appropriations,— Vote 111.—Cheviot Estate Expenses .. .. .	..	..
..	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..	546 11 1
£7,663 14 8	Totals .. .. .	..	£9,417 7 2

ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

..	Debtures converted into 3 per cent. Inscribed Stock,— Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896 and 1897— Due 3rd March, 1899, 3 per cent. £125,000 0 0 Due 11th March, 1899, " 10,000 0 0	135,000 0 0	
2,500 0 0	Consolidated Loan Act, 1867, at £104	600 0 0	
900 0 0	District Railways Purchasing Act, 1885, due 1st April, 1905, at £105½	4,500 0 0	
100,000 0 0	Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862, due 1st July, 1898 .. .. .	..
135 0 0	Consolidated Stock Act, 1884, due 28th May, 1898 .. .. .	..
103,535 0 0	Premium in respect of same	271 10 0	140,371 10 0
100,000 0 0	Debtures redeemed,— Lands Improvement and Native Lands Acquisition Act, 1894, due 30th September, 1908	3,900 0 0	
..	Otago Loan Ordinance, 1862, due 1st July, 1898	100,000 0 0	103,900 0 0
100,000 0 0	Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Acts, 1896 and 1897 .. .. .	..
..	Expenses Account,— Discount	1,093 15 0	
88 10 0	Brokerage and commission	307 15 0	
1,361 3 9	Stamp Duty	343 11 3	
321 6 7	Interest (overlap)	632 3 7	
146 13 8	Office Expenses	105 7 2	
143 5 0	Miscellaneous	510 0 0	2,992 12 0
2,060 19 0			
2,288 5 11	Balance at end of Quarter,— Cash in the Public Account .. .. .	..
253 16 5	Advances in the hands of Stock Agents— Cash .. .. .	..	..
2,542 2 4			
£208,138 1 4	Totals .. .. .	..	£247,264 2 0

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the LOANS TO LOCAL

QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1898.		RECEIPTS.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1899.	
£	s. d.		£	s. d.
10,911	16 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—		
		Cash in the Public Account	5,436	4 10
5,757	5 10	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
		In the Colony	6,285	3 5
16,669	1 10			11,721 8 3
34,400	0 0	The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886—		
		Debentures issued		17,500 0 0
		Refunds under section 8 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1886,"—		
		Counties—		
70	18 5	Kiwitea	147	1 8
		Pahiatua		
94	9 3	Road Boards—		
		Featherston		
		Manchester	276	16 5
165	7 8			423 18 1
6,000	0 0	Amount charged to Unauthorised now charged under Act, necessary steps having been completed,—		
		Hawke's Bay County		
£57,284	9 6	Totals		£29,645 6 4

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

4,450	0 0	Balance at beginning of Quarter,—	2,700	0 0
301,700	0 0	Cash in Deposit Account	374,200	0 0
		Investment Account		
306,150	0 0			376,900 0 0
50,035	0 0	Deposits inscribed		9,025 0 0
£356,185	0 0	Totals		£385,925 0 0

The Treasury, Wellington, 26th April, 1899.

Examined and found correct as regards the Railway Receipts.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

Examined and found to agree with the Collectors' Cash-books.

D. McKELLAR,
For Secretary and Inspector of Customs.

Examined and found correct as regards Territorial Revenue and Land Sales Receipts.

W. G. RUNCIE,
Auditor of Land Revenue.

BODIES ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1898.	EXPENDITURE.	QUARTER ENDED 31st MAR., 1899.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Payments to—		
	Counties,—		
1,100 0 0	Cheviot .. .. .	..
100 0 0	Clifton .. .. .	..
878 0 0	Cook .. .. .	..
775 0 0	Hawera	1,025 0 0	
6,000 0 0	Hawke's Bay .. .. .	..
..	Hobson	350 0 0	
170 0 0	Horowhenua .. .. .	..
..	Hutt	128 0 0	
..	Kiwitea	270 0 0	
..	Mackenzie	350 0 0	
..	Manawatu	250 0 0	
5,000 0 0	Ohinemuri .. .. .	..
750 0 0	Pahiatua .. .. .	..
600 0 0	Raglan .. .. .	..
500 0 0	Rangitikei	1,500 0 0	
3,750 0 0	Stratford	990 0 0	
..	Tuapeka	1,984 0 0	
..	Wairarapa South	400 0 0	
19,623 0 0			7,247 0 0
	Boroughs,—		
500 0 0	Dannevirke .. .. .	..
..	Greytown	500 0 0	
..	Pahiatua .. .. .	..
..	Petone	900 0 0	
..	Te Aroha	1,000 0 0	
500 0 0			2,400 0 0
	Road Boards,—		
..	Eketahuna	150 0 0	
..	Featherston	300 0 0	
..	Kaiti	1,000 0 0	
604 0 0	Manchester .. .. .	..
1,400 0 0	Manganui	200 0 0	
800 0 0	Masterton .. .. .	..
50 0 0	Mauriceville .. .. .	..
300 0 0	Moa .. .. .	..
400 0 0	Parihaka	1,750 0 0	
..	Porangahau	3,000 0 0	
1,000 0 0	Seatoun .. .. .	..
..	Taratahi-Carterton	500 0 0	
300 0 0	Turanga	50 0 0	
..	Upper Hurford	600 0 0	
995 0 0	Upper Taueru .. .. .	..
250 0 0	Waipipi .. .. .	..
450 0 0	Waiwakaiho .. .. .	..
545 0 0	Wirokino .. .. .	..
6,994 0 0			7,550 0 0
	Drainage Board,—		
500 0 0	Aorangi Land .. .. .	..
100 0 0	Otakia .. .. .	..
600 0 0			
	Unauthorised,—		
	Pohangina County .. .. .	..
27,717 0 0			
	Appropriations,—		
7,539 6 7	Vote 113—Roads and Bridges .. .. .	..	17,197 0 0
	Balance at end of Quarter,—		
21,826 19 11	Cash in the Public Account	2,808 7 1	
151 3 0	Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government—		
	In the Colony	1,541 10 1	
21,978 2 11			4,349 17 2
£57,234 9 6	Totals .. .. .	..	£29,645 6 4

ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT for the Quarters ended 31st MARCH, 1899 and 1898, respectively.

85 0 0	Balance at end of Quarter,—		
356,100 0 0	Cash in Deposit Account	25 0 0	
	Investment Account	385,900 0 0	
356,185 0 0			385,925 0 0
£356,185 0 0	Totals .. .. .	..	£385,925 0 0

ROBERT J. COLLINS,
Accountant to the Treasury.

JAMES B. HEYWOOD,
Secretary to the Treasury.

The foregoing accounts have been examined and found correct, subject to the following remarks:—

- (1.) The "Customs," "Railways," and "Territorial Revenue" receipts are not now examined by the Audit Office.
- (2.) The Audit Office is unable satisfactorily to verify the receipts of gold revenue, through the failure of the Mines Department to comply with a requisition for a certified statement of the amounts collectible as such revenue.
- (3.) The "Advances in the hands of Officers of the Government" include payments to the amount of £2,876 12s. 2d., though the accounts of the same were received at the Treasury before the close of the quarter. Such a contingency has been of invariable occurrence, and may in some measure be unavoidable, notwithstanding the requirement of section 71 of "The Public Revenues Act, 1891."
- (4.) The Conversion Account is overdrawn by £2,211 12s. 9d.

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

SUMMARY OF BALANCES ON 31st MARCH, 1899.

			BALANCES.					CASH.	ADVANCES.	INVESTMENTS.	TOTAL.		
			£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
CONSOLIDATED FUND :—					CONSOLIDATED FUND :—								
Ordinary Revenue Account ..	1,205,861	9 0*			Ordinary Revenue Account ..	801,799	17 6	62,961	11 6	341,100	0 0	1,205,861	9 0
State Forests Account ..	18,921	16 11			State Forests Account..	18,921	16 11	..	..	..	..	18,921	16 11
Accounts of Local Bodies ..	8,176	5 9			Accounts of Local Bodies ..	8,020	14 5	155	11 4	..	..	8,176	5 9
Deposit Accounts ..	135,062	9 2			Deposit Accounts ..	95,170	15 9	39,891	13 5	..	..	135,062	9 2
			1,368,022	0 10									
						923,913	4 7	103,008	16 3	341,100	0 0	1,368,022	0 10
PUBLIC WORKS FUND					PUBLIC WORKS FUND								
			70,856	6 4		31,794	6 9	39,061	19 7	..	..	70,856	6 4
CHEVIOT ESTATE ACCOUNT ..					CHEVIOT ESTATE ACCOUNT ..								
			546	11 1		546	11 1	..	..	..	..	546	11 1
LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT..					LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT..								
			28,141	7 10		27,532	5 8	609	2 2	..	..	28,141	7 10
CONVERSION ACCOUNT					CONVERSION ACCOUNT								
			<i>Dr.</i> 2,211	12 9		<i>Cr.</i> 2,537	6 6	325	13 9	..	..	<i>Cr.</i> 2,211	12 9
LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT					LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES ACCOUNT								
			4,349	17 2		2,808	7 1	1,541	10 1	..	..	4,349	17 2
NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT..					NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS ACCOUNT..								
			385,925	0 0		25	0 0	..	..	385,900	0 0	385,925	0 0
REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT					REMITTANCES TO LONDON ACCOUNT								
			<i>Dr.</i> 200,000	0 0		<i>Cr.</i> 200,000	0 0	..	..	..	..	<i>Cr.</i> 200,000	0 0
Totals					Totals								
			1,655,629	10 6		784,082	8 8	144,547	1 10	727,000	0 0	1,655,629	10 6

* Against this Treasury Bills amounting to £710,000 are outstanding.

Rainfall for April, 1899.

Station.	Observer	Total Fall, in inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours..
NORTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH-EAST ASPECT—NORTH CAPE TO EAST CAPE.				
Parengarenga	A. R. Crane .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Pakaraka	Hon. H. Williams, M.L.C. ..	2.53	13	0.45 on 14th
Parua Bay	D. Davidson	3.13	17	0.97 on 14th
Waihi (Thames)	H. B. Devereux	2.98	10	0.57 on 14th
Auckland	Government Observer	2.41	11	0.94 on 14th
Cuvier Island	Lightkeeper .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Tauranga	R. O. Stewart	2.50	15	0.60 on 14th
Athenree (Tauranga)	Captain Stewart	1.97	15	0.55 on 13th
Rotorua	Dr. Kenny	1.99	7	0.59 on 28th
Rotorua (State Forest)	J. E. Barrett	2.12	15	0.59 on 28th
(B.) NORTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE MARIA VAN DIEMEN TO CAPE EGDMONT.				
Kaitaia	W. G. Puckey	2.18	10	1.00 on 11th
Paihia (Russell)	Captain Burleigh .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Awakino	N. A. Robison	3.72	11	1.27 on 12th
Te Kopua (Waikato)	Rev. H. Young	3.30	10	0.75 on 12th
Raglan	H. V. Rutherford	5.21	9	1.49 on 13th
New Plymouth	F. E. Clarke	6.49	16	2.35 on 10th
Upper Mongorei	Mrs. Monro	7.89	17	2.21 on 13th
Inglewood	Miss N. Trimble	7.51	10	3.10 on 13th
Ngatimaru	R. Drummond	6.04	7	2.16 on 12th
(C.) SOUTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE EGDMONT TO CAPE TERAWHITI.				
Mangaraka (Waitara)	D. Wilkie	2.56	8	1.10 on 10th
Upper Waitotara	E. F. Liffiton	5.71	13	2.08 on 9th
Omata Valley	C. Forde	5.89	12	2.65 on 9th
Stratford	Miss Bobin	3.42	12	1.17 on 9th
Opunake	A. H. Moore	4.24	8	1.47 on 10th
Manaia	P. T. Peacock	4.47	12	1.97 on 10th
Hawera	J. Livingston	5.23	11	1.68 on 9th
Oruamatua (Patea)	A. S. Birch	2.50	9	0.57 on 8th
Kapara	F. R. Field	7.34	18	2.73 on 9th
Kaponga	C. Maclean	3.87	9	1.35 on 9th
Aramoho (Wanganui)	J. T. Stewart	4.03	12	1.76 on 9th
Wanganui	H. F. Seager	5.28	10	2.00 on 9th
Kaitoke	A. Wychodil	4.00	11	1.72 on 9th
No. 2 Line (Wanganui)	H. I. Jones	3.84	11	1.48 on 9th
Raetihi (Wanganui)	G. T. Murray	4.22	16	1.39 on 9th
Campbelltown	H. Sanson	3.01	9	1.00 on 9th
Feilding	Miss E. M. Goodbehere	2.11	13	0.78 on 9th
Te Kumu	G. S. Fulton	3.78	11	1.51 on 9th
Hunterville	G. L. Cook	3.81	13	1.31 on 9th
Erehwon	Mrs. Caccia-Birch .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Ruanui*	J. F. Studholme	3.24	12	1.00 on 10th
West Waitapu	J. Gurflee	3.24	15	1.23 on 9th
Ashhurst	H. Barnes	2.46	13	0.72 on 9th
Bull's	E. J. Keiller	2.55	10	1.21 on 9th
Raumai	T. K. Grieve	2.34	11	0.60 on 9th
Palmerston North	C. J. Monro	2.27	14	0.59 on 14th
State Farm (Levin)	O. J. Blaine	4.24	15	1.07 on 14th
Otaki	M. H. Ayre	3.37	16	0.87 on 12th
Kereru	C. A. Muggleton	5.74	8	1.04 on 12th
Pukerua	W. Bell	3.27	11	0.80 on 10th
Pahautanui	J. Pearce	2.87	12	0.75 on 13th
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALMER.				
Waipiro	J. S. Dodgshun	8.19	13	5.74 on 23rd
Matahiia	F. J. Kemp .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Tolago Bay	A. Reeves	12.30	13	8.25 on 23rd
Gisborne	Rev. H. W. Williams	8.08	17	1.40 on 23rd
Patutahi	H. N. Watson	5.46	11	4.12 on 23rd
Maraetaha	J. Woodbine Johnson	6.18	13	3.52 on 23rd
Tiniroto	A. J. Wickes	4.50	12	1.85 on 23rd
Waikaremoana	Fenton Lambert	2.46	9	0.97 on 10th
Tutira Lake†	H. Guthrie-Smith	4.26	8	2.05 on 23rd
Rakamoana	J. Moore	4.55	14	2.47 on 23rd
Te Kowhai	J. H. Absalom .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Petane	W. H. Smith	7.39	8	5.69 on 23rd
Napier	E. Lyndon	4.16	6	2.54 on 22nd
Hastings	J. N. Williams	2.71	7	1.40 on 23rd
Waimarama	Thomas R. Moore	3.66	12	1.26 on 22nd
Mangakuri	G. C. Williams	2.70	10	1.18 on 23rd
Te Aute	S. B. Ludbrook	2.46	11	0.93 on 23rd
Maraekakaho	A. Lockie	3.05	8	1.80 on 23rd
Gwavas	J. Nicoll	2.68	15	1.37 on 23rd
Mount Vernon	J. W. Harding	2.11	12	0.93 on 23rd
Ormondville	J. C. Westall	2.24	9	0.77 on 23rd
Woodville	J. Leithead	2.74	15	0.68 on 14th
Pahiatua	W. Tosswill	3.31	16	0.80 on 7th
Tane	H. A. Lambert	2.53	13	0.66 on 22nd
Eketahuna	T. Lewis	3.11	8	0.75 on 13th
Otahuao	Miss E. A. D. Bennett	1.73	9	0.38 on 13th
Masterton	J. Payton	2.08	12	0.51 on 15th
Carterton	H. Braithwaite	2.52	10	0.82 on 14th
Featherston	G. G. Wellsted	2.92	10	0.57 on 8.h
Late returns—				
* March .. ..	.. ..	2.78	10	1.00 on 13th
† March .. ..	.. ..	4.68	8	1.13 on 14th

Rainfall for April, 1899—continued.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours).
NORTH ISLAND—continued.				
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALLISER—continued.				
Summit	M. Cronin	4.85	11	0.92 on 10th
Upper Hutt	J. Hanning	3.32	6	0.80 on 1st and 28th
Taita	T. Mason	3.01	12	0.99 on 13th
Wainuiomata	J. Quaintance	3.77	9	0.84 on 13th
Lower Hutt	Miss Heaton	3.19	9	1.08 on 13th
Petone	Sir J. Hector	3.31	8	1.10 on 13th
Wellington	Government Observer	3.60	13	1.06 on 13th
Te Aro	Miss Mestayer .. ..	..	..	..
Karori	W. Edmonds	3.19	12	0.70 on 8th
SOUTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO KAIKOURA.				
Nelson	Dr. Hudson	4.64	13	1.46 on 8th
Waimea (Nelson)	W. E. Hayne .. ..	..	..	..
Stephens Island	Lightkeeper	7.34	6	2.28 on 9th
The Brothers*	Lightkeeper .. ..	..	..	..
Avondale Station (Blenheim)	C. de V. Teschemaker	2.71	11	1.00 on 8th
Manaroa (Pelorus Sounds)	W. B. Tosswill	5.25	11	1.93 on 13th
Blenheim	N. T. Prichard	1.89	7	0.82 on 8th
Cape Campbell	Lightkeeper	0.16	2	0.15 on 27th
Flaxbourne	W. Tatchell	2.23	11	0.49 on 23rd
Kekerangu	W. J. White	3.24	13	1.68 on 8th
Mount Fyffe (Kaikoura)	J. Davidson	2.60	12	0.70 on 8th
Kaikoura	Dr. J. St. C. Gunn	3.17	14	0.87 on 8th
Hanmer Plains	Miss Taylor	3.70	8	1.20 on 9th
(B.) WEST ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Farewell Spit	Lightkeeper	10.55	8	4.84 on 9th
Pakawau	T. C. V. Field	15.73	11	5.75 on 9th
Westport	H. S. Ewan	8.15	18	3.71 on 15th
Denniston	A. B. Lindop	12.25	18	5.16 on 8th
Ngahere	J. Scott	10.38	17	1.95 on 10th
Greymouth	J. Conner	11.42	15	2.27 on 21st
Hokitika	A. D. Macfarlane	4.55	9	1.61 on 10th
Dusky Sound†	R. Henry .. ..	..	..	..
Puysegur Point‡	Lightkeeper	32.57	25	5.44 on 4th
(C.) EAST ASPECT—KAIKOURA TO CAPE SAUNDERS.				
Cheviot	Dr. Campbell-Wilkinson	3.33	11	0.85 on 27th
Waiau	F. S. Northcote	4.14	8	1.25 on 8th
Akaroa	Miss Jacobson	2.40	8	0.70 on 15th
Port Hills (Christchurch)	Miss M. L. Higgins	2.72	9	0.60 on 7th and 8th
Christchurch	A. L. Taylor	3.19	12	1.35 on 8th
Linwood	J. A. Biltcliff	1.87	12	0.81 on 8th
Lincoln	J. W. Mellor	1.84	10	0.64 on 8th
Southbridge	D. McMillan	2.22	8	1.22 on 8th
Hororata	Hon. Sir J. Hall, K.C.M.G.	1.99	9	0.93 on 8th
Kapunatiki	Hon. W. Rolleston	2.04	8	0.85 on 8th
Orari	John Murray	2.42	10	0.88 on 8th
Bealey	C. White	2.12	9	0.70 on 8th
Mt. Peel	Mrs. O. Scott Thompson	3.41	10	1.00 on 8th
Peel Forest	W. E. Barker	4.76	11	1.17 on 8th
Methven	H. G. Baker	2.89	12	0.85 on 8th
Winchmore (Ashburton)	A. E. Hart	2.38	8	1.04 on 8th
Windermere	Miss F. J. M. Wright	2.30	12	1.19 on 8th
Timaru	C. H. Tripp	2.69	13	0.85 on 8th
Fairlie	D. H. Gillingham	1.65	8	0.78 on 8th
Waimate	E. F. Hamilton	2.00	10	0.50 on 8th
Geraldine	A. L. Temple	2.87	12	1.40 on 8th
Woodbury (Geraldine)	B. E. H. Tripp .. ..	..	..	..
Windsor Park (Oamaru)	E. Menlove	2.00	14	0.54 on 30th
Oamaru	G. Anderson	1.50	8	0.39 on 9th
Maheno	C. de S. Teschemaker	1.15	5	0.39 on 8th
(D.) SOUTH ASPECT—CAPE SAUNDERS TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Otekaike (North Otago)§	M. McKellar	1.17	9	0.40 on 15th
Macetown	W. J. Stanford .. ..	..	..	..
Queenstown	L. Hotop	3.40	13	0.95 on 21st
St. Bathans	J. Ewing	2.33	14	0.45 on 21st
Gladbrook Station	D. Crawford	2.71	12	0.75 on 15th
Roxburgh	Dr. W. J. Mullin	2.15	10	1.07 on 15th
Kokonga	R. W. Glendinning	1.29	10	0.31 on 8th
Dunedin	Government Observer	3.36	15	1.00 on 27th
Caversham	G. M. Burlinson	3.77	16	0.60 on 2nd and 6th
Eweburn	A. W. Roberts	0.83	8	0.21 on 8th
Tapanui	J. Gleeson	3.42	21	0.65 on 6th and 15th
Kaitangata	W. M. Shore	3.97	14	0.87 on 14th
Balclutha	C. C. Halliday	2.82	15	0.69 on 5th
Naseby	G. L. Stewart	2.61	12	0.48 on 27th
Alexandra South	J. Tait	0.38	3	0.30 on 10th
Clyde	L. D. Macgeorge	0.45	4	0.18 on 21st
Wyndham	W. H. Rodney .. ..	..	..	..
Dipton	R. D. MacLachlan	3.26	15	0.78 on 15th
Ratanui	J. Fraser	6.71	21	1.49 on 15th
Invercargill	J. L. Bush	5.88	24	0.89 on 15th
Otautau	N. A. McLaren	5.24	21	1.03 on 15th
Nightcaps	J. Ritchie	4.02	16	1.03 on 15th
Chatham Islands	A. Shand .. ..	..	..	..
Late returns—				
* March .. ..	.. ..	4.66	7	1.62 on 13th
† February .. ..	.. ..	9.20	15	3.70 on 5th
‡ March .. ..	.. ..	14.58	20	4.75 on 1st
§ March .. ..	.. ..	14.23	17	5.05 on 2nd
§ March .. ..	.. ..	1.88	8	0.59 on 12th

J. HECTOR, Director.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, AUCKLAND, 5th May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Cambridge, Waikato, on the 18th day of May, 1899, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Auckland, 99-35.] JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED CASES.		
3	Rangiuia Hemi (92-1579, 2/250)	Whakamaru Maungaiti (5,000 acres).
4	Inakara Kahua, Iharaia te Puke, Hape Tahere, Mokopuna, Werahiko Taher, and others (92-1657, 2/251)	Maungaiti (5,000 acres).
5	Hera Peka, Matenga Hori, and others (92-2047, 2/261)	Whakamaru Maungaiti (5,000 acres).
6	Hipihipi Ngahaki and Mourea Tarakihi (92-1787, 2/252)	Te Whetu.
7	Eruera te Rangietu (92-3281, 2/268)	Te Waotu South No. 1A.
8	Makuini te Whakarehu (92-3355, 2/269)	Te Waotu South No. 1A.
9	Te Huiatahi, Pare Turanga, Ngapire, and others (93-1035, 2/280)	Te Waotu South D No. 3.
10	Pahu Ngapukoro, Kararina Rangitahuna, Hamahona Here-taunga, Hoani Makaho, and others (93-1091, 2/283)	Te Waotu South D No. 3.
11	Te Huiatahi, Pare Turanga, Ngapire, and others (93-1087, 2/281)	Te Waotu South D No. 6.
12	Pahu Ngapukoro, Kararina Rangitahuna, Hamahona Here-taunga, Hoani Makaho, and others (93-1089, 2/282)	Te Waotu South D No. 6.
13	Ruiha te Aorere (Louisa Ada Wilson), Jessie Campbell Wilson, and (Thomas Henry Wilson), Henare Aorere (336-6, 3/28)	Maungatautari No. 3A.
14	Ruiha te Aorere (Louisa Ada Wilson), Jessie Campbell Wilson, and (Thomas Henry Wilson), Henare Aorere (336-7, 2/27)	Maungatautari No. 3C.
15	Makereti Hopai Pakihana, Ati Pakihana, Te Rakapa Pihama, and Te Matepupuhi Pihama (92-3543, 2/270)	Maungatautari No. 4F.
16	William George Kay (359-26, 3/37)	Maungatautari No. 4H, Section 1.
17	Tongariro Kee, Taukiri Kee, Pohe Kee, Kee Tongariro, and Pare-aimoa Tongariro (239-18)	Wharepuhunga.
18	Makuini te Whakarehu, Wiremu Honeri, and others (239-19)	Wharepuhunga.
19	Te Aweroa, Te Rangimoeakau, Mamae Aweroa, Ngarama Hatua, and others (239-20)	Wharepuhunga.
20	Teretiu Reupena and others (9) (239-21)	Wharepuhunga.
21	Kerekeha Huiarangi, Teretiu Reupena, and others (239-116, 3/123)	Wharepuhunga No. 2.
22	Rehua te Manuiti, Kotehe Koteara, Ngaraka Hatua, Hineiwaho Moihi, Pari Ngatumu, and Marino Puehutore (239-121, 3/133)	Wharepuhunga No. 2.
23	Huirama Puke, Matekino, Tera (239-127, 3/144)	Wharepuhunga.
NEW CASES.		
24	Pare Pumai te Whetuiti and Rukuhia Tatana (375-24, 3/82)	Maungatautari No. 5A No. 1.
25	Piripi Whanatang, Heta Tarawhiti, Wharepouri Whanatang, Mere K. Tarawhiti, H. K. Tarawhiti, Tawhe W. Whanatang, Ngapera W. Whanatang, Pane T. Whanatang, Hemo T. Whanatang, Arahanga Tipene, Wharematai, Amotitoki Tipene, Korae Whanatang, and M. P. Tarawhiti (336-22, 3/85)	Maungatautari No. 3A, Section 5.
26	Te Waiti Noka, Wikitoria Rangituturu, and Hohua Toti (235-2, 3/98)	Maungatautari No. 2.
27	Mite Kukutai, Ngatete Karaka te Aho, Wiremu Karaka te Aho (359-75, 3/107)	Maungatautari No. 4H.

APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION OF RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED CASES.		
243	Hera Peka, Matenga Hori, and others (93-2045, 2/260)	Whakamaru Maungaiti (5,000 acres).
244	Hera Peka, Whata Honere, and Matenga Hori (92-2589, 2/262)	Whakamaru Maungaiti (5,000 acres).
NEW CASE.		
245	Roka H. Hopere (375-12, 3/46)	Maungatautari No. 5B.

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

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED CASE.		
246	The Minister of Lands (239-33, 2/134)	Wharepuhunga No. 2.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 39 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Nature of Application.
ADJOURNED CASE.			
247	Pare te Korae Poutama (289-122, 1/128)	Wharepuhunga	Application to have his name inserted in the order for the said land.

APPLICATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
249	Te Paea Harawira (J. 97/1256, 563-2, 2/9)	.. .. . Lot 9, Parish of Putataka.
250	Te Paea Harawira (J. 97/1256, 564-2, 2/10)	.. .. . Lot 10, Parish of Putataka.
251	Te Paea Harawira (J. 97/1256, 696-1, 2/11)	.. .. . Lot 16, Parish of Putataka.

APPLICATION FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDER.

No.	Name of Surveyor.	Name of Land.	Area.	Amount.
ADJOURNED CASE.				
252	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland District (289-125, 4/121)	Wharepuhunga	A. R. P. 133,706 2 0	£ s. d. 33 1 6

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
253	Conveyance (C.A. 97-101)	21st November, 1894	Pukekura No. 5A Block	Hori Wirihana, of Maungatutari, to William Adams, of Auckland.
254	Transfer (C.A. 99-47) ..	7th March, 1899 ..	Part of Maungatapu Block	Hotene Ngaki, of Te Au-o-Waikato, to Seth Webb, of Morrinsville.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Sitting of Court adjourned.

Native Land Court Office, Gisborne, 15th May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Appellate Court advertised to take place at Wairoa on the 7th June, 1899, has been adjourned to the 21st June, 1899, at the same place.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Sitting of Court adjourned.

Native Land Court Office, Gisborne, 16th May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Land Court advertised to take place at Wairoa on the 7th June, 1899, has been adjourned to the 21st June, 1899.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Sitting of Court adjourned.

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 15th May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Appellate Court advertised to take place at Dannevirke on the 31st May, 1899, has been adjourned to the 14th June, 1899, at the same place.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 15th May, 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 Whanganui on the 30th day of May, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

[Wellington, 99-34.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
372	Lease (99-80)	15th April, 1899 ..	Kaiate No. 2 (part of)	Haruru te Rangi and others to Frederick Marcus Field.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
375	Kahukaka Tepinga and another	Karaka B No. 2.
376	Reweti Keepa and another	Ngaporo.
377	Hone Waitere	Ruatangata No. 1.
378	Raukura Waitere	Ruatangata No. 2.
378A	Ru Reweti	Taonui No. 1.

APPLICATIONS FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDERS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
439	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 1	£ s. d. 42 14 3
440	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 2	35 0 4
441	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 3	14 3 8
442	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 4	37 17 9
443	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 5	7 6 10
444	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 6	7 6 10
445	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 7	14 13 8
446	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4A 3c No. 8	32 17 0
447	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 3	18 12 6
448	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 4	4 12 0
449	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 5	2 5 11
450	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 6	9 4 0
451	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 7	8 19 10
452	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 8	73 15 9
453	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 9	112 10 8
454	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 10	36 5 7
455	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 11	28 0 8
456	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 12	38 3 2
457	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 13	16 1 1
458	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 14	9 4 5
459	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Awarua 4c No. 15	108 11 4
460	Commissioner of Crown Lands	Rangitatau 1d No. 2	106 19 2

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 16th May, 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 Waikouaiti on the 20th day of June, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 99-35.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
138	Hone Rapatini and others	Otago Heads, Block D, Section 5 (Papanui).
139	Tamati te Wahia	Waikouaiti, Section 62.
140	Teone Rena te Mamaru	Waikouaiti, Section 79 (Puketiraki).
141	Tame Parata	Waikouaiti, Section 81.
142	Tame Parata	Arowhenua No. 884.

APPLICATIONS FOR PROBATE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.	Name of Objector.
217	Henare Whakatau Uru	Hoani Uru .. .. .	.. .. .
218	H. K. Taiaroa	Mata Kukai .. .. .	.. .. .
219	Teone Rena te Mamaru	Arama Karaka	Pirihira Wetere.
220	Teone Parata and another	Mata Taniera .. .. .	.. .. .
221	Hare Kahu	Irihapeti Mohi te Aika .. .. .	.. .. .

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

WHEREAS by Order in Council dated the 15th day of August, 1898, His Excellency the Governor, in exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and acting by and with the consent of the Executive Council, has authorised the said Court to exercise in respect of the lands specified in the Schedule hereto the jurisdiction conferred by subsection (10) of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," that is to say, to determine whether or not the said lands or any part thereof were, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such lands, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such lands, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instruments of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said lands all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection (10) of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894":

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that the said matters will be heard and determined by the Native Land Court sitting at Waikouaiti on the 20th day of June, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

ALL those parcels of land, situate in the Provincial District of Otago, known as Sections Nos. 101 and 102, and Township Reserve, Block XII., Waikouaiti Native Reserve, being the lands comprised in orders of the Native Land Court dated 26th March, 1887.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 17th May, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that an 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 in the *New Zealand Gazette*.
[Sec. 55, 99-8.]

R. O. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Mortgage (99-88)	9th May, 1899	Otago Heads Native Reserve, Sections 13, 15, and part of 15A	Ta One Wiwi Kerei Tairaroa to the Perpetual Trustees Estate and Agency Company of New Zealand (Limited).

Government Observatory.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations, Wellington, for the month of April, 1899. Altitude above the sea, 140ft. Observations taken at 9.30 a.m.

Date.	Barometer reduced and corrected, in Inches.	From Self-registering Instruments, for Twenty-four Hours previously.							Amount of Cloud, 0 to 10.	Direction of Wind.
		Max. Temp. in Shade.	Min. Temp. in Shade.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Solar Radiation.	Terrestrial Radiation.	Rainfall, in Inches.	Veloc. Wind, in Miles.		
1	30.350	Fah. 70.0	Fah. 51.4	Fah. 60.7	Fah. 118	Fah. 41	..	60	3	Calm
2	30.800	73.0	53.0	63.0	118	44	..	10	0	Calm
3	30.280	73.0	55.0	64.0	120	47	..	130	3	N.W.
4	30.293	71.0	61.8	66.4	120	54	..	210	4	N.W.
5	30.296	70.0	61.0	65.5	122	53	..	280	5	N.W.
6	30.199	67.0	61.0	64.0	100	53	..	290	4	N.W.
7	30.202	69.0	54.5	61.7	115	46	..	70	3	Calm
8	30.193	72.0	57.0	64.5	125	52	.790	20	8	E.
9	30.150	66.0	59.0	62.5	70	54	.390	10	6	Calm
10	29.945	64.0	59.0	61.5	90	52	.170	40	5	N.W.
11	29.944	67.5	60.0	63.7	115	51	..	250	2	N.W.
12	30.110	71.8	54.0	62.9	118	49	..	80	5	Calm
13	29.556	66.0	58.0	62.0	102	50	1.060	220	7	N.W.
14	29.948	65.0	46.0	55.5	98	39	.440	140	3	S.
15	29.872	59.0	47.0	53.0	107	41	.090	190	4	S.
16	30.200	58.0	49.5	53.7	112	40	..	150	2	S.
17	30.108	64.0	54.0	59.0	109	46	..	100	4	N.W.
18	29.960	63.0	52.0	57.5	108	43	..	180	3	S.
19	30.024	62.3	47.0	54.6	110	39	..	40	5	S.
20	30.016	60.3	43.0	54.1	110	39	..	80	3	N.W.
21	29.758	66.3	58.5	62.4	110	48	.040	410	5	N.W.
22	30.091	65.0	53.0	59.0	110	45	.110	100	7	S.E.
23	30.200	58.5	47.0	52.7	82	39	.090	50	4	S.
24	29.960	62.0	47.0	54.5	115	37	..	20	4	N.W.
25	29.854	63.0	52.0	57.5	109	43	..	100	4	N.W.
26	29.699	61.0	55.8	58.4	108	47	..	210	5	N.W.
27	29.854	65.0	46.0	55.5	111	40	.270	50	7	S.E.
28	29.648	53.7	38.9	43.3	92	33	.020	80	3	N.W.
29	29.779	63.0	46.5	54.7	106	36	.130	70	4	S.
30	29.750	60.0	51.5	55.7	103	41	.008	190	4	N.W.
*	30.017	65.1	52.8	58.9	107.7	44.7	3.608	127	4.2	..
†	30.053	..	..	57.0	..	..	3.525	..	..	..

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

NOTE.—Fine early part of month, then showery with intervals of very fine weather; the maximum rain recorded on 13th, 1.06 in.; prevailing N.W. wind and generally moderate; fog on 8th and 9th. Maximum temperature in shade 79°, minimum 38° 9; mean temperature of dew-point, 49° 5; mean humidity, 71. Earthquake on 16th, slight, at 10.14 p.m.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that MICHAEL BEN PEARSON, of Auckland, Draper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 18th day of May, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 11th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHRISTINA JANE CATTELL, of Wanganui, Fruiterer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, Wanganui, on Friday, the 19th day of May, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 12th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HANNAH KENDRICK (formerly Peachey) and JOHN WILLIAM WRIGHT LOWTHER HUSSEY, of Wanganui, Milk-dealers (trading as "Peachey and Hussey"), were this day adjudged bankrupts; and I hereby call a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, Wanganui, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of May, 1899, at 2.30 p.m.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 16th May, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends in the under-mentioned estates are now payable at my office on all proved claims, upon production of promissory notes (if any) for indorsement:—

COMPOSITION.

- J. W. Hope, 5s. in the pound, in full settlement.
- W. J. Wylie, 2s. 6d. in the pound, first instalment.
- Andrew Reid, first and final, 4s. in the pound.
- V. J. Sorensen, first and final, 1s. 9d. in the pound.
- E. D. Dunne, first and final, 9d. in the pound.
- F. Watkinson, first and final, 6½d. in the pound.
- John Shout, second, 4d. in the pound.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 13th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HERBERT JOHN GARY, of Wellington, Ironmonger, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 22nd day of May, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 16th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD LUMSDEN BROWN, of Nelson, Cabman, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 29th day of May, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

W. ROUT, JUN.,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Nelson, 15th May, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that EUSTACE L. CHAFFEY, of Tokakahi, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, at Oamaru, on Friday, the 19th day of May, 1899, at 2 o'clock p.m.

CHAS. W. COOKE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Oamaru, 11th May, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that F. J. SIMKIN, of Oamaru, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, at Oamaru, on Monday, the 22nd day of May, 1899, at 12 o'clock.

CHAS. W. COOKE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Oamaru, 15th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN GILMOUR, of Port Chalmers, formerly of Balclutha, Butcher, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 15th day of May, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 9th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JAMES HENLEY, of Balclutha, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 18th day of May, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 11th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT BROWN, of Kaingata, Miner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 22nd day of May, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 15th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WALTER HENRY GUTERY, of Nightcaps, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 19th day of May, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 11th May, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that DUNCAN CHARLES PATRICK McARTHUR, of Charlton, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Gore, on the 23rd day of May, 1899, at 2 o'clock.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 12th May, 1899.

Mining Notices.

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Buller Junction Gold-dredging Company (Limited) as a limited company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," and the amendments thereof.

1. The name of the company is to be the Buller Junction Gold-dredging Company (Limited).

2. The place of intended operations is in or near the bed of the Buller River, in the Provincial District of Nelson, or such other place or places in New Zealand as may from time to time be decided upon by the company.

3. The registered office of the company will be situated in Bridge Street, Reefton, County of Inangahua, Colony of New Zealand.

4. The nominal capital of the company is nine thousand three hundred and seventy-five pounds, divided into twelve thousand five hundred shares of fifteen shillings each, of which two thousand five hundred shares shall be issued as paid up to ten shillings per share; and upon the shares so issued as paid up to ten shillings no calls shall be made until ten shillings per share shall be called up upon the remaining shares in the company.

5. The number of shares subscribed for is twelve thousand five hundred, being the entire number of shares in the company.

6. The amount already paid up is seven hundred and fifty pounds, being one shilling and sixpence per share.

7. The name of the Manager is Bernard Patrick McMahon. 8. The names, and addresses, and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follow:—

Contributing Shares.	No. of Shares.
Kingswell, P. N., Reefton, Mining Investor	.. 1,000
Black, George, Reefton, Mine-manager	.. 500
Ferens, T. J. W., Reefton, Bank-manager	.. 250
Noonan, William, Reefton, Clerk	.. 250
Free, S. L. P., Reefton, Solicitor	.. 1,000
McMahon, B. P., Reefton, Mining Agent	.. 250
Budge, H. F., Reefton, Bootmaker	.. 250
Woolhouse, E., Reefton, Storekeeper	.. 200
Campbell, A., Reefton, Bank Accountant	.. 100
Dunbar, A., Reefton, Saddler	.. 100
Crumpton, Thomas, Reefton, Blacksmith	.. 100
Sutherland, R. A., Reefton, Hairdresser	.. 50
Kater, H., Reefton, Tinsmith	.. 100
Aitken, R. M., Reefton, Metallurgist	.. 200
Cochrane, W., Reefton, Livery-stable Keeper	.. 200
Scantlebury, E. J., Reefton, Stationer	.. 200
Dawson, John, Reefton, Hotelkeeper	.. 200
McNeill, R. W. J., Reefton, Mining Agent	.. 100
Whitton, Thomas B., Reefton, Doctor	.. 300
Billett, James, Reefton, Contractor	.. 100
Barkley, W. B., Reefton, Draper	.. 200
Pearce, Frank, Reefton, Mining Superintendent	.. 250
Green, R. E., Black's Point, Teacher	.. 100
Jones, W. H., Reefton, Miner	.. 200
Kingswell, E. C., Reefton, Speculator	.. 250
Dunphy, R., Reefton, Hotelkeeper	.. 200
Grange, B. B., Reefton, Draper	.. 200
Dixon, J. D., Reefton, Speculator	.. 200
Spencer, Ernest W., Reefton, Engineer	.. 500
Cresswell, W. J., Christchurch, Solicitor	.. 500
Stringer, T. W., Christchurch, Solicitor	.. 1,000
Evans, W. Bowen, Reefton, Metallurgist	.. 250
McMahon, B. P., Reefton, Manager (in trust for absent shareholders)	.. 700

Paid up to 10s. per Share.

Budge, H. F., Reefton, Bootmaker	.. 2,500
Total	.. 12,500

Dated at Reefton, this 6th day of May, 1899.

B. P. McMAHON,
Manager.

Witness to signature—B. N. Kingswell, Mining Investor, Reefton.

I, Bernard Patrick McMahon, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

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

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

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

B. P. McMAHON.

Taken before me, at Reefton, this 6th day of May, 1899—
E. J. Scantlebury, J.P.

UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1898."

APPLICATION FOR A MINING PRIVILEGE IN RESPECT OF WATER.

To the Warden of the Karamea Mining District, at Westport.

TAKE notice that, pursuant to "The Mining Act, 1898," and regulations made thereunder, I, John Craig McKerrow, of Wellington, gentleman, have this day duly marked out the piece of land described in the Schedule hereto (rough sketch-plan whereof is lodged herewith), and intend to make application for the issue to me of a license in respect thereof for a tail-race, particulars whereof are set forth in the said Schedule. And I hereby declare as follows:—

- (a.) That all conditions precedent to the grant of the application have happened or been duly complied with.
- (b.) That the grant of the application will not prejudicially affect the rights of any other person.
- (c.) That I verily believe I am entitled to the grant of the application.
- (d.) That I desire the license to be for a term of twenty-one years, but so nevertheless as to expire on the 31st day of December.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1899.

J. C. MCKERROW

(By his Solicitors, FREE AND COTTRELL).

Date and number of miner's right: 8/8/98; 34468.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

Land: Section 13, Karamea, the property of James Scarlett, of Karamea, farmer.

Particulars of mining privilege:—(a.) The approximate point of intake, terminal point, and intended course of the race: Commencing at a point in the northern boundary of Section 12, Karamea, about 6 chains from the north-east boundary of the said section, and terminating in Chasm Creek; westerly. (b.) Its approximate length, and average depth and breadth: About 9 chains; 6 ft. by 6 ft. (c.) The estimated time and cost of its construction: Six months; £400. (d.) The purpose or purposes for which the race is intended to be used: Tail-race, to carry tailings.

The address for service is: Karamea; or, Care of Free and Cottrell, Solicitors, Westport.

The foregoing application was filed in the office of the Mining Registrar at Westport on Tuesday, the 9th day of May, 1899, at 2.35 o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated at Westport, this 9th day of May, 1899.

E. C. KELLING,

Mining Registrar.

The foregoing application, and all objections thereto, will be heard by the Warden at the Courthouse, Westport, on Tuesday, the 6th day of June, 1899, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. Any person desirous of objecting must, at least two days before the day so appointed for hearing, enter his objection, and give notice thereof in the prescribed manner.

Dated at Westport, this 9th day of May, 1899.

E. C. KELLING,

Mining Registrar.

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WAIHI CONSOLIDATED GOLD-MINES (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the above-named company, now in liquidation, to cease carrying on business in New Zealand, and also that the Office or place of business in New Zealand of the new company of the same name (incorporated on the 19th day of December last) is at the office of the undersigned, Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

CHAS. E. PURCHAS,

Local Attorney for the new Company.

HESKETH AND RICHMOND, Solicitors.

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THE GREAT MERCURY GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the above-named company will voluntarily cease to carry on business in any part of New Zealand at the expiration of three calendar months from the 18th day of May, 1899.

Dated at Auckland, this 12th day of May, 1899.

THE GREAT MERCURY GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY)

(By its Attorney, H. GILFILLAN, Jun.).

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RAVENSCLIFF MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the Ravenscliff Mining Company (Limited) has been removed from Waikakaho, Marlborough, to 96, Colombo Street, Christchurch; and that it is the intention of the said company to cease carrying on business three months from date hereof.

C. H. TURNER,
Attorney for said Company.

Christchurch,
21st April, 1899.

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Land Transfer Act Notices.

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.

763. ELIZA CHOLWILL.—Section 212, Town of New Plymouth, 1 rood 5 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 1301).

Dated this 13th day of May, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,

District Land Registrar.

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

8489. HENRY ALBERT BODDINGTON and MARY ANNE ELIZABETH BEST.—374 perches, part of Rural Section 321, Borough of Kaiapoi. Occupied by Harriet Monk.

8514. EMILY LOUISA COLLENDER or MACEY.—39 perches, part Lot 7, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Mrs. Walsh as tenant.

8539. COLTHURST PALAIRET and CHARLES CHRISTIAN SOMMERS.—1 rood 25 perches, part of Lot 151, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by J. F. Hindley.

8540. PAUL DELAHUNT.—1 acre 34 perches, part of Rural Section 3, Christchurch Survey District. Part occupied by — Elliott and part unoccupied.

8541. ALEXANDER McDOUGALL.—5½ perches, part of Rural Section 321, Borough of Kaiapoi. Occupied by Applicant.

8542. DANIEL WEST.—1 rood, Section 239, Borough of Timaru. Occupied by Charles Nicholson Macintosh as tenant.

8543. HUGH MANSON.—3 roods 28 perches, part of Rural Section 447, Halswell Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 15th day of May, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

E. DENHAM,

Deputy District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 19th day of June, 1899.

2866. ROBERT HOLLIDAY.—1 rood 26½ perches, part Section 484, City of Wellington. Occupied by D. T. Orr, G. W. Dutton, C. E. Batkin, and the New Zealand Times Company (Limited).

2870. CHARLES STEWART, JAMES HUTCHEN, and CHRISTINA BALLINGALL.—16½ perches, part Section 129, City of Wellington. Occupied by the Colonial Carrying Company.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 17th day of May, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,

District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

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

1. That the liability of the company is limited.
2. That the capital of the company is £50,000, divided into 10,000 shares of £5 each.
3. That the number of shares issued is 10,000.
4. That calls to the amount of £1 per share have been made, from which the sum of £10,000 has been received.
5. That the amount of money received as executor of estates under administration for the six months to the 31st March, 1899, was £13,911 14s. 9d.
6. That the amount of money paid as executor of estates under administration for the six months to 31st March, 1899, was £13,993 2s. 10d.
7. That the amount of money held as executor of estates under administration was, at 31st March, 1899, £20 16s.
8. That the sum remaining in the company's hands at 31st March, 1899, to the credit of estates for which the company is trustee, which sum is represented by either cash or securities, or both, was £170,729 7s. 8d.
9. That the company's liabilities and assets were as follows:—

BALANCE-SHEET FOR YEAR TO 31ST MARCH, 1899.

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Capital—10,000 shares at £5 each	£50,000	0	0	
Less £4 per share uncalled	40,000	0	0	
		10,000	0	0
Reserve fund		3,000	0	0
Balances due by the company		6,768	11	5
Open accounts due		21	5	0
Balance of profit and loss		1,984	3	2
		<u>£21,773</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>7</u>
<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Deposits in bank, mortgages, and debentures		13,871	13	4
Balances due to the company		3,785	12	4
Office furniture and stationery		102	8	6
Interest and commission accrued		324	18	6
Cash in banks on current accounts		3,689	6	11
		<u>£21,773</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>7</u>
<i>Profit and Loss.</i>		£	s.	d.
<i>Dr.</i>				
Directors' fees, auditors' fees, rent, expenses, and salaries		1,309	5	0
Government license-fee, and land- and income-tax		103	9	6
Office-stationery, petty cash, and expenses		96	5	1
Law costs		9	14	6
Printing and advertising		74	9	6
Balance		1,984	3	2
		<u>£3,577</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>
<i>Cr.</i>				
Balance from last statement	£2,367	2	1	
Dividend—7 per cent. on £10,000, and bonus of 3 per cent.	£1,000	0	0	
Transfer to Reserve Fund	500	0	0	
Written off office-furniture	49	11	9	
Paid manager's percentage, and bonus to staff	184	3	10	
		<u>1,733</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7</u>
Transfer-fees		633	6	6
Agency and commission		2,394	6	0
Interest and discount		547	14	3
		<u>£3,577</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>

We have examined the books, vouchers, and accounts of the Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company of New Zealand (Limited)—which include the accounts of constituents—for the twelve months ending 31st March, 1899, and certify that in our opinion the above balance-sheet fully and fairly represents the position of the company's affairs at date of balance; and we have also seen the securities held by the company on behalf of its constituents, and on its own behalf, and found them in order.

WILLIAM BROWN and Co.,
A. BARTLEMAN, } Auditors.

Dunedin, 21st April, 1899.

We certify that the mortgages held by the company for its constituents, and on its own behalf, have been produced to and examined by ourselves, conjointly with a director and the auditors of the company, and that the mortgages secure the principal moneys and interests specified against them in the books of the company.

BATHGATE and WOODHOUSE,
Solicitors for the Company.

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

W. LAURENCE SIMPSON.

Declared this 13th day of May, 1899, before me—James Hazlett, a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand. 441

"THE RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUE ACT, 1896."

RESULT OF POLL.

I HEREBY notify that at the poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Petone upon the proposal to adopt "The Rating on Unimproved Value Act, 1896," taken upon the 3rd day of May, 1899, there were recorded:—

In favour of the proposal	.. .. 72 votes.
Against the proposal	.. .. 5 "
Informal	.. .. 1 vote.

The number of ratepayers on the roll was 455. As the number of ratepayers recording their votes did not equal one-third of the ratepayers on the roll, I hereby declare the proposal to have been rejected.

R. CLEMENT KIRK, Mayor,
Chairman, Petone Borough Council. 439

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between CHARLES FORD, MATILDA JANET HENRY, and JOHN THOMAS QUIN, under the style of "Henry's Executors and Quin," at Pahiatua and at Eltham, as Sawmillers, has been dissolved by mutual consent as from this date.

Dated at Hawera, this 25th day of October, 1898.

CHAS. FORD.
M. J. HENRY.
JOHN THOS. QUIN.

Witness to the signature of Charles Ford—Elliott Barton, Solicitor, Hawera.

Witness to the signature of Matilda Janet Henry—George T. Weston, Solicitor, Hawera.

Witness to the signature of John Thomas Quin—George T. Weston, Solicitor, Hawera. 443

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