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Proclaiming a Road as closed through Land in Section 10, Parish of Otau.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

(L.S.)

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder :—

Approximate Area of Road closed.	Being Portion of Road fronting	Block	Survey District.	Situated in the Parish of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 3 26	Sec. 10	VII.	Opaheke	Otau	11204c	Green.

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

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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Taking Land for a Road-deviation through Private Lands, Section 10, Parish of Otau.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

(L.S.)

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owner of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Hunua Road Board, 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 hereunder :—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Situated in the Parish of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 3 15	10	VII.	Opaheke	Otau	11204c	Red.

In the Auckland 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 Auckland, in the Auckland 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 eighteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

(L.S.)

ROBERT STOUT.

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.

KINOHAKU WEST LOAN BLOCK.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being a portion of the Kinohaku West Block, situate in the Marakopa, Kawhia South, Maungamangero, and Whareorino Survey Districts, and containing by admeasurement 80,000 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by the Marakopa River, by the Puketaruwhenua Block, Section I., by the Ratapoike Block, Section II., by the production of the southern boundary of the last-named block to its intersection with the south-western boundary of the Tawarau Block, Section I., and by said block; towards the east generally by the Mangarere Stream, by the Pakeho No. 2 Block, by the Ratapoike Block, Section I., and by the Mairua No. 4 Block; towards the south generally by the Puketiti No. 5 Block, by the Puketiti No. 1 Block, by the Kinohaku West C No. 2 Block, again by the Puketiti No. 1 Block, and by the Heruera Block; and towards the west generally by the Whareorino Block G, Section I.C, and G, Section I.A, by the Moetaso Block, Section II., by the Tasman Sea, by the Te Rua-o-te-whenua No. 2 Block, and by the Puketaruwhenua Block, Section II., to the Marakopa River: as the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 42370, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Declaring that the Protection of a Part of the Bank of the Opihi River, in the Geraldine County, shall be a Public Work.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

(L.S.)

ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and sixty-four of "The Public Works Act, 1894," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that, whenever it is found desirable, for the safety or proper maintenance of any public work constructed or authorised under the authority of Her Majesty or the Governor, or the Government of the colony, or by or under the provisions of any Act of the General Assembly, to protect, alter, or divert, either wholly or partially, any river, stream, or watercourse, the Governor, by Proclamation, may declare that the course of such river, stream, or watercourse shall be protected, altered, or diverted, and thereupon the said protection, alteration, or diversion shall be a public work within the meaning of the said Act:

And whereas a certain public work, to wit, the protection of a part of the bank of the Opihi River, between the limits defined in the Schedule below, is endangered by the said river encroaching thereon, and it is desirable to further protect the bank of such river by erecting, constructing, and maintaining such embankments and such other protective works as may be necessary for the safety and proper maintenance and strengthening of the said river-bank, and to prevent further encroachment of the Opihi River on to the public and private lands immediately adjoining:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the powers granted by the hereinbefore-in-part-recited Act, and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the work for protective purposes on the portion of the southern bank of the Opihi River, heretofore executed and hereafter to be done, shall be a public work, and such work shall for all purposes be taken and deemed to have been executed under the authority of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Being	Situated in Block	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 17 0 0	Part of Opihi River bed	II.	Arowhenua.	S.G.40517	Red.

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

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 twenty-third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Declaring that the Protection of a Part of the Bank of the Temuka River, in the Geraldine County, shall be a Public Work.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

(L.S.)

ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and sixty-four of "The Public Works Act, 1894," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that, whenever it is found desirable, for the safety or proper maintenance of any public work constructed or authorised under the authority of Her Majesty or the Governor, or the Government of the colony, or by or under the provisions of any Act of the General Assembly, to protect, alter, or divert, either wholly or partially, any river, stream, or watercourse, the Governor, by Proclamation, may declare that the course of such river, stream, or watercourse shall be protected, altered, or diverted, and thereupon the said protection, alteration, or diversion shall be a public work within the meaning of the said Act:

And whereas a certain public work, to wit, the protection of a part of the bank of the Temuka River, between the limits defined in the Schedule below, is endangered by the said river encroaching thereon, and it is desirable to further protect the bank of such river by erecting, constructing, and maintaining such embankments and such other protective works as may be necessary for the safety and proper maintenance and strengthening of the said river-bank, and to prevent further encroachment of the Temuka River on to the public and private lands immediately adjoining:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the powers granted by the hereinbefore-in-part-recited Act, and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the work for protective purposes on the portion of the bank of the Temuka River, heretofore executed and hereafter to be done, shall be a public work, and such work shall for all purposes be taken and deemed to have been executed under the authority of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Being	Situated in Block	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 1 29	Reserve 3180	II.	Arowhenua	S.G.40517	Red.

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

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 twenty-third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK BREBNER

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

W. C. WALKER.

Visiting Justices appointed.

Prisons Department,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

HENRY CAMERON GILLESPIE, Esq., J.P., and
JAMES RENSHAW, Esq., J.P.,

to be Visiting Justices of H.M. Police Gaol at Thames.

T. THOMPSON,
Minister of Justice.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Arai Road Board, County of Cook.

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

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

W. C. WALKER.

ARAI ROAD BOARD.

I HEREBY give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers in the Tokonui Special District, taken on Saturday, the 4th day of November, 1899, upon a proposal by the Arai Road Board to raise a loan of £1,200, in terms of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," for the construction of the Tokonui Road, the following votes were recorded:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 9, capable of exercising 17 votes: Number of ratepayers who voted for the proposal, 5, exercising 11 votes; number of ratepayers who voted against the proposal, nil.

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

C. J. PARKER,
Chairman, Arai Road Board.

Te Arai, 9th November, 1899.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Clutha County.

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

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

T. THOMPSON.

COUNTY OF CLUTHA.

THE following is the result of the poll taken on the 14th September, 1899, on the proposal to borrow £3,000, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," for the purpose of metalling roads within the Pomahaka Riding:—

Number of ratepayers on the roll, 109, representing 168

votes: Number of votes recorded for the proposal, 102, representing 66 ratepayers; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 14, representing 6 ratepayers.

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

JOHN CUMMING,
Chairman, Clutha County Council.
Clutha County Offices,
Balclutha, 22nd September, 1899.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM GRAY

to be the person to make up electors' rolls for the Ridings of West and East Mauriceville, in the County of Mauriceville, as constituted under "The Counties Act, 1886," and "The Mauriceville County Act, 1899"; also to be the Returning Officer to conduct the first elections of members of the Council of the said county; and also to be Clerk of the Mauriceville County Council for the purpose of presiding at the first meeting thereof.

W. C. WALKER.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1899.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Peter Hansen ..	Farmer ..	Cross's Creek.
John Nelson ..	Labourer ..	Gladstone.

W. C. WALKER.

Notice of the Laying-off of a Road through the Pukengahu Block, Ngaire Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, in August, 1899, duly taken and laid off through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrant dated the 17th June, 1898.

SCHEDULE.
WINGROVE ROAD.

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan	Marked on Plan
A. R. P. 13 0 30	Pukengahu	VII, VIII.	Ngaire	1177	Red	C-D.
14 3 0	"	VII.	"	1178	"	B-C.

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

Dated this 18th day of November, 1899.
WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of a Road through the Pukengahu Block, Ngaire Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was,

in August, 1899, duly taken and laid off through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrant dated the 17th June, 1898.

SCHEDULE.
WAIHAPA ROAD.

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan	Marked on Plan
A. R. P. 8 3 0	Pukengahu	VII.	Ngaire	1178	Red	G-H.
17 0 0	"	IV., VII., VIII.	"	1179	"	H-L.

As the said areas are delineated upon the plans marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at New Plymouth, in the Taranaki Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated. Dated this 18th day of November, 1899.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Pukengahu Block, Ngaire Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, in August, 1899, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 17th June, 1898.

SCHEDULE.
PUKENGAHU ROAD.

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan	Marked on Plan
A. R. P. 4 1 0	Pukengahu	VII.	Ngaire	1178	Red	E-F.

As the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at New Plymouth, in the Taranaki Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1899.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Pukengahu Block, Ngaire Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, in August, 1899, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 17th June, 1898.

SCHEDULE.
ROBSON ROAD.

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan	Marked on Plan
A. R. P. 10 2 0	Pukengahu	III., VII.	Ngaire	121	Red	A-B.

As the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at New Plymouth, in the Taranaki Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1899.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Tamarua, Rangihæreroa, Rawhitia, Rangituhia, and Rangiwaea No. 4 Blocks, Karioi and Moawhango Survey Districts.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, in November, 1898, duly taken and laid off through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 28th June, 1898.

SCHEDULE.
OHAKUNE-WAIORU ROAD.

Approximate Areas of Lands taken.	Being Portions of Native Blocks	Subdivision.	Blocks.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
<i>Karioi Survey District.</i>					
A. R. P. 25 2 27	Tamarua ..	No. 5	X., XI.	177 15-16	Brown.
15 3 20	Rangihæreroa	4	XI., XII.	177 16-17	"
14 0 34	Rawhitia ..	3	XII., XIII.	177 17	"
<i>Moawhango Survey District.</i>					
17 1 14	Rangituhia ..	2	IX.	177 14	Brown.
<i>Karioi Survey District.</i>					
30 0 0	Rangiwaea ..	4	VI., X.	177 14-15	Brown.

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

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1899.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Section 9, Block VIII., French Pass Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 16 of "The Land Act, 1892," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, on the 12th July, 1899, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrant dated the 27th June, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Block No.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 11 2 5	9	VIII.	French Pass	R. 218	Brown.

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

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1899.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

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

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 28th November, 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 Riverton, I, Thomas Thompson, Minister of Justice, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, hereby intimate that on and after the 2nd day of December, 1899, all the shops in the said Borough of Riverton shall be closed on the evening of Saturday in each week at the hour of 10 of the clock.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Labour.

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

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 28th November, 1899.

IN exercise of the power in this behalf conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act Amendment Act, 1896," and in accordance with a requisition signed by a three-fifths majority of the shopkeepers in the Borough of Riverton, I, Thomas Thompson, Minister of Justice, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, hereby intimate that the *Gazette* notice of the 15th February, 1896, relating to the closing of shops in the Borough of Riverton at 9 of the clock on the evening of Saturday in each week, is hereby revoked.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Labour.

Customs Holiday.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 28th November, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to order that all the Customhouses in the Colony shall be closed on Wednesday, the 6th day of December next, from mid-day.

T. THOMPSON,
For Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Notice to Mariners, No. 45 of 1899.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 21st November, 1899.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Board of Trade, London, are published for general information.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Marine.

NEW GUINEA.

STEPHENS ISLS.—These isls., charted in $0^{\circ} 22' S.$, $136^{\circ} 10' E.$, have been expunged from the Admiralty charts. March.

SOLOMON ISLANDS.

MALAITA.—MANOBA ISL.—A shoal, said to extend about 2 miles N.W. and S.E., carrying about 4 fms., and on which the sea was breaking, is reported to lie in approx. $8^{\circ} 13' S.$, $160^{\circ} 38' E.$, about 6 miles N.W. of Manoba Isl. at the N.W. extr. of Malaita. October.

PANDORA BANK.—In Oct., 1898, the ship "Kornmo" is reported to have obtained a sounding of 14 fms. in approx. $12^{\circ} 1' S.$, $172^{\circ} 9' E.$, near the position of Pandora Bank. This shoal cast may be on a part of the Pandora Bank, which may be much more extensive than originally supposed, or it may be a separate shoal. It has been marked on the Admiralty chart as 14 fms., 1899. July.

NEW CALEDONIA.

PORT MUÉO.—The following buoys have been placed in the port: (a.) A black can buoy moored in $3\frac{3}{4}$ fms., in approx. $21^{\circ} 23' S.$, $164^{\circ} 58\frac{1}{2}' E.$, with S. pt. of Didot Isl. N. $71^{\circ} E.$, $2\frac{3}{5}$ miles, and Observation Rk. N. $20^{\circ} W.$ (b.) A black can buoy moored in $4\frac{1}{2}$ fms., in approx. $21^{\circ} 23\frac{1}{2}' S.$, $164^{\circ} 57\frac{1}{2}' E.$, with S. pt. of Didot Isl. N. $57^{\circ} E.$, $3\frac{3}{5}$ miles, and Observation Rk. N. $3^{\circ} W.$ The beacon 2 miles S. of Observation Rk. has been removed. Note.—Mariners proceeding to New Caledonia should understand that, Nouméa being the only port for entry and clearance, as stated in Pacific Isls., Vol. i., Part ii., page 56, merchant ships must proceed there to obtain leave to visit any other port. There are no pilots elsewhere. April.

PORT NOUMÉA APPROACH.—The beacons marking the Prévoyante Shoal ($22^{\circ} 20\frac{1}{2}' S.$, $166^{\circ} 33' E.$) and Thisbé Shoal ($22^{\circ} 27' S.$, $166^{\circ} 28' E.$), in the approach to the port, have been perm. removed; a black buoy is moored in approx. $22^{\circ} 20' S.$, $166^{\circ} 38' E.$, on the srn. edge of Oliver Bank. July.

NOUMÉA.—On 15th April, 1899, a F. red lt., elev. 59 ft. above H.W., R. about 8 miles, is to be exh. from a pyra., 6 ft. high, to the srd. of Ducrot Summit, Dubouzet or Nu Isl., and has been charted in $22^{\circ} 16\frac{1}{2}' S.$, $166^{\circ} 26' E.$, near the water's edge, $1\frac{1}{2}$ cables S.S.E. from Ducrot Summit lt., in line with which it leads between Île Maître and Île aux Canards. April.

FIJI ISLANDS.

VANUA LEVU.—COCOANUT PT.—A reef, square in area and about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in extent, carrying depths of 3 ft. to 4 fms. L.W. springs, lies with its centre in approx. $17^{\circ} 1\frac{1}{2}' S.$, $178^{\circ} 42\frac{1}{2}' E.$, with Cocoanut Pt. N. $17^{\circ} W.$, $1\frac{1}{10}$ miles, and Vuya Pt. N. $56^{\circ} E.$ June.

FRIENDLY OR TONGA ISLANDS.

TONGATABU.—A shoal patch, about 10 yds. in extent, with 2 fms. least water, marked by a red can buoy on its wrn. edge, lies in approx. $21^{\circ} 2\frac{1}{4}' S.$, $175^{\circ} 15\frac{1}{4}' W.$, in Egeria Chan., Tongatabu Harbr. entr., with E. extr. (Δ 93) of Atata S. $\frac{3}{4}$ E., $5\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and Malinoa Δ E. by N. March.

FALCON ISL.—On the 9th December, 1898, H.M.S. "Penguin" approached to within 2 miles of the position ($20^{\circ} 19' S.$, $175^{\circ} 25' W.$), where this isl. formerly existed. Nothing was then vis. above water, but the sea was breaking heavily over the area the isl. originally occupied. A notation to this effect has been charted. May.*

NOMUKA GROUP.—The srn. and ern. sides of Nomuka Bank have been recently defined by H.M.S. "Penguin," and a line of dangers discovered extending in a sly. direction from Telekitonga Isl. for $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles to $20^{\circ} 35' S.$, $174^{\circ} 36' W.$ Erd. of these dangers the depths increase rapidly to over 100 fms. May.

A shoal is reported to exist between 30 and 40 miles S.-erd. of Uiha, Haapai group. As this locality was not exam. during the recent survey, a shoal, marked P.D., has been charted in $20^{\circ} 23' S.$, $174^{\circ} 3' W.$ June.

OUTLYING DANGERS.—The following reported dangers in the vicinity of the Tonga isls. have been searched for unsuccess., and expunged from the Admiralty charts:—(1.) *North Star Reef*, in $20^{\circ} 49' S.$, $174^{\circ} 40' W.$ (2.) *Sandbank*, in $19^{\circ} 52' S.$, $174^{\circ} 7' W.$ (3.) *Disney Reef*, charted as P.D. in $19^{\circ} 15' S.$, $173^{\circ} 40' W.$ (4.) *Bethune Patch*, in $19^{\circ} 34' S.$, $174^{\circ} 20' W.$ (5.) *Reef*, in $18^{\circ} 0' S.$, $174^{\circ} 28' W.$ Note.—The charts of the Tonga Isls. are undergoing large corrections, and will be issued in due course. May.

SAMOA ISLANDS.

UPOLO ISL.—FALEALILI HARB.—A detached coral patch about $\frac{1}{2}$ cable long, N.E. by E. and S.W. by W., with a least depth of 6 ft., lies in approx. $14^{\circ} 0\frac{1}{4}' S.$, $171^{\circ} 39\frac{1}{4}' W.$, at the entr. to the harb., about 80 yds. from the N.W. edge of the reef extending from Satalo, its N.-ern. edge lying with the N. point of Satalo S. $75^{\circ} E.$, 3 cables, and the church N. $5^{\circ} E.$ July.

PHENIX ISLANDS.

REEF.—The ship "Carondelet" is reported to have passed 2 miles dist. from a dangerous reef, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile N.E. by N. and S.W. by S. in extent, and upon which the sea occasionally broke heavily, in approx. $5^{\circ} 35' S.$, $173^{\circ} 58' W.$, about 60 miles srd. of the Phoenix Isls. It has been charted in this position, and marked E.D. May.

MARIANA ISLANDS.

GUAM ISL.—PORT SAN LUIS D'APRA.—A shoal patch, with a depth of $4\frac{1}{2}$ fms., lies in approx. $13^{\circ} 26\frac{3}{4}' N.$, $144^{\circ} 39' E.$, in the port, with the W. point of Apapa or Cabras Isl. N.E., $4\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and Santa Cruz Isl. fort S. $21^{\circ} E.$ At a dist. of about 30 yds. there are depths of 15 fms. on all sides of this shoal. June.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.

HAWAII.—HILO OR BYRON BAY.—A F. red lt. is exh. at the boat-wharf, Waiakea; and the colour of Paukaa lt. ($19^{\circ} 46\frac{1}{2}' N.$, $155^{\circ} 5\frac{1}{2}' W.$) has been altered from white to green. Sept.*

OAHU.—LEAHI (DIAMOND) HEAD.—On 1st July, 1899, a F. lt. showing white from S. $83^{\circ} W.$, through N., to N. $89^{\circ} E.$; red from N. $89^{\circ} E.$, through E., to S. $80^{\circ} E.$; and obsc. in other directions; elev. 145 ft. above H.W., R. 15 miles, was to be exh. from a white stone tower 40 ft. high, on the head, in $21^{\circ} 15\frac{1}{2}' N.$, $157^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{2}' W.$, in the approach to Honolulu. Sept.*

ADMIRALTY CHARTS that have received large corrections:—

- No. 3027. New chart, New Guinea, N., plans of anchorages, Tana Mera Bay; Wooi Bay, Jappen Isl., S.; Tipin Road, Salwatti Isl., N.; Mambare Bay (Duvira); Porlock Harb.; Miei Road; Berlin Harb.; Berlin Road and Harb. May.
- No. 524. New chart, New Britain, Blanche Bay. Sept.
- No. 3033. New chart, Pacific Ocean, New Hebrides and New Caledonia. May.
- No. 936b. New Caledonia, S.E. part, Port Muéo to Isle of Pines. May.
- No. 2069. New Caledonia, S., approaches to Port Nouméa. May.
- No. 480. New Caledonia, S., Port Nouméa. May.
- No. 2421. S. Pacific Ocean; Tonga or Friendly Isls. Aug.
- No. 2363. Pacific, Friendly Isls., Tongatabu. April.
- No. 474. S. Pacific, Tonga or Friendly Isls., Nomuka group. June.
- No. 3097. New chart, S. Pacific, Friendly Isls., anchorages, Vavau group, Neiafu anchorage and approaches; Haapai group, Ofolanga Isl. and anchorage. July.
- No. 1936. N. Pacific, isls. April.

No. 3045. New chart, Pacific Ocean, Enderbury Isl., Phoenix Isls., to Christmas Isl. April.
 No. 982. N. Pacific Ocean, Caroline Isls. Sept.
 No. 984. N. Pacific, Marshall Isls. anchorages. May.
 No. 3102. New chart, Pacific Ocean, Hawaii, Sandwich Isls., to the parallel of 6° 15' N. July.

ADMIRALTY PUBLICATIONS ISSUED:—

Admiralty list of Isls., Part vii., S. America, Wrn. coasts N. America, Pacific Isls., &c., 1899. May.

Volunteer Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
 Wellington, 28th November, 1899.

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

Heretaunga Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

William Henry Scott Kinsey to be Lieutenant.

No. 1 Company, Waikato Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

William Hamilton Hume to be Lieutenant.

Dunedin Naval Artillery Volunteers.

John Archibald Paul Frederic to be Lieutenant.
 Robert William Swindley to be Lieutenant.

Port Chalmers Naval Artillery Volunteers.

George Churchill to be Lieutenant.
 Arthur Bauchop to be Lieutenant.

Star Boating Club Submarine Mining Volunteers.

Walter Fell to be Lieutenant.

"D" Battery, N.Z. Regiment Artillery Volunteers.

Frederic John Courtney to be Lieutenant.

"E" Battery, N.Z. Regiment Artillery Volunteers.

Charles John Treleaven to be Lieutenant.
 Kindersley Camillo Montague Lewin to be Lieutenant.
 Thomas Maude to be Lieutenant.

Wellington Guards Volunteers.

Walter Holmes to be Lieutenant.

Christ's College Rifle Volunteers.

Claude Horace Weston to be Lieutenant.

Timaru Rifle Volunteers.

Joseph Taylor Wood to be Lieutenant.

Rangiora Rifle Volunteers.

Adam Ernest Smith to be Lieutenant.

No. 3 Company, Ohinemuri Rifle Volunteers.

Francis John Walmesley to be Captain.
 James Long Gilmour to be Lieutenant.
 Jake Wearne to be Lieutenant.

No. 2 Company, Victoria Rifle Volunteers.

Henry Shaw to be Lieutenant.

Dunedin City Rifle Volunteers.

Johnston McAra to be Lieutenant.

Wellington Volunteer Cycle Corps.

James Hector Mackay to be Lieutenant.

Dunedin Volunteer Cycle Corps.

James Watson McMillan to be Lieutenant.

College Rifle Volunteers (Wellington).

Alfred Barnes Rose to be Lieutenant.

Onehunga Rifle Volunteers.

John Ward to be Lieutenant.

Commissions of all the above officers to date from the 6th September, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Subsidies to Public Libraries.

Education Department,
 Wellington, 30th October, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sum of £3,000 has been voted by Parliament for distribution to public libraries.

The distribution will take place on the 8th February, 1900, and no claim will be entitled to consideration that shall not have been sent in in due form and received by the Secretary for Education, Wellington, on or before the 31st January, 1900.

A library to be entitled to a subsidy must be public in the sense of belonging to the public, and of not being under the

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

In the division of the vote, a nominal addition of £25 will be made to the amount of the income of each library derived from subscriptions, donations, and rates, and the vote will be divided according to the amounts thus augmented; but no library will receive credit for a larger income than £75—that is, in no case will the augmented amount on which distribution is based exceed £100.

The whole of the subsidy must be expended in the purchase of books for the library.

Application to share in the distribution must be by means of a statutory declaration by the Chairman, or Secretary, or Treasurer of the institution on behalf of which it is made, and must be accompanied by a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1899; and such declaration must be on the form provided for the purpose, which form shall be as follows:—

DECLARATION.

I, [Name], of [Place of abode], [Occupation], do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am Chairman [or Secretary, or Treasurer] of the [Name of institution]; that during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1899, the receipts of the aforesaid institution for the maintenance of the library only were as follows: From rates levied by a local governing body under "The Public Libraries Act, 1869," pounds shillings and pence; from the subscriptions of members, pounds shillings and pence; and from voluntary contributions other than members' subscriptions, pounds shillings and pence. And I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information hereinafter furnished by me in the appendix hereto is correct in every particular; that the abstract of accounts is a true statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1899; and that by the rules of the institution admission to the reading-room is open to the public free of charge.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of January, 1900, before me— _____, Justice of the Peace [or Solicitor, or Notary Public].

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

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

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

W. C. WALKER.

Bonus for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,

Wellington, 17th February, 1898.

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

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

2. No bonus will be payable until the whole of the one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced as stipulated to the satisfaction of an officer to be appointed by the Minister of Mines, and on whose certificate alone the bonus will be paid.

3. In the event of more than one person producing the required quantities of quicksilver before the dates named, inquiry will be made by the officer above referred to, when, if it is found that each applicant is equally entitled to a bonus, the amount will be divided in proportion to the

quantities produced by each applicant, but in no case shall any bonus be paid until at least one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced in the aggregate.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

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

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

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.

Public Offices closed at noon on 6th December, 1899.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 28th November, 1899.

THE Government offices throughout the colony will be closed at noon on Wednesday, 6th December, 1899.

By order,
HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Christmas and New Year Holidays.

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

IT is hereby notified for general information that Saturday, the 23rd, Monday, the 25th, and Tuesday, the 26th December, 1899, and Monday, the 1st, and Tuesday, the 2nd January, 1900, will be observed as holidays in the public offices of the Government of New Zealand.

By order,
HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Results of Road Board Elections.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th November, 1899.

THE following notices of the election of members of Road Boards have been received at this office, and are published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Tamaki West Road District, County of Eden:
James Churches.

Waiuku Road District, County of Manukau:
John Barriball.

Wakanui Road District, County of Ashburton:
No. 3 Ward—
James Wilson.

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

Mines Department,
Wellington, 2nd October, 1899.

AN examination of candidates for certificates as First- and Second-class Mine-managers and Battery-superintendents under "The Mining Act, 1898," and First- and Second-class Mine-managers under "The Coal-mines Act, 1891," will be held on Tuesday, the 30th January, 1900, and three following days, at places to be hereafter named. All applications, with necessary certificates, and fee of £1, must be addressed to "The Secretary of the Board of Examiners under the Mining Act or Coal-mines Act, Wellington," and must be received before the 30th December, or they will not be dealt with until the following examination. Forms of application may be obtained at Schools of Mines, Thames, Waihi, and Coromandel, also from Inspector of Mines, Westport and Dunedin.

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

Government Observatory.

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

Date.	Barometer reduced and corrected, in inches.	From Self-registering Instruments, for Twenty-four Hours previously.						Solar Radiation.	Terrestrial Radiation.	Rainfall, in inches.	Veloc. Wind, in Miles.	Amount of Cloud, 0 to 10.	Direction of Wind.
		Max. Temp. in Shade.	Min. Temp. in Shade.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Fah.	Fah.	Fah.						
1	29.821	Fah. 59.0	Fah. 46.0	Fah. 52.5	Fah. 111	Fah. 37			.010	235	4	N.W.	
2	29.565	63.0	47.0	55.0	116	37			..	280	3	N.W.	
3	29.289	64.0	49.0	56.5	117	45			.180	655	4	N.W.	
4	29.473	57.5	45.0	51.2	110	39			.100	280	3	N.W.	
5	29.710	60.0	40.0	50.0	112	36			.110	195	4	S.	
6	29.845	54.0	39.0	46.5	108	33			.110	115	7	S.	
7	29.879	54.0	49.0	51.5	117	40			.025	185	3	S.	
8	29.814	60.0	45.0	52.5	115	34			..	125	1	S.	
9	29.813	62.0	48.0	55.0	115	27			.120	170	7	S.E.	
10	29.822	57.0	43.0	50.0	107	37			.020	150	4	N.W.	
11	29.900	58.3	52.0	55.1	114	45			..	700	4	N.W.	
12	29.670	59.8	54.0	56.9	114	47			.320	450	6	N.W.	
13	29.924	59.0	46.0	52.5	104	37			.600	590	5	N.E.	
14	30.271	60.0	43.0	51.5	103	36			.005	200	3	S.E.	
15	30.200	61.5	51.0	56.2	117	43			..	350	4	N.W.	
16	30.017	59.0	53.0	56.0	114	46			..	560	5	N.W.	
17	29.869	57.5	53.5	55.5	92	47			.130	300	5	N.W.	
18	29.528	60.0	53.0	56.5	118	50			..	450	5	N.W.	
19	29.669	57.5	48.0	52.7	115	43			.010	610	3	N.W.	
20	29.810	59.0	51.0	55.0	120	45			..	370	2	N.W.	
21	29.799	61.0	52.0	56.5	119	47			..	430	4	N.W.	
22	30.000	62.0	48.0	55.5	120	39			..	210	4	S.	
23	30.016	65.0	42.0	53.5	125	34			..	120	3	S.	
24	29.988	65.0	47.0	56.0	122	41			..	120	4	Calm	
25	29.861	68.0	55.0	61.5	127	47			.010	220	5	N.W.	
26	29.812	63.0	50.0	56.5	123	50			.020	550	3	N.W.	
27	30.077	56.0	46.0	51.0	110	38			.420	260	4	S.	
28	30.135	63.0	41.0	52.0	118	35			..	180	2	N.E.	
29	30.200	64.0	44.0	54.0	126	34			..	200	3	S.	
30	29.924	68.0	47.0	57.5	123	37			..	110	6	S.	
31	29.732	60.0	48.0	54.0	99	43			.330	410	8	S.E.	
*	29.756	60.5	47.6	54.0	114.5	40.3			2.520	316	4.3	..	
†	29.845	..	..	53.6	..	..			4.370	..	..	..

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

NOTE.—Fine but variable; rain below average, and chiefly fell in night; winds prevailed from N.W., and frequently strong; maximum rainfall recorded on 13th, 0.60 in. Maximum temperature in shade 68°, minimum 39°; mean temperature of dew-point, 43°·7; mean humidity, 68.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

Crown Lands Notices.

Land in Wellington for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Wellington, 27th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land in the Wellington Land District will be offered for sale by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Wednesday, 31st January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon. If not sold on that date, it will remain open for sale thereafter at upset price.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HUTT COUNTY.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price.
Rimutaka ..	48, 56, and part 44	V.	A. R. P. 95 2 32	£ s. d. 47 17 0

Weighted with £18 10s. for improvements.

Description of Sections 56, 48, and part 44, Block V., Rimutaka District, 95 acres 2 roods 32 perches, Hutt County:—

The sections are situated on the western side of Whiteman's Valley Road.

The access is from Silverstream, which is about four miles distant, via the Whiteman's Valley Road, which is formed and metalled.

The sections comprise rough, barren, hilly country, with about 15 acres of flat land.

The soil is of very poor quality, resting on a sandstone-and-clay formation. There are about 5 acres of bush, comprising mostly birch; dead timber, through which the fire has run, is standing or lying on the remainder of the sections, fern having sprung up wherever the fire has been.

The sections are well watered by permanent springs. The elevation ranges from about 1,000 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level.

The allotment is weighted with £18 10s. for 37 chains of fencing.

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

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

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

Reserve in Auckland Land District for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Auckland, 27th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned reserve in the Auckland Land District is offered for lease by public tender at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, up to 4 p.m. on the 31st January, 1900, for the term of seven years.

TOWN OF HOKIANGA.

Lot 248c: Area, 6 perches; minimum upset rental, £2 per annum.

An old Customs shed is situated on the land.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Wellington open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Wellington, 21st November, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, the Survey Office, Wanganui, and the Courthouse, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, 27th December, 1899.

If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on Friday, the 29th December, 1899, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Courthouse, Palmerston North. Sections not applied for on the 29th December, 1899, may be selected after that date at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 5 acres, more or less, being Allotment 55, Section 4, Parish of Waipipi, in the Provincial District of Auckland. An unregistered Crown grant for this land is lying in the Deeds Registry Office at Auckland, in the name of John Murray, described as of Shortland, miner, who cannot be traced. This land adjoins some owned by Mr. William Furniss, of Waipipi.

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 23rd day of November, 1899.

J. J. M. HAMILTON,
Deputy Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—KAIRANGA SURVEY DISTRICT.—
OROUA COUNTY.—TE MATUA SETTLEMENT.
First-class Agricultural Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
31	I.	87 1 17	14 6	31 13 4
32	"	64 1 8	14 6	23 6 1
33	"	44 1 27	12 6	13 17 7
34	"		15 6	9 6 4
35	"		16 0	25 5 11
36	"		17 6	49 12 0
37	"	122 3 34	14 6	13 2 1*
40	"		17 6	17 6 4
38	"	40 2 39	17 6	10 16 9
39	"	24 3 4	14 0	33 2 5
40	II.	94 2 20	14 0	28 6 5
41	"	80 3 27	15 6	4 13 3
42	"	12 0 5	15 6	4 19 9
43	"	12 3 19	15 3	11 7 6
44	"	29 3 13		

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings, valued at £336, repayable in twenty-one years, in half-yearly instalments of £13 2s. 1d.; total half-yearly, £62 14s. 1d.

NOTE.—Each section is an allotment excepting Sections Nos. 33 and 34, Block I., which form one allotment, and Sections Nos. 37 and 40, which are grouped and form one allotment.

For description of sections and conditions of lease see pamphlet, which may be obtained on application personally or by post from any Land Office in the colony.

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

Town and Rural Lands at Hanmer Springs for Lease on Application.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned town and rural sections at Hanmer Springs will be opened for lease on application, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 31st January, 1900.

In the event of more than one application being received on the same day for the same section, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 o'clock a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Annual Rental.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
HANMER SPRINGS TOWNSHIP.			
12	I.	1 0 0	2 0 0
HANMER SPRINGS VILLAGE.			
13	..	18 3 25	2 0 0

This section consists partly of good flax and manuka swamp, and partly of poor shingly soil covered with tussock.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. Applications must be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Christchurch, and must be accompanied by a deposit of a half-year's rent, together with £1 ls. lease-fee.
2. Possession will be given immediately on approval by the Land Board of the application.

3. The leases will be for terms of forty-two years.
4. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance, free of all deductions whatsoever; and if not paid within twenty-one days after due date the lessor may re-enter upon the land and determine the lease.

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

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

7. The lessee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, sweetbriar, and other noxious weeds or plants on the land comprised in the 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.

8. The lessee shall not carry on, or permit to be carried on, upon the land or any part thereof, any noisy, noxious, or offensive trade or manufacture, or do or suffer to be done thereon any act or thing whatsoever which may be an annoyance to the lessor or to any other lessee in the neighbourhood.

9. In the event of the lessee, upon the expiry of the term, not again becoming the occupier of the land under a fresh lease, he shall be entitled to payment of valuation for all improvements which he shall have effected upon the land, so far as the same are existing and unexhausted.

10. The lessee of any town section shall, within two years from the date of his lease, erect upon the land buildings to the value of at least £50.

11. No person shall be eligible to apply for or to hold more than one allotment in the township and one allotment in the village.

Sale plans and forms of application may be obtained at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.
SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Wellington open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 21st November, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, the Survey Office, Wanganui, and the Courthouse, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, the 27th December, 1899.

If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on Friday, the 29th December, 1899, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Courthouse, Palmerston North. Sections not applied for on the 29th December, 1899, may be selected after that date at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—RANGITOTO SURVEY DISTRICT.—
—MANAWATU COUNTY.—OHAKEA SETTLEMENT.

First-class Agricultural Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
48	XV.	9 1 0	15 9	3 12 10
49	"	98 3 0	14 6	35 15 11
50	"	256 3 0	14 6	87 3 4
59			13 0	*21 12 2
52	"	75 0 0	13 9	25 15 7
53	"	108 0 0	13 9	37 2 6
55	"	66 0 0	14 6	23 18 6
56	"	103 0 0	13 0	33 9 6
57	"	82 0 0	13 6	{ 27 13 6 11 4 3
58	"	93 0 0	12 9	29 12 10
60	"	108 0 0	12 6	33 15 0
61	"	145 2 0	13 0	47 5 9
62	"	165 2 0	11 6	{ 48 12 4 13 2 5
63	"	167 0 0	11 6	48 0 3
65	"	128 0 0	12 3	39 4 0
66	"	126 1 0	12 6	{ 39 9 1 \$1 11 3

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £554, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £21 12s. 2d.; total half-yearly, £108 15s. 6d.

† Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £31, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £1 4s. 3d.; total half-yearly, £28 17s. 9d.

‡ Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £80, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £3 2s. 5d.; total half-yearly, £51 14s. 9d.

§ Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £40, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £1 11s. 3d.; total half-yearly, £41 0s. 4d.

For description of sections and conditions of lease see pamphlet, which may be obtained on application personally or by post from any Land Office in the colony.

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

Small Grazing-run, Waimana Parish, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 24th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for leasing on application at this office on Wednesday, 31st January, 1900, at the rental noted below. In case of more than one application being received on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WHAOKATANE COUNTY.—PARISH OF WAIMANA.

Run No. 3 (part of University College endowment): 1,827 acres; half-yearly rent, £11 8s. 6d.; term of lease, twenty-one years.

About two-thirds heavy forest land, consisting of tawa, &c., balance fern and tupaki. Situated near Whakatane Township.

Conditions of lease in terms of Part IV. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Full particulars, plans, and forms may be obtained on application at this office.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Palmerston North for Sale by Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 24th November, 1899.

THE under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash, in terms of section 11, subsection (1), of "The Reserves Disposal and Enabling Act, 1895," at the Theatre Royal, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, the 24th January, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m.:

1. Section 822, Palmerston North: Area, 1 acre 1 rood; upset price, £150.

2. Section 1086, Palmerston North: Area, 1 acre 2 roods 6 perches; upset price, £75.

Terms of Sale.

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

Mr. H. Martin, of Palmerston North, holds a lease from the Palmerston North Domain Board of Section 1086, Palmerston North, for twenty-one years from the 18th August, 1890, the annual rent being £4 4s. for the first seven years of the said term, £5 5s. for the next seven years, and £6 6s. for the remaining seven years; subject to the provision that all the buildings, fencing, and other erections made, placed, or erected upon it by the lessee during said term shall remain his property, and may be removed by him upon giving the lessor one previous calendar month's notice in writing of his intention to do so. This section is therefore offered subject to his lease, a copy of which is open for inspection by intending purchasers.

There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on purchasers of these sections other than above mentioned.

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

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 30th October, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that a lease of the under-mentioned pastoral run will be submitted to public auction, at this office, on Thursday, the 28th day of December, 1899, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.

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

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.			Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
		A.	R.	P.		
529	Waikaia	4,000	0	0	£ s. d. 16 13 4	12 years.

Situated about two miles from Waikaia. Tussock land, with patches of bush and scrub; good, healthy sheep-country.

Possession will be given on the day of sale. The purchaser must deposit the statutory declaration required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Public Reserve in the Auckland Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 30th October, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the lease for a term of fourteen years of the under-mentioned harbour endowment at North Head, Manukau, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 29th day of December, 1899, at 11 o'clock a.m.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Waitemata County.

Manukau Harbour Endowment, North Head: Containing 1,115 acres; upset annual rental, £15, payable half-yearly in advance.

Conditions of Sale.

The right is reserved to resume any portion required for public purposes on giving three months' notice, and making proportionate reduction in rent.

The lessee to erect and maintain the boundary-fence between his land and the 93 acres reserve for harbour-light purposes. No timber or other natural bush to be cut or removed without special permission of Harbourmaster.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 30th October, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands will be offered by auction at the Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Thursday, the 28th day of December, at 11 o'clock a.m.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—GORE SURVEY DISTRICT.

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

Run No. 105: 200 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rent, £5.

Run No. 144: 600 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rent, £5.

Subject to right to resume any portion for public purposes. One half-year's rent and £1 1s. license-fee in each case must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the necessary declaration furnished.

Description of Land.

Run No. 105: Broken country; western half in grass, eastern portion covered with scrub.

Run No. 144: Very broken country; covered with scrub and light bush, mostly cedar.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sale of Timber, Auckland Land District.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 27th August, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned kahikatea (white-pine) and kauri timbers, situated on the Tokatoka Marsh lands, Tokatoka Survey District, Otamatea County, will be offered for sale by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on Friday, the 12th January, 1900, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

52,116 kahikatea-trees, containing about 97,509,000 superficial feet.

122 kauri-trees, containing about 312,900 superficial feet. Total number of trees, 52,238, containing a total of about 97,821,900 superficial feet.

Upset price for the whole of the timber, £24,533 14s.; equal to 6d. per hundred superficial feet for the kahikatea or white-pine, and 1s. per hundred superficial feet for the kauri timber.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF LOCALITY OF TIMBER.

The kahikatea (white-pine) and kauri timbers are situated on the Tokatoka Marsh lands, a considerable part of which have been made available for cultivation by a system of drainage during the last few years.

The timber lands comprise Sections 22 to 29, 34; 41 to 44, 49 to 54, Block XI., and Sections 1 to 6, Block XII.—total area, 4,090 acres 1 rood 33 perches.

LAND FOR SAWMILLS, AND SHED AND SITE FOR WHARF.

Land near Wairoa River or on Bascombe's Creek, on which to erect sawmills and sheds, or land for stacking timber, can be obtained under the Land Act by application to the Land Board, and a site for a wharf for shipment of timber may be secured on application to the Marine Department.

FACILITIES FOR SHIPPING THE TIMBER.

The iron tram-line traverses throughout perfectly level ground; and is completed between the points marked A and B on the map (in the pamphlet), a length of one mile and a half, and ready for extension towards point marked C. (south-

west corner of Section 3, Block XII.), as may from time to time be found expedient to meet the purchaser's requirements; and, if so desired, the line will also be extended westerly for an additional 10 to 12 chains, to near the mouth of Bascombe's Creek, to further facilitate the shipment of the timber.

The Kaipara Harbour is one of the best on the west coast of the North Island, and the shipping of timber from it to other ports of New Zealand, to the Australian Colonies, and even to India, has been very brisk during the past ten years, and not unfrequently ten sea-going sailing-vessels and steamers have at the same time been lying in the Kaipara waters awaiting loading, &c. According to the "New Zealand Pilot," the depth of water at the Kaipara entrance ranges from 30 ft. to 33 ft. at low water, a depth quite sufficient for vessels up to 5,000 tons burden. The rise and fall of the tide at the Kaipara entrance averages about 9 ft.

There is a great depth of water from the Kaipara Heads to Dargaville, a distance of thirty-six miles, and some of the largest timber-carriers which visited the Kaipara took in their loading at Mangaware, an old settlement close to Dargaville.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

The purchaser of the kauri and kahikatea (white-pine) timber herein referred to to have the right to convey such timber, and any machinery, material, tools, implements, &c., required for the proper working of the timber, over the Government iron tram-line to its terminus near the mouth of Bascombe's Creek, Northern Wairoa River, free of charge during the period allowed him for the removal of the timber. Government will construct and maintain the tram-line, but the purchaser to provide his own rolling-stock.

One-twentieth of the purchase-money (£1,226 13s. 8d.) to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, one-twentieth in one year, one-twentieth in two years, and so on annually until the whole of the purchase-money has been paid.

Time allowed for removal of timber: Twenty-one years from the date of purchase.

Wherever sidings are required, Government to provide points, rails, &c., for the first chain of siding from the main line. The construction of any extension beyond the first chain to devolve upon the purchaser.

The iron tram-line to be and remain under the control of the Government, but to the purchaser of the timber the priority of right of using it will, if practicable, be always conceded.

Regulations for the most economical and satisfactory working of the tram-line to be mutually agreed upon between the Commissioner of Crown Lands and the purchaser, and to be amended from time to time as the distance for haulage increases and altered circumstances require it.

Purchaser to cut and remove annually at least 4,000,000 superficial feet of the timber purchased, and if the output exceeds 5,000,000 ft. per annum the surplus quantity to be paid for at the rate of 6d. per 100 superficial feet. Such payments to be in reduction of the last annual payment of the purchase-money.

The timber to be cut in a continuous and regular manner, and each section, as soon as cleared of pine (kahikatea) and kauri, must be handed back to Government for disposal for settlement purposes.

In case of a fire in the bush destroying any standing timber during the term of the agreement, an estimate of the damage done shall be made on the written request of the purchaser preferred within a month of the fire, and the value of the timber destroyed shall be calculated on the basis of 6d. per 100 superficial feet, and the loss thus sustained, together with the expense of ascertaining such loss, shall be borne in equal shares between the purchaser and the Government.

Pamphlet containing description of locality of timber, conditions of sale, and maps may be had on application to any Land Office in New Zealand.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Auckland open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 23rd November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned lands in the Auckland Land District will be open for selection, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on and after the 22nd day of January, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

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.
Rodney ..	Hotoe Parish	87, 88	..	A. R. P. 380 0 0	£ s. d. 7 6	£ s. d. 142 10 0	s. d. 0 4 5	£ s. d. 3 11 3	s. d. 0 3 6	£ s. d. 2 17 0
Subject to £50 for improvements. Comprises broken forest land, well watered. Seven miles from Warkworth.										
Raglan ..	Whangape Parish	{ 112, 117, & 135 }	..	677 0 0	8 0	270 16 0	0 4 8	6 15 6	0 3 8 4	5 8 6
Subject to £125 for improvements. Generally open land of good quality. Thirteen miles from Huntly.										

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Southland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 7th November, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Thursday, the 25th January, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Southland..	Otama ..	19A	II.	A. R. P. 22 0 24	£ s. d. 1 0 0	£ s. d. 22 3 0	s. d. 1 0	£ s. d. 0 11 1	s. d. 0 9 6	£ s. d. 0 8 10

Land light, and somewhat gravelly; broken with old lignite workings. Position good, at junction of two roads. Accessible by good road, about thirteen miles from Gore. Weighted with £54, valuation for improvements, consisting of house, fencing, &c.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands in Waiau Township, Canterbury Land District, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 28th September, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, up to 12 noon on Wednesday, the 27th December, 1899, for the leases of the under-mentioned Crown lands, subject to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and "The Land Act, 1892."

In the event of no tender being received at the time named for any of the lots, they will remain open for lease on application at the upset rentals and for the terms stated herein.

SCHEDULE.
WAIAU TOWNSHIP.

Sections Nos.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
1 to 6, Town Block I.	XIII.	Waiau	A. R. P. 1 2 0	£ s. d. 0 7 6	7
1 to 6, Town Block II.	"	"	1 2 0	0 7 6	7
1 to 7, Town Block III.	"	"	1 3 8	0 9 0	7
Town Blk. XX.	"	"	4 1 24	1 2 0	7
5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 15 to 20, Town Block XVII.	"	"	3 0 0	0 15 0	5

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

- Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque or money-order for the amount of twelve months' rent, together with £1 ls. lease-fee in each case.
- Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.
- The leases will be for the terms stated in the Schedule, dating in each case from 1st January, 1900.
- The Commissioner of Crown Lands may at any time resume possession of the land comprised in the lease, or any portion thereof, by giving to the lessee three months' notice in writing of his intention so to do in the case of the sections in Block XVII., Waiau Township, or twelve months' notice in the case of the other blocks.
- The lessee shall have no right to compensation either for any improvements that may be placed upon the land, nor on account of the aforesaid resumption, nor for any other cause.
- The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the whole or any portion of the land comprised in the lease except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
- The land shall be used for grazing purposes only, and shall not be broken up or cropped without the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
- The lessee shall destroy all rabbits on the land, and shall prevent their increase or spread to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.
- 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, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.
- The rent shall be payable in advance, free of all deductions whatsoever.
- 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.
- In respect of Waiau Town Block XX., the right is reserved in favour of the local body to enter upon the land at any time for the purpose of constructing any protective works that may be necessary to prevent encroachment by the river in the vicinity of the said block.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land for Lease by Public Tender, Hawke's Bay Land District.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 30th October, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned section will be open for lease by public tender up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, the 28th December, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—WOODVILLE SURVEY DISTRICT.

Block.	Section.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
XIV.	18	A. R. P. 73 2 0	£ s. d. 14 16 0

Description of Section.

The section, known as the "Ferry Reserve," is situated within five miles of Woodville, on the main road from that place to Palmerston North, at the entrance to the Manawatu Gorge. The section is of limestone formation, undulating, and well watered. Good soil, carrying mixed light bush and scrub, with patches of native grass.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

The lease shall be for the term of seven years, commencing from the 1st day of January or July following the date of auction.

The lessee is to open up a limestone quarry upon the section within six months from the granting of the lease, and shall sell lime upon the following scale:—

For agricultural purposes—

Unslacked lime, at not more than £1 per ton, delivered free on board to farmers' carts or into railway-trucks.

Crushed lime, at not more than £1 3s. per ton, delivered free on board to farmers' carts or into railway-trucks.

For building purposes—

Unslacked lime, at not more than 2s. 6d. per bag, delivered free on board into railway-trucks.

The lessee also to undertake, if there be demand, to produce an output of not less than 50 tons per month.

Tenders must be accompanied with one year's rent, and also £1 ls. for the preparation of lease.

If the land be again let at the termination of the present lease, the improvements existing thereon which have been effected by the lessee will be valued, and the lease offered weighted with such valuation.

Full particulars may be ascertained at this office.

E. C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 30th October, 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 Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—TUTURAU SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section	Block.	Area.	Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
109	VII.	A. R. P. 78 2 0	s. d. 0 6	s. d. 19 8	s. d. 0 4 8	s. d. 15 9

Cash price: Per acre, 10s.; total price, £39 5s.

Situated about thirteen miles from Wyndham Township. Land good black soil, mostly covered with light scrub.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 17th October, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 13th day of December, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.			Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.			Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.		
					Per Acre.	Total Price.		Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.		
Hokianga..	Herekino ..	8	II.	48 1 0	10 0	24 0 0	0 6	0 12 0	0 4 8	0 9 8	Situating at Herekino Settlement, and comprises mixed-forest and open land, with some swamp. Access by formed road.		
Hokianga..	Herekino ..	16	II.	76 0 16	10 0	38 0 0	0 6	0 19 0	0 4 8	0 15 3	Situating at Herekino, and adjoining the harbour. Generally open land.		
"	Whangape..	60	VII.										
Hokianga	Whangape..	52	VII.	50 0 0	7 6	18 15 0	0 4 5	0 9 6	0 3 6	0 7 6	Generally mixed-forest land of fair quality, at Herekino Settlement.		
Mangonui	Takahue ..	30	XV.	50 0 0	7 6	18 15 0	0 4 5	0 9 6	0 3 6	0 7 6	Situating at Takahue Settlement, six miles from Victoria Valley. About one-half mixed forest; land of fair quality, and well watered. About 8 acres on Section 32 have been grassed.		
"	"	32	"	50 0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0			
Whangarei	Mangakahia	18	XI.	204 0 0	10 0	102 0 0	0 6	2 11 0	0 4 8	2 0 10	All open land and well watered. About twenty-one miles by road from Whangarei.		
Whangarei	Ruarangi*..	91 and 92	..	226 0 0	7 6	84 15 0	0 4 5	2 2 6	0 3 6	1 14 0	About 12 acres forest, balance open and undulating land. Situated about four miles from Mangapai by road.		
Whangarei	Hukerenui	13	XIII.	508 0 0	10 0	254 0 0	0 6	6 7 0	0 4 8	5 1 8	Good clay soil, of sandy formation and well watered; generally heavy mixed forest, with some small totara and scattered kauri-trees. Situated ten miles from Hikurangi Railway-station.		
Rodney ..	Komokoriki*	80	..	104 0 0	8 0	41 12 0	0 4 8	1 0 10	0 3 84	0 16 8	Broken land, covered with mixed forest; clay soil, and well watered. Situated three miles from Post-office, Komokoriki, and five miles from Kaipara Flats.		
Manukau..	Otan*	62	..	315 0 0	10 0	157 10 0	0 6	3 18 9	0 4 8	3 3 0	Undulating forest country, well watered; soil of fair quality, consisting of clay on sandstone subsoil; the bush contains totara, rimu, rata. Situated eighteen miles from Papakura Railway-station.		
Whakatane	Waimana*	314	..	288 0 0	7 6	108 0 0	0 4 5	2 14 0	0 3 6	2 3 3	Open and forest land of fair quality. Four miles from Ohiva.		
Raglan ..	Onewhero..	2	IX.	372 0 0	11 0	204 12 0	0 6 6	5 2 4	0 5 28	4 1 10	Broken forest land; volcanic and clay soil; well watered. Situated ten miles from Onewhero Post-office, and four miles from Port Waikato.		

* Parish.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notice.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 14th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Helensville, Kaipara, on the 5th day of December, 1899, to hear and determine the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which application has been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it. [Auckland, 99-69.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Sale (C.A. 96-94)	7th April, 1896	Paparua	Tamati Takerei, Hami Tawaewae, Riria Kereta, Karauria Houtahi, Rapana Takerei, Harata Takere, Parani Karaipu, Te Rakapa, Kiingi Ruarangi, Te Reweti Whakahau, Teira Pateoro, Puna Reweti, Kirihini-pina Pateoro, and Ropiha Terewai, to Roger Edward Fenton and Carleton Hugh Fenton, both of Crosland, Kaipara.

Officers appointed.

Post and Telegraph Department.

General Post Office, Wellington, 23rd November, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Post and Telegraph Department.

W. C. WALKER,

For Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

PERMANENT.

Name.	Position.	Office.	Date.
Breeze, John Jerome	Assistant Messenger	Christchurch C.P.O.	17 May, 1899.
Bunny, Eugenie Catherine Louise	Cadette, Telephone Exchange	Nelson	1 Aug., 1898.
Graham, Charles	Cadet	"	22 May, 1899.
Hogg, William Alexander	"	"	1 June, "
Leslie, Alfred Robert	Junior Exchange Clerk	Oamaru	1 " "
Marshall, Arthur	Assistant and Letter-carrier	Belfast	1 Oct., "
Philp, George Lyttelton	Cadet	Greymouth	1 June, "
Tasker, Charles Borland	Letter-carrier	Wellington	12 " "

NON-PERMANENT.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
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POSTMASTERS AND TELEGRAPHISTS.

Railway Officers.

Brebner, Adam Glendining (telephonist only) ..	Thorndon Railway	Wellington	19 Sept., 1899.
Denby, Frank	Belgrove	Nelson	4 July, "
Footo, Francis	Sawyer's Bay	Dunedin	25 Sept., "
Hall, Charles Francis (telegraphist only) ..	Masterton Railway	Wellington	22 " "
Marshall, William Hamilton	Waitati	Dunedin	21 " "
McLeod, William	Duntroon	Oamaru	23 " "

Postmasters.

Anderson, Violet	Whangamarino	Auckland	1 Oct., 1899.
Batten, Elizabeth	Kent Road	New Plymouth	14 " "
Bell, Robert	Lake Pukaki	Timaru	23 Aug., "
Biernacki, Colin Campbell	Huakama	New Plymouth	1 Oct., "
Bone, David	Tikitiki	Gisborne	14 " "
Boyd, Selina Harrison	Broomfield	Christchurch	1 " "
Bradley, Orton Guthrie	Hilton	Timaru	1 Sept., "
Bray, William John	Huroa	New Plymouth	16 Oct., "
Broadbridge, George Howard	Top Valley	Blenheim	2 " "
Broome, Annabella	Incholme	Oamaru	18 July, "
Brown, Francis William	Whangaripo	Auckland	15 Oct., "
Bunting, William Thomas*	Halfway Bush	Dunedin	14 Aug., "
Chamberlain, Augustus Frederick	Marsetai	Auckland	1 Oct., "
Clark, Peter Gibson	Puniho Stream	Wanganui	1 Sept., "
Clifton, George	Riverhead	Auckland	1 Oct., "
Cunneen, Elizabeth Mary	Broadfield	Christchurch	1 " "
Fairhall, Sarah	Newton Flat	Westport	23 Feb., "
Grimshaw, James Sewell	Ngunguru	Auckland	15 Sept., "
Healy, Harriett	Harewood Road	Christchurch	1 Oct., "
Hiddlestone, John Frederick Crombie	West Plains	Invercargill	2 " "
Houghton, Allan Patrick	St. Omer	Blenheim	1 " "
Hunt, Stephen	Horoeka	Napier	19 Sept., "
Johnston, Thomas Forbes	Kahuika	Dunedin	29 July, "
Lloyd, Charles	Upper Blackwater	Greymouth	16 Aug., "
McLaren, Eliza	Maungatua	Dunedin	1 Oct., "
Miller, Jane	Ahiaruhe	Wellington	21 Aug., "
Oliver, Samuel	Sentry Hill	New Plymouth	1 Oct., "
Sykes, William Henry	Rongomai	Wellington	26 Sept., "
Sloane, Francis Henry	Ruakaka	Auckland	1 Oct., "
Taut, Amelia	Table Flat	Wellington	1 " "
Templeton, John*	Waimahaka	Invercargill	2 " "
Whyte, Agnes	Ahiaruhe	Wellington	6 Sept., "

POSTMASTERS AND TELEPHONISTS.

Barleyman, Edward Charles	Kaipokonui	Wanganui	25 Sept., 1899.
Hamilton, Frederick	Halswell	Christchurch	1 Oct., "
Hodgen, Arnold	Tophouse	Nelson	18 July, "
Joyce, Catherine Graham	Kamo	Auckland	30 " "
Lichtenstein, Max	Opitonui	"	1 Oct., "
Marshall, Henry	Towai	"	11 Sept., "
Mills, Edward	Ngaire	Wanganui	1 Oct., "
O'Malley, Helena Mary	Otira Gorge	Greymouth	1 " "
Scott, Walter	Burke's Pass	Timaru	16 July, "
Scully, Hannah	Ohingaiti	Wanganui	1 Sept., "
Shanks, Charles Stewart	Waikaka Valley	Invercargill	9 " "
Winter, Elizabeth Ada	Pakawau	Nelson	12 Aug., "
Young, Mary	Glenore	Dunedin	1 Sept., "

TELEPHONISTS.

Lambert, David*	Seddon	Blenheim	8 Aug., 1899.
Riggall, Edward Sutton*	Fitzroy	New Plymouth	1 Sept., "
Templeton, John	Waimahaka	Invercargill	26 " "

* Now Postmaster and Telephonist.

Offices opened and closed.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 23rd November, 1899.

THE following particulars of offices opened and closed are published for general information.

W. C. WALKER,

For Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

OFFICES.

Name.	District.	Date.
POST-OFFICES OPENED.		
Halfway Bush (reopened)	Dunedin	14 August, 1899.
Horoeka	Napier	19 September, "
Kahuika	Dunedin	29 July, "
Kaupokonui	Wanganui	25 September, "
Kent Road	New Plymouth	14 October, "
Newton Flat	Westport	23 February, "
Ruakaka (reopened)	Auckland	1 October, "
St. Omer (reopened)	Blenheim	1 " " "
Sentry Hill	New Plymouth	1 " " "
Table Flat	Wellington	1 " " "
Tikitiki	Gisborne	14 " " "
Top Valley	Blenheim	2 " " "
Upper Blackwater.. .. .	Greymouth	16 August, "
Waimahaka	Invercargill	2 October, "
Whangamarino	Auckland	1 " " "
Whangaripo	"	15 " " "
POST-OFFICES CLOSED.		
Mokihinui	Westport	31 August, 1899.
White's Point	"	23 February, "
TELEPHONE-OFFICES OPENED.		
Burnett's Face*	Westport	24 October, 1899.
Millerton*	"	7 " " "
TELEPHONE BUREAUX OPENED.		
Cardiff	New Plymouth	18 October, 1899.
Inglewood	"	24 " " "
Midhurst	"	18 " " "
Ngairi	Wanganui	18 " " "
Stratford	New Plymouth	18 " " "
Strathmore	"	18 " " "
Tariki Road	"	18 " " "
Toko	"	18 " " "
Waimahaka	Invercargill	4 " " "
TELEPHONE EXCHANGES OPENED.		
Hawera	Wanganui	8 August, 1899.
Stratford	New Plymouth	18 October, "

* Now post- and telephone-office, combined.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of OCTOBER, 1899, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	67	23	3	4	97	37	22	8	7	74
Queensland .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Victoria	126	96	12	11	245	84	52	7	6	149
New South Wales	588	312	58	51	1,009	384	176	42	29	631
Western Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania	39	16	3	2	60	26	7	..	1	34
Fiji	1	5	..	2	8	5	2	..	..	7
Other British possessions .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	213	1	..	..	214*
Pacific Islands	13	6	..	..	19†	7	3	1	..	11‡
Other foreign ports	15	7	..	..	22§	29	10	2	1	42||
Totals, October, 1899	849	465	76	70	1,460	785	273	60	44	1,162
Totals, October, 1898	1,135	523	87	84	1,829	561	294	51	49	955

* For Algoa Bay, South Africa, 213; Cape Town, 1. † From Friendly Islands, 12; Cook Islands, 7. ‡ For Friendly Islands, 8; Cook Islands, 3. § From United States of America—West Coast, 21; East Coast, 1. || For United States of America, West Coast.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	3	3
Auckland	523	70	367	226	593	441	56	340	157	497
Wellington	514	48	378	184	562	418	27	366	79	445
Lyttelton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1
Timaru .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1
Invercargill	277	26	180	125	305	195	20	188	77	215
Totals, October, 1899 ..	1,314	146	925	595	1,460	1,058	104	845	317	1,162
Totals, October, 1898 ..	1,658	171	1,222	607	1,829	855	100	612	343	955

CHINESE.—Departures—from Wellington, 7.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 24th November, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN GOODYEAR, of Orakei Road, Remuera, Carpenter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 29th day of November, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 23rd November, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that statements of accounts and balance-sheets in respect of the under-mentioned estates, together with the report of the Audit Office thereon, have been duly filed in the above Court; and I hereby give notice that at the sitting of the said Court to be holden on Wednesday, the 13th day of December, 1899, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1899.

G. E. Manning, Labourer, Kopuaranga.
M. P. Quirke, Hairdresser, Pahiatua.
Alfred Lewin, Hairdresser, Pahiatua.
George Stokes, Settler, Pahiatua.
Alei Abraham, Sugar-boiler, Masterton.
George Richards, Stock-dealer, Masterton.
Charles Arbon, Auctioneer, Masterton.
J. G. Elliot, Auctioneer, Masterton.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM JAMES ADAMS, of Ashburton, Tinsmith, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 29th day of November, 1899, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOHN DAVISON,
Deputy Official Assignee.

22nd November, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD MAHOOD, of Ashburton, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 29th day of November, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

JOHN DAVISON,
Deputy Official Assignee.

24th November, 1899.

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

8654. ANNIE LIVERMORE TAYLER and JANET STIRLING SIME.—1 rood 39½ perches, part of Lot 88 of the Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied partly by Annie L. Tayler and partly by Mrs. Aschoff.

8686. ROBERT FORBES.—1 rood, Lot 33, Plan 121, part of Rural Section 132, Block XIV., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Donald Campbell.

8687. SARAH JANE ROBERTSON.—2 roods, part of Rural Section 105, Borough of St. Albans. Occupied partly by Henry Albert Rout, and partly by William Hume.

8688. CHARLES POULSON.—7 acres 2 roods 36 perches, part of Rural Section 280, Block VII., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8689. CHARLES JOHN STANLEY.—51 acres and 29 perches, Rural Sections 2619 and 3192, Block VI., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8690. WALTER GRUMMITT and HERBERT EDWARD HENWOOD WHITE.—1 rood, part of Lot 7, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Henry Mace.

8692. JOSEPH SEABOURNE WILLIAMS.—32 perches, Lot 65, Plan 38, part of Rural Section 69, Borough of Linwood. Occupied by Henry John Winchester.

8693. THE NEW ZEALAND TRUST AND LOAN COMPANY (LIMITED).—32 perches, parts of Sections 971 and 973, City of Christchurch. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 27th day of November, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
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.

3604. THOMAS BUDDLE.—Allotments 1, 2, 3, 4, 221, and 237, Parish of Waiwera, containing 864 acres 2 roods; and Section D of Allotments 80 and others, Parish of Takapuna, containing 4 acres 1 rood 25 perches. Occupied by tenants.

3607. FREDERICK COCK.—The block of land situated in the Ohinemuri Survey District called Onerangi, containing 32 acres 1 rood. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 25th day of November, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
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 calendar month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

483. HENRY DUNDAS MACKENZIE.—1 acre and 23 perches, Sections 686A, 692, 693, and 694, Town of Picton. In occupation of Mrs. McKenzie.

484. CHARLES MANLEY LUKE, FREDERICK JAMES PINNY, and JOHN MITCHELL.—1 rood 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, Section 275, Town of Picton. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 29th day of November, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Blenheim.

784 J. ALLEN,
District Land Registrar.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 2nd day of January, 1900.

2608. JOSEPH EDWARD NATHAN.—29 acres and 85 perches, parts of Te Ore Ore Block No. 1, Wairarapa District. Occupied by Philip Juno as tenant.

2916. GEORGE AUGUSTUS FAIRBROTHER.—1 acre 1 rood 34 perches, part Section 174, Taratahi Plain Block, Borough of Carterton. Occupied by Hugh McPhee.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 28th day of November, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

783 W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

Private Advertisements.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned ROBERT WHITTEM has retired from the business heretofore carried on by him with WILLIAM IRVING and GEORGE WOODHAM, at Napier and the Spit, under the style or firm of "Conroy and Co.," and that the business will in future be carried on by the said William Irving and George Woodham under the style or firm of "Conroy and Co.;" and notice is hereby also given that the continuing partners will receive all moneys owing to the said firm, and will discharge all the debts of the firm.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1899.
ROBT. WHITTEM.
Witness to the signing hereof by Robert Whitem—C. D. Cornford, Clerk to H. A. Cornford, Solicitor, Napier.
WILLIAM IRVING.
GEORGE WOODHAM.
Witness to the signing hereof by William Irving and George Woodham—F. Logan, Solicitor, Napier. 785

DANNEVIRKE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

NOTICE is hereby given that a copy of the plan of that portion of the Tahoraite No. 2 Block (particulars whereof are set forth in the Schedule hereunder written) proposed to be taken by the Dannevirke Borough Council under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a gravel-pit, is now open for public inspection at the Dannevirke Borough Council Chambers during office-hours; and all persons affected by the proposed taking as aforesaid who have any well-grounded objections thereto are hereby required to set forth in writing such objections, and to send the same to the Dannevirke Borough Council within forty days from date hereof.

Dated at Dannevirke, this 21st day of November, 1899.

THE SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Tahoraite No. 2 Block, Block II., Tahoraite Survey District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres (3a. 0r. 0p.), more or less. Bounded towards the north-east, north-west, and south-west by the remaining portion of the Tahoraite No. 2 Block, 336.4, 757, and 400 links respectively; towards the south-east by Tahoraite No. 2 Block and the public road, 671.6 and 106.4 links respectively.

777 C. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882"; and in the matter of the New Bay of Islands Coal Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at my office, in Gilles Street, Kawakawa, on Wednesday, the

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24th day of January, 1900, at 7 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of.

Dated the 18th day of November, 1899.
D. J. KIRKPATRICK,
Liquidator.

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MEDICAL REGISTRATION.

I HEREBY give notice that I have applied to the Registrar at Christchurch to have my name put on the Medical Register of the colony.

778 GEORGE E. GABITES.

RESULT of a poll taken in the Wairarapa North County, on the 8th day of November, 1899, upon a proposal to adopt the system of rating on the unimproved value of land in the said county:—

Votes recorded in favour of the proposal	..	331
Votes recorded against the proposal	..	68
Informal	..	10
Total number of ratepayers on roll	..	636
Total number of ratepayers who recorded their votes	..	201

As less than one-third of the ratepayers on the roll recorded their votes, I hereby declare the proposal to be rejected.

ELI SMITH,
Chairman.
Masterton, 11th November, 1899. 779

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing between us, MICHAEL BOLGER and GEORGE BRYANT, Mail-coach Proprietors (trading together in co-partnership under the style or firm of "Bolger and Bryant"), has been dissolved as from the 31st day of August, 1899; and that Michael Bolger will discharge all liabilities of the late firm; and that George Bryant will receive such moneys as were due to the late firm up to and including the 18th day of June, 1899.

Dated this 25th day of November, 1899.
MICHAEL BOLGER.
G. BRYANT.

Witness to signatures of Michael Bolger and George Bryant—
JAMES C. DATSON,
Landbroker, Manaia. 781

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