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Proclaiming Borough of Motueka, County of Waimea.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

(L.S.)

ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," the Governor is empowered by Proclamation to declare any portion of the Colony of New Zealand to be a borough under the said Act from and after a day to be named in such Proclamation:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that the district described in the Schedule hereto shall be and the same is hereby constituted, as from the eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, a borough under the said Act; and I do further proclaim and declare that the name of such borough shall be the Borough of Motueka, and that the boundaries thereof shall be those described in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Nelson Land District bounded by a line commencing at the south-western corner of Section No. 234, Block VII., Motueka Survey District, and proceeding thence in a due easterly direction to the Moutere Mud-flat, at the south-eastern corner of Section No. 1 of 173 of the said Block VII.; thence in a generally north-easterly direction by the eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 1 of 173, 3 of 173, 170, 2 of 170, and 169, to the southern boundary of Section No. 144, Block IV., of the said survey district; thence in an easterly direction to the sea-beach, at the south-eastern corner of the said Section No. 144; thence in a generally northerly direction along the line of high-water mark to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 29 of the said Block IV.; thence in a westerly direction to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 129 of the said Block IV.; thence in a northerly direction to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 126 of the said Block IV.; thence in a westerly direction to the south bank of the Motueka River; thence in a generally southerly and westerly direction along the south bank of the Motueka River (excluding the islands in

the said river) to the western boundary of Section No. 215, Block III., of the said survey district; and thence in a due southerly direction back to starting-point at the south-west corner of said Section No. 234.

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

T. THOMPSON.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Cancelling Reserve under "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred upon the Governor in Council by "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898," the kauri-gum reserve specified in the Schedule hereto was set apart and constituted under the aforesaid Act by Order in Council dated the twenty-eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine: And whereas it is expedient to cancel the said reserve:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the aforesaid powers, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke so

much of the aforesaid Order in Council as relates to the kauri-gum reserve set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth hereby declare that from the date of the gazetting of this Order in Council the land comprised in such reserve shall cease to be a kauri-gum reserve.

SCHEDULE.

OTAMATEA COUNTY.

MARERETU Kauri-gum Reserve No. 1: 72 acres.

Mareretu Kauri-gum Reserve No. 1.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 72 acres, more or less, being Section No. 42, Mareretu Parish, situated in Block III., Matakoho Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 43; towards the east by a public road; towards the south-east by Section No. 41; and towards the west generally by a public road.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Setting apart Reserves under "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor in Council is authorised under the said Act to set apart any specified area of Crown lands within a kauri-gum district to be kauri-gum reserves under the said Act: And whereas it is expedient to create and set apart the kauri-gum reserves hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby set apart the areas of Crown land described in the Schedule hereto as kauri-gum reserves, with the names set over the descriptions of such reserves in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

OTAMATEA COUNTY.

MARERETU No. 1 Kauri-gum Reserve: 58 acres 2 roods 10 perches. For Mareretu Settlement.

Mareretu No. 3 Kauri-gum Reserve: 104 acres 1 rood 38 perches. For Mareretu Settlement.

Mareretu No. 4 Kauri-gum Reserve: 13 acres. For Mareretu Settlement.

Mareretu No. 5 Kauri-gum Reserve: 16 acres. For Mareretu Settlement.

Mareretu No. 6 Kauri-gum Reserve: 176 acres. For Mareretu Settlement.

Mareretu No. 1 Kauri-gum Reserve.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being the northern portion of Section No. 42 of the Parish of Mareretu, containing by admeasurement 58 acres 2 roods 10 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the east by a public road; towards the south-east by the southern portion of Section No. 42 of the Parish of Mareretu; towards the west by a public road; and towards the north-west by Section No. 43 of the Parish of Mareretu aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Mareretu No. 3 Kauri-gum Reserve.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being the south-western portion of Section No. 45 and the north-eastern portion of Section No. 46, both of the Parish of Mareretu, containing by admeasurement 104 acres 1 rood 38 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 47 of the Parish of Mareretu, by the crossing of a public road, by said road, and by the north-eastern portion of Section No. 45 of the Parish of Mareretu aforesaid; towards the south-east by Section No. 43 of the same parish; towards the south-west by Section No. 45A of the same parish, by a public road, by the crossing of said road, and by the south-western portion of Section No. 46 of the parish last named; and towards the north-west by Section No. 61 of the Parish of Waikiekie to the point of commencement: save and except a road 100 links wide which intersects the area hereinbefore described.

Mareretu No. 4 Kauri-gum Reserve.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being the south-eastern portion of Section No. 51 of the Parish of Mareretu, containing by admeasurement 13 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 52 of the Parish of Mareretu; towards the south-east and south-west by a public road; and towards the north-west by the north-western portion of Section No. 51 of the Parish of Mareretu aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Mareretu No. 5 Kauri-gum Reserve.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being the south-western portion of Section No. 58 of the Parish of Mareretu, containing by admeasurement 16 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by the middle portion of Section No. 58 of the Parish of Mareretu; towards the south-east by a public road; and towards the south-west by Section No. 59 of the Parish of Mareretu aforesaid, and by a public road to the point of commencement.

Mareretu No. 6 Kauri-gum Reserve.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being Sections Nos. 71 and 82, the south-western portion of Section No. 81, and the western portion of Section No. 72, all of the Parish of Mareretu, containing by admeasurement 176 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by the north-eastern portion of Section No. 81 of the Parish of Mareretu and by Sections Nos. 80 and 83 of the same parish; towards the south-east by a public road and by the eastern portion of Section No. 72 of the parish last mentioned; towards the south-west by Sections Nos. 75 and 70 of the same parish; and towards the north-west by a public road to the point of commencement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing the Coastal Steamship Company (Limited) to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of the Mahurangi River as a Wharf-site.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), the Coastal Steamship Company (Limited) (hereinafter called "the company") has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under the said Act to occupy a part of the foreshore, and of the land below low-water mark adjacent thereto, on the Mahurangi River, in order to erect a wharf thereon, and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited plans in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2317 and 2318), showing the area of foreshore and land below low-water mark intended to be occupied, and the manner in which it is proposed to erect the wharf: And whereas the Governor in Council has approved of the purpose for which the said foreshore and land below low-water mark are to be occupied: And whereas it is expedient that a license should be granted and issued to the company under the said Act, for the purpose aforesaid, on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby approve of the object for which the said license is required by the company as aforesaid; and, in further pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby license and permit the company to use and occupy that part of the foreshore and of the land below low-water mark on which the wharf is to be erected, as shown on the plans so deposited as aforesaid, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining the said wharf thereon, such license to be held and enjoyed by the company upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

1. In these conditions the term "Minister" means the Minister having Charge of the Marine Department, as defined by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and

includes any officer, person, or authority acting by or under the direction of such Minister.

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore and land below low-water mark necessary for the erection of the wharf, as shown on plans marked M.D. 2317 and 2318.

3. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the company shall, on being supplied with a copy thereof, pay to the Minister the sum of £5, and thereafter an annual sum of £2, payable on the 1st day of December, dating from the 1st day of December, 1899, the first of such annual payments to be made on the company being supplied with a copy of this Order in Council.

4. All persons shall, at all reasonable times, upon payment of the proper dues, have free and full liberty to use the said wharf, and all rights of ingress and egress thereon and therefrom.

5. Her Majesty, or the Governor, and all officers in the Government service acting in the execution of their duty, shall at all times have free ingress, passage, and egress into, through, and out of the said wharf without payment.

6. The company shall maintain the above-mentioned wharf in good order and repair; and shall at all times exhibit therefrom and maintain at its own cost suitable and necessary lights for the guidance of vessels: Provided that no light shall be exhibited until after it has been approved of by the Minister.

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

8. Nothing herein contained shall authorise the company to do or cause to be done anything repugnant to or inconsistent with any law relating to the Customs, or any regulation of the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, or with any provisions of "The Harbours Act, 1878," or its amendments, or any regulations made thereunder, and that are now or may hereafter be in force.

9. The ballast of all vessels loading at the said wharf shall be taken away by the company and deposited above high-water mark, or at such place as may be approved of by the Minister, or by any person appointed by the Minister for that purpose.

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

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

12. The company shall be liable for any injury which the said wharf may cause any vessel or boat to sustain through any default or neglect on its part.

13. In case the company shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said wharf for a period of thirty days;
- (3.) Become bankrupt, or be in any manner brought under the operation of any Act for the time being in force relating to bankruptcy; or
- (4.) Fail to pay the sums specified in clause 3 of these conditions,

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

14. The erection of the wharf shall be sufficient evidence of the acceptance by the company of the terms and conditions of this Order in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Exchange of a Portion of a Reserve in Canterbury for other Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

Description of Portion of Reserve intended to be exchanged.	Description of Land to be obtained in Exchange therefor.
<p>All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing 124 acres and 11 perches, more or less, being part of Plantation Reserve 2734 (in red), situate in Blocks V., IX., X., and XIV., Spaxton Survey District; being a strip of land 200 links wide, extending in a south-easterly direction on an average of 62036 links; the north-west corner of the said strip of land being 500 links southward along the road forming the western boundary of Section 29536, thence at a right angle, 33 links, to the aforesaid north-west corner: save and except three road-lines, each 100 links wide, and two parcels of said reserve measuring 200 by 500 links abutting on two of the said roads, and which intersect the area hereby described: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan in the Survey Office, Christchurch.</p>	<p>All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing 30 acres 2 roods 15 perches, more or less, situate in Block V., Spaxton Survey District; being a strip of land 5 chains south of and parallel to the northern boundary of Section 29536, continued through Section 34144 to the road, and forming part of said sections: save and except therefrom that portion of Reserve 2734 intersecting the westernmost corner of the above-described land.</p> <p>Also all that parcel of land, containing 30 acres 3 roods 10 perches, more or less, being Section 32653x, and parts of Sections 32653, 34144, and 34144x, situate in Block V., Spaxton Survey District. Bounded on the northward by a road-line, 6363 links; on the eastward by a road-line, 500·7 links; on the southward by Reserve 1606 (in red), Section 30189, Plantation Reserve 2734 (in red), and Section 35909, 6363 links; and on the westward by Sections 34144 and 34144x, 500·7 links: save and except a parcel of the said Reserve 2734, measuring 200 by 500 links, intersecting the area hereby described.</p> <p>Also all that parcel of land, containing 62 acres 2 roods 26 perches, more or less, situate in Blocks IX. and X., Spaxton Survey District; being the whole of Section 34147, and the portions of Sections 30629 and 34148 contained by the continuation westerly of the north-western boundary of said Section 34147 a distance of 6464·8 links: save and except therefrom the road and portion of Reserve 2734, which intersect the above-described land: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan in the Survey Office, Christchurch.</p>

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Maungatua Land-drainage District, County of Taieri, constituted.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of the fifth section of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," a majority of the ratepayers in the district described in the Schedule hereto, situated in the County of Taieri, have presented a petition to His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand praying that the land comprised in the said district be constituted a drainage district under the provisions of the said Act:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the fifth section of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby constitute and declare the block of land described in the said petition and in the Schedule hereto to be a district for the purposes of Part I. of the said Act, and to be called by the name of the "Maungatua Drainage District"; and also, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the ninth section of the said Act, doth hereby declare that the Board of Trustees for the said district shall consist of five members, to be elected under and in accordance with the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

MAUNGATUA DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

All that area in the Otago Land District, Maungatua Survey District, bounded towards the north-west by the road from Outram to Berwick, forming the north-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 10, 8, 6, 4, and 2, Block II., from the westernmost corner of Section No. 10 aforesaid to the westernmost corner of Section No. 20, Block I.: thence towards the north-east by said Section No. 20 and Section No. 42, Block V., to the road forming the south-western boundary of said Section No. 42; thence by that road across Lee's Creek and by the road forming the south-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 32 and 29, Block V., to the northernmost corner of Section No. 39: thence towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 39 and 38, said Block V., to the road forming the south-western boundary of the last-mentioned section, and by a right line across that road: thence again towards the north-east by the said road forming the south-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 38, 26, and 25, Block V. aforesaid, to the south-eastern boundary-line of Allotment No. 39 of original Section No. 79, Block VI.: thence again towards the south-east by the south-eastern boundary-lines of Allotments Nos. 39, 38, and 37, and the north-eastern boundary-line of Allotment No. 36, to the road along the north-western side of the Main Trunk Railway-line; and thence by that road to the south-western boundary-line of Allotment No. 34: thence towards the south-west generally by the south-western boundary-line of said Allotment No. 34 to the road forming the south-eastern boundaries of Allotments Nos. 47, 48, and 49 of original Section No. 37, said Block VI.: thence by that road to the south-western boundary-line of the last-mentioned allotment; thence by that boundary-line, and the north-western boundary-line of Allotments Nos. 49 and 48, and the south-western boundary-line of Allotment No. 56, to the road forming the north-western boundary of said Allotment No. 56; thence by that road to a point in line with the south-western boundary-line of Allotment No. 4 of original Sections Nos. 37 and 38; thence by a right line to and by the south-western boundary-line, and part of the north-western boundary-line of that allotment, by the south-western boundary-lines of Allotments Nos. 8 and 11 of original Section No. 38, and the north-western boundary-line of the last-mentioned allotment, to the road forming the north-eastern boundary of that allotment; thence by the road forming the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 46, 39, and 47 to the drain which intersects the last-mentioned section; thence by that drain to the road along the north-western side of Lake Waipori; thence by that road to Section No. 8; and thence by Sections Nos. 8, 7, and 6, Block VI. aforesaid, and Sections Nos. 14 and 12, Block II., to the place of commencement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, known as Oruamatua-Kaimanawa, No. 2r, containing 325 acres, more or less, being the whole of the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the 29th day of September, 1897, in favour of Tairuru te Rango and others.

All that piece or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing 1,349 acres 2 roods, more or less, being part of the land known as Oruamatua-Kaimanawa No. 2n, and being part of the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the 29th day of September, 1897, in favour of Tairuru te Rango and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

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shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided also that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of mortgage to a lending department of the Government, all that block or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing one thousand six hundred and ninety-five acres two roods, more or less, and known as Ornamatua-Kaimanawa No. 2p, being the whole of the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the twenty-ninth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in favour of Ngamako te Rango and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

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Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of sale to the Hawke's Bay Education Board, all that block or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, containing two acres, more or less, being part of the land known as Omaha No. 2c, and being part of the land comprised in partition order of the Native Land Court dated the twenty-third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in favour of Wereta Rouru.

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Clerk of the Executive Council.

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HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, except from the

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of transfer to Rora Potaka, all that block or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing five hundred and forty-eight acres, more or less, known as Maungakaretu No. 3b, and being the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the thirteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, in favour of Watarawi Hohaia and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of sale, all that block or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing two hundred and fifty-six acres, more or less, known as Mahoenui E No. 2, and being the land comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court, dated the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, in favour of Arapata Rangahiataki and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Authorising Native to mortgage Land under Section 6 of
"The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1897."

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth
day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section six of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1897," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, authorise any Native owning land in severalty to mortgage such land to any lending department of the Government, and that in such case the mortgage shall operate in all respects as if the mortgagor were other than a Native, and accordingly none of the restrictions, limitations, or provisions of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," or any other Act affecting Native lands, or lands owned or held by Natives, shall apply, anything in any such Act to the contrary notwithstanding: And whereas Rora te Oiroa Potaka, otherwise called Rora Utiku, of Rata, in the Provincial District of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, being the owner in severalty of the block or parcel of land mentioned and particularised in the Schedule hereto, has applied to be allowed to mortgage the said block of land: And whereas, by certificate bearing date the twenty-ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, under the hand of Robert Ward, Esquire, a Judge of the Native Land Court of New Zealand, and the seal of the said Court, it was certified that the said Rora te Oiroa Potaka, otherwise Rora Utiku, possesses, irrespective of the land proposed to be mortgaged, other land sufficient for her maintenance:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the Act aforesaid, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby authorise the said Rora te Oiroa Potaka, otherwise Rora Utiku, to mortgage the lands set out in the Schedule hereto to a lending department of the Government as aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Block.	District.	Area.	Reference to Title: Partition Order of Native Land Court.
Oruamatua-Kaimanawa No. 2e	Wellington	Acres. 3,282	29th September, 1897.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Making General Harbour Regulations.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth
day of December, 1899.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by section two hundred and twelve of "The Harbours Act, 1878," that the Governor in Council may, for the purposes specified in the said section, from time to time make regulations, to be called "General Harbour Regulations," and which shall be in force in all the ports of the colony:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 49, of the seventh day of the same month, the Governor in Council made General Harbour Regulations:

And whereas it is desirable to revoke Regulation No. 21 of the said regulations:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the hereinbefore-in-part-recited Act, doth hereby revoke Regulation No. 21 of the said General Harbour Regulations of the fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred

and eighty-three, and doth hereby make the following General Harbour Regulations, and doth order and declare that they shall be in force in all ports of the colony.

GENERAL HARBOUR REGULATIONS.

21. No gunpowder or explosives in excess of 50 lb. shall be received on board or landed from any ship except at the usual gunpowder anchorage.

21A. Gunpowder or explosives shipped or landed at a place other than the usual gunpowder anchorage shall be conveyed to or from the ship in properly constructed copper magazines, or strong wooden boxes with copper fastenings, with lids properly and securely fastened.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Time for holding Election, Rangitikei Electoral District,
extended.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS on the twenty-second day of November last past the Clerk of the Writs, pursuant to the provisions of "The Electoral Act, 1893," and its amendments, duly issued a writ for the election of one member to serve in the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of Rangitikei: And whereas Thomas Watson, the Returning Officer for the said district (hereinafter referred to as "the Returning Officer"), in accordance with the provisions of "The Electoral Act, 1893," and its amendments, duly received nominations of Frank Yates Lethbridge and Thomas Riley Taylor as candidates for election as such member of the House of Representatives for the said district: And whereas according to the terms of the said writ so issued as aforesaid the poll for the said election was directed to be taken on the sixth day of December instant, and such writ was made returnable on the thirteenth day of the same month: And whereas on the fourth day of December now instant the said Thomas Riley Taylor died: And whereas by the eighty-second section of "The Electoral Act, 1893" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that if a duly nominated candidate, who has not withdrawn, shall die after the last day on which nomination-papers can be sent in, and before the day appointed for the poll at an election, the Returning Officer shall, upon being satisfied of the fact of such death, countermand notice of the poll, and also that all proceedings with reference to the election shall be commenced afresh in all respects as if the writ had been received by the Returning Officer on the day on which proof was given him of such death, and also that it shall not be necessary to nominate afresh any candidate in respect of whom the nomination required by this Act was given at the time of the countermand of the poll: And whereas, proof having been given to the Returning Officer of the fact of such death, he hath, by notice published in the *Feilding Star* of the fourth day of December aforesaid, duly countermanded notice of the poll intended to be taken as aforesaid, and hath also indorsed the said writ as required by the provisions of the eighty-third section of the said Act: And whereas by the one-hundred-and-sixty-eighth section of the said Act it is enacted that, within twenty-one days before or after the day appointed for doing any act, matter, or thing by the said Act required to be done on or before a day certain, the Governor in Council may extend the time allowed for doing any such act, matter, or thing, and adopt, or cause to be adopted, such measures as may be necessary to remove any obstacle or difficulty of a technical or formal nature by which the carrying-out of the provisions of the said Act may be impeded, and supply any deficiency which may be required to be supplied in order to enable the said provisions to be carried out:

Now, therefore, in order to enable the said election to be carried out, and to remove any obstacle of a formal or technical nature by which the provisions of "The Electoral Act, 1893," might be impeded, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of all powers and authorities vested in him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities in this behalf enabling him, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare as follows, that is to say,—

1. The time up to which nominations of candidates for the said election may be received is hereby extended until five o'clock in the afternoon of the seventh day before the day appointed hereunder for the poll;
2. The date appointed by the said writ for taking the poll at such election is hereby extended so that the said poll shall be taken on the twentieth day of December now instant;
3. And the date appointed by the said writ for the return thereof is hereby extended so that the time for the return of the said writ shall expire on the twenty-seventh day of December now instant,—

And in further pursuance of the said powers and authorities, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby order and direct that all acts and things required to be done by or under the said Act for the purpose of carrying out the said election as directed by this Order in Council shall be done, and that all officers and persons concerned shall act and govern themselves accordingly.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Ettrick Domain brought under the Provisions of "The Mining Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by section twenty-five of "The Mining Act, 1898" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), and of all other powers enabling me in this behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that all the provisions of "The Mining Act, 1898," and the regulations thereunder, shall have operation within the land described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by estimation 420 acres, more or less, being Section No. 44, Block I., situate in the Benger District. Bounded towards the west by Block I., 9743 links; towards the north-east by the Clutha River, 12000 links; towards the south by a line commencing at the Clutha River, and proceeding due west across Trigonometrical Station B, and thence by a road-line extending in the same direction to Block I., 6000 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: excepting out of the above description Cemetery Reserve and road-line thereto.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Mines.

Notifying Lands in Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirteenth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Friday, the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Village of Raupo.

Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, each 1 acre; upset price per lot, £5. Lot 25, 1 acre and 22 perches; upset price, £5 13s. Lot 26, 1 acre and 28 perches; upset price, £5 17s. 6d. Lot 27, 1 acre and 33 perches; upset price, £5 19s. Lot 28, 1 acre and 32 perches; upset price, £5 19s.

Suburbs of Raupo.

Lots 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, each 10 acres; upset price per lot, £30. Lot 15, 9 acres 3 roods 32 perches; total upset price, £30.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Canterbury for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirteenth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Thursday, the eighth day of February, one thousand nine hundred, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Township of Glenavy.

Section.	Area.			Upset Price per Section.	Section.	Area.			Upset Price per Section.
	A.	R.	P.			A.	R.	P.	
73	0	1	0	£ 10 0 0	81	0	1	0	£ 12 10 0
74	0	1	0	£ 10 0 0	82	0	1	0	£ 12 10 0
75	0	1	0	£ 10 0 0	84	0	0	39	£ 10 0 0
78	0	1	0	£ 12 10 0	85	0	1	0	£ 10 0 0
79	0	1	0	£ 12 10 0	86	0	1	0	£ 10 0 0
80	0	1	0	£ 12 10 0	87	0	1	0	£ 10 0 0

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Removal of Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the owners of the lands described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such lands contained in the Crown grants bearing date the twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL those parcels of land, containing respectively 25 acres and 75 acres, more or less, being Section 3, Block IV., Waitara Survey District, and Section 6, Block I., Upper Waitara Survey District, held under Crown grant, dated the 26th day of January, 1885, in favour of Iriapeti Peke, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor being previously obtained to every such sale, lease or mortgage."

All those parcels of land, containing respectively 12 acres 2 roods and 37 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section 31, Block IV., Waitara Survey District, and Section 27, Block I., Upper Waitara Survey District, held under Crown grant, dated the 26th day of January, 1885, in favour of Metapere, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor being previously obtained to every such sale, lease, or mortgage."

All those parcels of land, containing respectively 51 acres and 149 acres, more or less, being Section 11, Block IV., Waitara Survey District, and Section 25, Block I., Upper Waitara Survey District, held under Crown grant, dated the 26th day of January, 1885, in favour of Tamate Kawhia, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor being previously obtained to every such sale, lease, or mortgage."

All those parcels of land, containing respectively 51 acres and 149 acres, more or less, being Sections 27 and 42, Block IV., Waitara Survey District, held under Crown grant, dated the 26th day of January, 1885, in favour of Arimana Patea, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale, or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor being previously obtained to every such sale, lease, or mortgage."

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Native Minister.

Notice of Election of a Member of the Board of Conciliation for the Westland Industrial District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that

ANDREW MCKAY, of Greymouth, contractor, has been duly elected a member of the Board of Conciliation in and for the Westland Industrial District, *vice* James Bishop, resigned.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Labour.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

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

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

HENEY KEARY

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

T. THOMPSON.

Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1899.

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

JOHN HUNTER

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

T. THOMPSON.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 5th December, 1899.

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

Name.	District.
Constable MICHAEL JOSEPH WILDERMOTH	The Middle Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Labour

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 30th 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.
Frank Annis ..	Settler ..	Waihola.
John Brasting ..	Cook ..	Spreydon, Christchurch.
Christian Christiansen ..	Brickmaker ..	Avondale.
Charles Diez ..	Farmer ..	Rawene.
Frederick Eckstein ..	Labourer ..	Pahiatua.
Dimitre Garbis ..	Fisherman ..	Petone.
Soph Herman Jansen ..	Baker ..	Dannevirke.
Anders Christian Jensen ..	Farmer ..	Shannon.
Gustav Maximilian Kliess ..	Labourer ..	Ngairae.
Jacob Kowlwski ..	Farmer ..	Midhirst.
Gabriel Marius ..	Gum-digger ..	Aratapu.
William Marzahn ..	Farmer ..	Waikaka.
John Mattson ..	Contractor ..	Wairoa.
Anders Nielsen ..	Fisherman ..	Napier.
John Gustav Nyberg ..	Sawmiller ..	Moana.
Henry Olson ..	Gum-digger ..	Waihopo.
Henry Peterson ..	Mariner ..	Auckland.
Friedrike Amalie Sherer ..	Domestic Duties ..	Midhirst.
John Styris ..	Sawmill-hand ..	Eketahuna.
John Swanson ..	Builder ..	Auckland.
Franciscus van Damm ..	Carpenter ..	Whatawhata.
Charles Vieri ..	Gum-digger ..	Aratapu.

T. THOMPSON.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Hawera County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1899.

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

T. THOMPSON.

HAWERA COUNTY COUNCIL.

LOAN of £300 under the Provisions of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and the Amendments thereof, for the Purpose of acquiring the Land for the Construction of a Road from the Whareroa Road, *via* the Tangahoe Valley, to the Kaitoke Road, in accordance with Surveyed Plan, which may be inspected at the Council's Office, Hawera.

NOTICE is hereby given that the poll of ratepayers taken on the 27th instant resulted as follows:-

Number of votes on roll, 4; number of votes exercisable, 9; Number of voters for proposal, 4; number of votes for proposal, 9; number of voters and votes against proposal, nil.

I therefore declare the proposal to be carried.

Hawera, 28th November, 1899.

JOHN WINKS,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Manawatu County.

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

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

T. THOMPSON.

MANAWATU COUNTY COUNCIL.

THE following is the result of a poll of ratepayers taken on the 27th November, 1899, on a proposal to raise a loan of £300, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," for forming and metalling Carr Street, and proportion (half) cost of forming and metalling South Street.

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 10, exercising 13 votes; Number of ratepayers who voted for the proposal, 8, exercising 9 votes; number of ratepayers who voted against the proposal, nil.

The number of voters and votes in favour of the proposal being more than half the total number exercisable, I hereby declare such proposal to be carried.

Sanston, 28th November, 1899.

JAMES G. WILSON,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of City of Wellington.

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

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of the City of Wellington, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

T. THOMPSON.

CITY OF WELLINGTON.

To the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.
IN terms of section 184 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," I hereby give you notice that on the 21st day of November instant the following proposal of the Council of the City of Wellington was duly carried:—

In the matter of "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1899," and Part IX. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

I hereby give notice that the Council of the City of Wellington proposes to borrow the sum of £5,000 by way of special loan under the provisions of the above-named Acts, for the erection of a fire-brigade station on the reclaimed land, Jervois Quay, to which purpose such sum shall be exclusively appropriated. The estimated cost of the said station is £8,000. The Council has £3,000 in hand, and the £5,000 now proposed to be borrowed is required to make up the above-mentioned amount of £8,000.

J. E. PAGE,
14th October, 1899. Town Clerk.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1899.

J. R. BLAIR,
Mayor of Wellington.

I, John Rutherford Blair, Mayor of the City of Wellington, do solemnly and sincerely declare that all proceedings required by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The Municipal Franchise Reform Act, 1898," and "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1899," to be taken in or towards obtaining the sanction of the citizens of the City of Wellington to the proposal set out in the foregoing notice to the Colonial Secretary have been duly taken, and that a resolution of the citizens in favour of such proposal has been duly carried.

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

J. R. BLAIR,
Mayor.

Declared at the City of Wellington, this 28th day of November, 1899, before me—A. de B. Brandon, Notary Public.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of City of Christchurch.

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

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of City of Christchurch, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

T. THOMPSON.

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL.

IN compliance with "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The Christchurch City Borrowing Act, 1899," I hereby declare the result of the poll taken on November the 22nd instant in respect of a special loan of £35,000 for the City of Christchurch:—

For the proposal, 323; against the proposal, 219: majority for the loan, 104.

I therefore declare the proposal carried.

C. LOUISSON,
Mayor.

City Council Office, 22nd November, 1899.

Declaration.

I, Charles Louisson, Mayor of the City of Christchurch, do solemnly and sincerely declare that all proceedings necessary and required by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The Christchurch City Borrowing Act, 1899," to be taken in or towards obtaining the sanction of the burgesses to the raising of a loan of £35,000 for the carrying-out of the necessary works as set out in the last above-mentioned Act, have, to the best of my belief, been duly taken.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the pro-

visions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

C. LOUISSON.

Declared before me, this 23rd day of November, 1899—
E. Smith, Justice of the Peace.

New Zealand Government Railways.—By-laws regulating the Use of the Rangitikei Railway-bridge for Ordinary Traffic.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers conferred by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and its amendments, I, Alfred Jerome Cadman, the Minister for Railways, do hereby make the by-laws set forth in the Schedule hereto for regulating the traffic on and over the Rangitikei Railway-bridge, which said bridge forms part of the railway between Wellington and New Plymouth, and is used both for ordinary and railway traffic.

And I do hereby declare that such by-laws shall come into force on and from the date of the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Given under my hand, this twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister for Railways.

SCHEDULE.

BY-LAWS.

1. HORSES not driven in harness or led by bridle or halter, and cattle, sheep, pigs, goats, mules, and donkeys, must have a man behind them; and cattle, sheep, and horses in mobs must also have a man before them.

2. Foot-passengers, horses, or light-wheeled vehicles will not be allowed to enter upon the bridge within ten minutes of the time that any train is due on the bridge, drays within fifteen minutes, and cattle, sheep, or pigs within twenty minutes.

3. Horsemen or wheeled vehicles shall not travel faster than at the rate of six miles an hour.

4. Traction-engines shall not cross the bridge unless loaded on railway wagons.

5. Portable engines, combines, elevators, reapers-and-binders (excepting reapers-and-binders on special travelling-carriages), and such travelling or portable machines or loads which exceed 11 ft. in width (all of which are hereinafter included in the term "machine") may only be taken over the bridge subject to the following conditions:—

(a.) The owner or person in charge thereof shall obtain from the Railway Stationmaster at Halcombe or Greatford a permit authorising the passage of the machine over the bridge, accompanied by the bridgekeeper.

(b.) Before such permit is issued, the person applying for the same shall state correctly the description, weight, number of wheels, breadth of tires, and width of the machine or load, together with the name and address of the owner thereof, which particulars shall be entered in the permit.

(c.) The permit is to be given to the bridgekeeper, and the machine shall not be allowed to enter upon the bridge if the description in the permit does not agree with the machine, nor unless accompanied by the bridgekeeper.

(d.) Every precaution shall be taken against fire or other damage to the bridge or railway, as required by the bridgekeeper, and speed shall be a uniform rate not exceeding two miles an hour.

(e.) The owner of any machine shall be liable to the Minister for any damage done to the bridge or railway during transit of such machine.

6. No load shall be taken over the bridge greater than 1½ tons gross per wheel, except with tires 5 in. broad or wider; and no load over 2 tons per wheel shall pass over except under the regulations for machines; and loads greater than 4 tons per wheel are entirely prohibited from passing over the bridge.

7. No person shall be allowed to go upon or cross the bridge while in a state of intoxication.

8. Any person or persons entering upon the bridge within the prohibited intervals, or resisting the bridgekeeper in the execution of his duty, or offending against any of these regulations, or giving untrue information concerning particulars required for entering in any permit according to these regulations, shall, for every such offence, be liable to a penalty not exceeding £10.

9. So far as applicable, the general by-laws and regulations for the time being respectively in force and affecting the traffic on the New Zealand railways shall extend and apply to the Rangitikei Railway-bridge.

Notice to Mariners, No. 46 of 1899.

ALTERATION OF BUOYAGE SYSTEM AT MANUKAU HARBOUR.

Marine Department,

Wellington, N.Z., 29th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in order to decrease the risk of navigation at night-time in the Manukau Harbour, the buoys have been so altered and arranged that the starboard-hand buoys on entering the harbour are all cask- or barrel-shaped and painted red, except the turning-buoys, which are cone-shaped, surmounted with staff and cage, and painted red.

The port-hand buoys are all iron buoys and painted black, but are of various shapes, some being conical, some flat-topped, and others dome-shaped.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty chart No. 2726; "New Zealand Pilot," 1891, Chapter vi., pages 256 to 264.

T. THOMPSON,

For Minister of Marine.

Notice to Mariners, No. 47 of 1899.

LEADING-BEACONS, WHAINGAROA (OR RAGLAN) HARBOUR.

Marine Department,

Wellington, N.Z., 29th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that, owing to changes in the position of the bar of Whaingaroa (or Raglan) Harbour, the old leading-beacons on North Head are not now of any use. Other beacons have been erected by the Northern Steamship Company near the Township of Raglan. Captain Bollons, of the Government steamer "Hinemoa," reports having examined these beacons and the bar at the entrance to the river, where the least water found with the beacons in line was 10 ft. at low water, spring tides.

The beacons are situated on Te Kohae Point, near the Township of Raglan, on the starboard or south side of the river.

They bear E. by N. $\frac{1}{2}$ N., and W. by S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S., from one another, and lie about two cables apart; they are open-boarded and painted white.

The lower or front one is situated in the Government Reserve and near the Courthouse, the upper or back one being built about 8 ft. from the roadside.

The old beacons on the North Head are still standing, but are quite useless for the channel as it at present exists. Bearings correct magnetic.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty chart No. 2534; "New Zealand Pilot," 1891, chap. vi., pages 266 to 267.

T. THOMPSON,

For Minister of Marine.

Notice to Mariners, No. 48 of 1899.

AOTEA HARBOUR.—LEADING-BEACONS.

Marine Department,

Wellington, N.Z., 29th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that two beacons have been erected to lead over the bar at the entrance to Aotea Harbour. They are situated about one-third of a mile to the southward of Kapua-te-mauna, or South Head, and are built on rising ground and ridges, the back or upper one being about 100 ft. higher than the front beacon. The ground is dark, and the white beacons stand out clearly, being visible ten miles at sea. The beacons are about 400 ft. apart, and bear N.E. by E. $\frac{1}{4}$ E., and S.W. by W. $\frac{1}{4}$ W., from one another (correct magnetic). They are triangular in shape, and painted white.

Should the beacons by any chance get blown down, good natural marks can be had by keeping an umbrella-shaped clump of trees near the top of the hill (south of the South Head) just open to the southward of a big clump of pohutukawa-trees (dark green), which are near the lower part of the hill to the westward.

These marks are very conspicuous, and easily picked up, and lead in over the bar in deepest water.

The least water on the bar at low water, spring tides, is 4 ft.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty chart No. 2535; "New Zealand Pilot," 1891, Chapter vi., pages 268 and 269.

T. THOMPSON,

For Minister of Marine.

Notice to Mariners, No. 49 of 1899.

Marine Department,

Wellington, 1st December, 1899.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Department of Ports and Harbours, Melbourne, Victoria, are published for general information.

T. THOMPSON,

For Minister of Marine.

VICTORIA [No. 23].—PORT PHILLIP BAY.—POPE'S EYE BANK. Referring to Notice to Mariners No. 22, dated 4th instant, it is hereby notified that the buoy which broke adrift from the S.W. limit of the Pope's Eye Bank has been replaced in position.

This notice affects Admiralty charts 1171A and 2747A; "Australia Directory," Vol. i., page 446; and General Notice to Mariners, Victoria, page 64.

C. W. MACLEAN,

Port Officer.

Harbour Office, Customs,
Melbourne, 24th October, 1899.

[No. 24].—PORT PHILLIP BAY.—SUNKEN WRECK.

Referring to Notice to Mariners No. 21, dated 19th September, 1899, it is hereby notified that the sunken steamship *Excelsior* has now been moved further towards Point Gellibrand Floating Light, and that, in order to permit of the necessary operations in connection with the recovery of the vessel being conducted with safety and efficiency, it is necessary that vessels passing within a radius of three-quarters of a mile from the wreck slacken speed to a rate not exceeding six knots an hour.

Masters and others in charge of vessels are cautioned accordingly.

C. W. MACLEAN,

Port Officer.

Harbour Office, Customs,
Melbourne, 1st November, 1899.

[No. 25].—PORT PHILLIP BAY.—SYMONDS SPIT BEACON.

Referring to Notice to Mariners dated 16th April, 1890, notice is hereby given that the pile beacon marking the north-east end of the West Middle Sand at the entrance to Symonds Channel, within Port Phillip, has fallen down, and that a 300-gallon cask buoy has been moored to mark such position.

Charts affected: 274B and 1171A.

C. W. MACLEAN,

Port Officer.

Harbour Office, Customs,
Melbourne, 6th November, 1899.

Services of Volunteer Officer retained on the Active List.

Defence Office,

Wellington, 30th November, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has been pleased to approve, under paragraph 260, Volunteer Regulations, 1895, of the services of

Lieutenant-Colonel THOMAS LETCH MURRAY, commanding 1st Battalion Infantry Volunteers, "Countess of Ranfurly's Own,"

being retained for service until he shall have attained the age of sixty-five years.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officers resigned.

Defence Office,

Wellington, 30th November, 1899.

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

1st Westland Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Alexander Bertram King.

New Zealand Volunteer Medical Staff.

Surgeon-Captain Murdoch Mackenzie.

Date of resignations, 1st November, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,

Wellington, 5th December, 1899.

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

Christ College Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Norman Lionel D'Arcy Smith. Date of resignation, 8th October, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Regulations under which Commissions in the British Army may be obtained by Officers of Colonial Military Forces and Students from the Colonial Universities.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1899.

THE following regulations re commissions in the British Army are published for general information. These regulations cancel those published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 20, of 24th March, 1898.

T. THOMPSON.

REGULATIONS UNDER WHICH COMMISSIONS IN THE BRITISH ARMY MAY BE OBTAINED BY OFFICERS OF COLONIAL LOCAL MILITARY FORCES AND STUDENTS FROM THE COLONIAL UNIVERSITIES.—1899.

[N.B.—Officers appointed to commissions in the army may, in case of voluntary retirement from the army, be called upon, as a condition of receiving the full rates of retired-pay, to serve for a time in the Militia.]

1. COMMISSIONS in the cavalry and infantry of the line will be granted to officers (who are *bonâ fide* colonists) of the local military Forces of certain colonies, and to students from colonial universities, under the conditions hereinafter prescribed.

OFFICERS OF COLONIAL LOCAL MILITARY FORCES.

2. Until further notice two army commissions will be allotted to each of the under-mentioned colonies annually: New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, New Zealand, Victoria, Cape of Good Hope. Six will be allotted annually to Canada, one biennially to Natal, one annually to Tasmania, and two every three years to the Royal Malta Regiment of Militia.

In the event of the number of candidates nominated by the Governor in a colony at any time exceeding the allotted number of commissions, the selection will be decided by competition in the military portion of the prescribed examination.

3. An officer of the colonial military Forces who is a candidate for a commission in the British army will be required—

- (a.) To be unmarried, and to be between the ages of eighteen and twenty-two on the 1st January of the year in which he is allowed to present himself for the examination in military subjects;
- (b.) To have served as an officer in the local military Force of the colony from which he is nominated, and to have attended two annual trainings, each training to be in a distinct year, or have seen active service in the field.

Literary Examination.*

4. Subject to the exceptions stated in paragraph 5, a candidate will be required, before being permitted to present himself for examination in military subjects, to undergo a qualifying literary examination by the Civil Service Commissioners in the following subjects:—

Class I.	Marks.
Mathematics I.	3,000
Latin	2,000
French or German	2,000
English composition	1,000
Geometrical drawing	1,000
Freehand drawing	500
Geography	500
Class II.	Marks.
Mathematics II.	2,000
Mathematics III.	2,000
German or French	2,000
Greek	2,000
English history	2,000
Chemistry and heat	2,000
Physics	2,000
Physiography and geology	2,000

All the subjects of Class I. may be taken up. Only two of the subjects of Class II. may be taken up, and if one of these subjects be a modern language it must be different from the modern language selected in Class I.

Candidates must obtain such an aggregate of marks in the examination as a whole as may indicate, in the judgment of the Civil Service Commissioners, a competent amount of general proficiency.

5. The candidate will be exempted from the literary examination, except in geometrical drawing, if he can produce a certificate from the proper university authority that he has (a) taken his degree in arts or science; or (b) has passed the examination for the degree of B.A. or M.A. at one of the following universities—Oxford, Cambridge, Dublin, Durham, London, St. Andrews, Glasgow, Aberdeen, the Royal University (Ireland), Victoria University (Manchester), Edinburgh;

* See syllabus in Appendix II.

or for the degree of B.Sc. at the Universities of Edinburgh, St. Andrews, Glasgow, or Aberdeen; or (c) has passed the examination specified below at any of the following universities: Oxford, the "First Public Examination"; Cambridge, one of the parts of the "General Examination," or Part I. of any "Tripos Examination"; Dublin, the "Final Examination of the Senior Freshman Year," or the "Final Examination of the School of Engineering";* Durham, the "First Year's Examinations"; London, the Intermediate Examinations in Arts, Law, Science, or Medicine; Scotch universities, the "Examination of Candidates for the Army"; the Royal University (Ireland), "The Second University Examination in Arts, or the Second Professional Examination in Engineering"; Victoria University (Manchester), the Intermediate Examination; or if he has passed some other test which is accepted by the university as exempting from the above examinations. A certificate that the examination is accepted by the authorities concerned must be produced.

An equivalent examination at the University of Malta, or one of the chartered colonial universities, will likewise be accepted as a sufficient ground for exemption.

6. The literary examination will take place in June and in November in each year.

7. A candidate who is desirous of attending one of these examinations must apply to his commanding officer, at such date as will allow of the Governor forwarding the application so as to reach the War Office not later than the 1st April or 1st September, for the June and November examinations respectively. The Governor, in forwarding the application, will certify that the candidate is, having regard to the maximum limit laid down in paragraph 3, (a), eligible in point of age, and that he will be prepared, when necessary, to recommend him in the manner prescribed in paragraph 8. Not more than three trials at these examinations will be allowed.

8. The Governor of the colony will notify to the War Office, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, each year, the names of any duly qualified candidates he is desirous of nominating for examination in military subjects.

This notification must reach the War Office by the 1st July, and should be accompanied by—

- (a.) An extract from the register of the candidate's birth; or, in default, a certificate of his baptism or other documentary evidence, accompanied by a declaration made by one of his parents or guardians before a Magistrate, giving his exact age.
- (b.) A certificate of having served the required number of annual trainings (each training in a distinct year).
- (c.) A certificate from the Governor that he is satisfied that the candidate is actually a colonist, that he is of good moral character, and in all other respects a fit and proper person to hold a commission in Her Majesty's army.
- (d.) A certificate that the candidate has passed the examination described in paragraph 4, or a university certificate as prescribed in paragraph 5.

STUDENTS OF COLONIAL UNIVERSITIES.

9. A commission will be granted under these regulations to one student annually of the University of Malta, and of each of the chartered universities in colonies not having a military college through which commissions in the army may be obtained.

10. The candidate must be unmarried, and must be within the ages of eighteen and twenty-two on the 1st January of the year in which he is allowed to present himself for the examination in military subjects.

11. The literary examination of students of the chartered colonial universities will be conducted entirely by those universities. Geometrical drawing will be an obligatory subject of such examination.

12. The name of the candidate selected for nomination must be forwarded so as to reach the War Office on the 1st July, and should be accompanied by—

- (a.) A certificate that the candidate is a British-born or naturalised British subject.
- (b.) An extract from the register of the candidate's birth; or, in default, a certificate of his baptism or other documentary evidence, accompanied by a declaration made by one of his parents or guardians before a Magistrate, giving his exact age.
- (c.) A certificate of good moral character, for the four years immediately preceding the date of application, from the heads of all schools, colleges, or other educational establishments at which the candidate has been educated during the period; or, if such a certificate cannot be produced, a statement showing the reason for the omission, together with some other satisfactory proof of good moral conduct.

* This examination will also exempt from geometrical drawing.

(d.) A certificate from the head of the college that the candidate has passed the required university examination, including geometrical drawing.

*Examination in Military Subjects.**

13. An examination in military subjects of candidates nominated under paragraphs 8 and 12, who have previously passed the literary examination, will be held in September in each year. The subjects, and the maximum marks obtainable in each subject, will be as follows:—

	Marks.
1. Military engineering	2,000
2. Military history	4,000
3. Military topography	2,000

In order to qualify for a commission, a candidate will be required to obtain one-third of the marks in each subject, and half of the aggregate. Not more than three trials will be allowed at these examinations.

14. A candidate will be required to undergo an inspection by a Medical Board, to be convened by the Governor of the colony or other proper authority, and will not be allowed to proceed with his examination unless recommended by this Board to be physically fit for Her Majesty's service.

The general conditions as to height, weight, chest-measurement, eyesight, &c., required, are given in Appendix I. The Board have, however, discretionary power to recommend a candidate slightly below one or other of these conditions in a case in which they are satisfied that he will fulfil them within six months. No relaxation, however, of the eyesight qualification will ever be allowed.

The recommendations of the Board will in all cases be absolutely final.

15. It is suggested that a candidate before commencing his course of study should undergo a thorough medical examination. By such an examination any serious physical disqualification would be revealed, and the candidate probably spared expense and the mortification of rejection.

16. Candidates may undergo a preliminary examination by a military Medical Board, not more than two years before they compete, under the following conditions:—

- (a.) Applications must be addressed to the Governor of the colony, accompanied by a fee of two guineas.
- (b.) Instructions will be issued for the examination to take place at the military station where a Medical Board can be held nearest the candidate's residence. The result will be notified to candidates by the Board.
- (c.) Candidates must pay their travelling-expenses.
- (d.) Candidates found unfit by the preliminary Board are not bound to accept its finding, but may, at their own risk, continue their studies, and, if successful at the competitive examination, may then submit themselves for medical examination by the final Medical Board.
- (e.) It must be distinctly understood that passing such preliminary Medical Board is solely for the candidate's information, and would give him no sort of claim to be accepted as physically fit when he presents himself as a candidate. His acceptance will depend entirely upon the report of the final Medical Board. Candidates may be fit for the service at the preliminary examination, but may become disqualified by some subsequent physical deterioration.

APPENDIX I.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY.

I. A candidate for a commission in Her Majesty's army must be in good mental and bodily health, and free from any physical defect likely to interfere with the efficient performance of military duty, and it should be stated whether he is of pure European descent.

II. The examination will be conducted by a Board of medical officers.

III. The attention of the Board will be directed to the following points:—

(a.) That the correlation of age, height, weight, and chest-girth is equal or superior to that which is given in the following table:—

Physical Equivalents.

Age Last Birth-day.	Height without Shoes.	Weight without Clothes.	Chest-girth.
	In.	Lb.	In.
16	64	120	33
17	64½	125	33
18	65	130	33
19	65	132	33
20	65	135	33½
21	65	138	34
22	65	140	34

* See syllabus in Appendix II.

(b.) Measurement of height:—

The candidate will be placed against the standard with his feet together, and the weight thrown on the heels, and not on the toes or outside of the feet. He will stand erect without rigidity, and with the heels, calves, buttocks, and shoulders touching the standard; the chin will be depressed to bring the vertex of the head level under the horizontal bar, and the height will be noted in parts of an inch to eighths.

(c.) Measurement of chest:—

The candidate will be made to stand erect with his feet together, and to raise his hands above his head. The tape will be carefully adjusted round the chest, with its posterior upper edge touching the inferior angles of the shoulder-blades, and its anterior lower edge the upper part of the nipples. The arms will then be lowered to hang loosely by the side, and care will be taken that the shoulders are not thrown upwards or backwards so as to displace the tape. The candidate will then be directed to empty his chest of air as much as is possible. This is best done by continuous whistling with the lips as long as sound can be produced. The tape is carefully gathered in during the process, and when the minimum measurement is reached it is recorded.

He will then be directed to inflate his chest to its utmost capacity. This maximum measurement will likewise be recorded. The mean of the two measurements will be considered as the true chest-measurement.

(d.) Eyesight:—

The regulations regarding the examination of eyesight are as follows:—

1. If a candidate can read D=6 at 6 metres (20 English feet), and D = 0.6 at any distance selected by himself, with each eye without glasses, he will be considered *fit*.

2. If a candidate can only read D = 24 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with each eye without glasses, his visual deficiency being due to faulty refraction, which can be corrected by glasses which enable him to read D = 6 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with one eye, and D = 12 at the same distance with the other eye, and can also read D = 0.8 with each eye without glasses, at any distance selected by himself, he will be considered *fit*.

3. If a candidate cannot read D = 24 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with each eye without glasses, notwithstanding he can read D = 0.6, he will be considered *unfit*.

(N.B.—Snellen's test-types will be used for determining the acuteness of vision.)

Squint, inability to distinguish the principal colours, or any morbid conditions subject to the risk of aggravation or recurrence, in either eye, will cause the rejection of a candidate.

IV. The following additional points will then be observed:—

- (a.) That his hearing is good.
- (b.) That his speech is without impediment.
- (c.) That his teeth are in good order. Loss or decay of ten teeth will be considered a disqualification. Decayed teeth, if well filled, will be considered as sound.
- (d.) That his chest is well formed, and that his lungs and heart are sound.
- (e.) That he is not ruptured.
- (f.) That he does not suffer from hydrocele, varicocele, varicose veins in a severe degree, or other disease likely to cause inefficiency. A slight defect, if successfully cured by operation, is not a disqualification.
- (g.) That his limbs are well formed and developed.
- (h.) That there is free and perfect motion of all the joints.
- (i.) That his feet and toes are well formed.
- (j.) That he does not suffer from any inveterate skin-disease.
- (k.) That he has no congenital malformation or defect.
- (l.) That he does not bear traces of previous acute or chronic disease pointing to an impaired constitution.

APPENDIX II.

SYLLABUS OF SUBJECTS FOR THE LITERARY EXAMINATIONS.

Mathematics I.—Arithmetic; algebra, up to and including the binomial theorem; the theory and use of logarithms; Euclid, Books I. to IV. and VI.; plane trigonometry, up to and including solution of triangles; mensuration.

Mathematics II.—Further questions on the syllabus of Mathematics I.; elementary solid geometry, including Euclid, Book XI., Propositions 1 to 21, and Book XII., Propositions 1 and 2; geometrical conic sections, the elementary properties common to the ellipse, parabola, and hyperbola; dynamics and statics, uniform and uniformly accelerated rectilinear motion, uniform circular motion, motion of projectiles (not requiring a knowledge of the parabola), equilibrium of forces in one plane and of parallel forces, the centre of mass, and the construction and use of the simpler machines.

Mathematics III.—Geometrical conic sections; analytical geometry, the straight line, circle, and conic sections, referred to Cartesian co-ordinates; dynamics and statics, so far as they may be studied without the aid of the differential calculus.

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

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

French.—Translation of unseen passages from French into English and from English into French. The passages for translation will be taken mainly from standard authors, and a few simple questions may be asked on the passages set as to the structure and character of the language, and allusions of obvious and general interest. The *viva voce* examination will include dictation. 300 marks will be allotted to colloquial knowledge of the language.

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

English Composition.—Candidates will be tested by *précis*-writing as well as by an essay. The standard of positive merit will be looked for in logical arrangement of thought, and in accuracy and propriety of expression, but large deductions of marks will be made for faults of writing and spelling. (Candidates are also warned that, for similar faults in the use of the English language, similar deductions will be made from the marks obtained in other subjects.)

Geometrical Drawing.—Practical plane geometry; the construction of scales; and the elements of solid geometry, and of simple orthographic projection. Great importance will be attached to neatness and exactness of drawing.

Geography.—Simple questions in descriptive and general geography.

English History.—The general paper in this subject will be confined to events subsequent to the Norman Conquest. It will test whether the candidates are accurately acquainted with the facts of English history, and also possess an intelligent knowledge of the meaning of the facts.

The paper on the special period will be confined to distinctly modern history. It will require from the candidates more minute knowledge than the general paper.

Natural Science Subjects.—The standard of examination in these subjects will be such as may reasonably be expected from the education given at schools possessing appliances for practical instruction, such as a laboratory, &c. A considerable portion of the marks will be given for proficiency shown in the practical parts of the examination. A knowledge of the metric system will be expected.

Chemistry.—The laws of chemical combination and decomposition, and the preparation, classification, and properties of the principal metallic and non-metallic elements, and of such of their compounds as are treated of in inorganic chemistry. In the practical part of the examination only the more ordinary apparatus and the less dangerous reagents will be supplied, and no candidate will be allowed to bring his own apparatus or reagents.

Heat.—The elementary portion of the subject.

Physics.—The elementary properties of electricity, magnetism, light, and sound.

Physiography—i.e., *Physical Geography*.

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

SYLLABUS OF SUBJECTS FOR THE MILITARY EXAMINATION.

Military Engineering.—Chapters I. to VIII., inclusive of Phillips's Text-book on Fortification.

Military History.—Parts I., II., and III. of Hamley's Operations of War.

Military Topography.—Chapters I. to XIV., inclusive, of Part I., Text-book of Military Topography.

APPENDIX III.

FIRST APPOINTMENTS TO LINE REGIMENTS.

The appointment of qualified candidates to particular regiments of the line will be made on the following principles:—

1. A candidate having a special family or territorial connection with a regiment may, when fully qualified for a commission, apply to the Military Secretary to be appointed to that regiment, and such consideration as can be afforded will be given to his application. If approved, and if the interests of the service admit of it, he will be permitted to wait six months for an opportunity of being appointed to the regiment he applies for, but must understand that by so doing he loses army seniority.

2. If desirous of thus waiting, he must state this when making application for a regiment. After a candidate has once been gazetted on first appointment, no application for a transfer will be entertained, save under the most exceptional circumstances.

3. Candidates without special claims are at liberty to apply for particular regiments (not exceeding two in all), but will in no case be allowed to wait.

4. Where the claims of different candidates for the same regiment are evenly balanced, the first consideration will be given to those highest on the list in their final examination.

5. All candidates must clearly understand that, while their wishes will be met as far as possible, they will be posted to vacancies as demanded by the interests of the service.

[D. 99/4171.]

Regulations respecting Admission to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, and for First Appointments therefrom to the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1899.

THE following regulations respecting admission to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, are published for general information. T. THOMPSON.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING ADMISSION TO THE ROYAL MILITARY ACADEMY, WOOLWICH.—1899.

[N.B.—Officers appointed to commissions in the army may, in case of voluntary retirement from the army, be called upon, as a condition of receiving the full rates of retired-pay, to serve for a time in the Militia.]

I. THE ROYAL MILITARY ACADEMY.

1. The Royal Military Academy is maintained for the purpose of affording a special military education to candidates for commissions in the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers. Candidates must be unmarried, and will not be accepted unless they are, in the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief, in all respects suitable to hold a commission in the army. Any further information required, as to the examination and preliminary arrangements, may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Westminster, S.W.

II. REGULATIONS FOR ADMISSION.

General Instructions.

2. Admission to the Royal Military Academy as cadets or Queen's cadets will be granted to the successful candidates at an open competitive examination.

3. The number of cadets admitted to the Academy will vary according to the requirements of the service, and notice will be given from time to time of the number of vacancies open to competition. Such notice will usually be published about three months before the examination.

4. The dates of admission will be the Wednesday of the week in which the 27th January or the 11th August falls in each year.

5. The examinations of candidates for admission to the Academy will be conducted by the Civil Service Commissioners as hereinafter specified. The examinations will be held in London, and at such other centres as the Commissioners may appoint. The fee for the examination in London will be £2, at any other centre £3.

6. The number of trials allowed will not exceed three.

7. The limits of age for admission to the Academy will be from sixteen to eighteen. Candidates must be within those limits of age on the 1st July for the summer examination, and on the 1st December for the winter examination.

III. EXAMINATIONS.

8. The examinations will be held half-yearly, and will commence in June and November; due notice will be given of the dates of the examinations, and every candidate for those examinations must obtain the necessary forms. These will be furnished on application by letter, addressed to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Westminster, S.W., and will include a form of application for permission to attend the examination, a "Form A," and a "Form of Particulars" required by the War Office.

These forms must be filled up in the candidate's own handwriting, and must be received by the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission not later than the 1st April or 1st September respectively. No form of application received after that date will be accepted unless accompanied by an explanation satisfactory to the Civil Service Commissioners, and no form received after the 1st May or 1st October can be accepted under any circumstances.

The forms should be accompanied by the following papers:—

(a.) An extract from the register of the candidate's birth; or, in default, a certificate of his baptism or other documentary evidence, accompanied by a declaration made by one of his parents or guardians before a Magistrate, giving his exact age.

(b.) If the candidate holds a commission in the Militia, a recommendation from the commanding officer of the regiment.

Certificates of moral character need not be forwarded, but every candidate will be required to name, on Form A, two responsible referees, well acquainted with him during the four years of his life immediately preceding the date of application.

9. The subjects of the examination,* and the maximum number of marks obtainable for each subject, will be as follows:—

Class I.		Marks.
Mathematics I. . . . .	.. .. .	3,000
Mathematics II. . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
Latin . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
French or German . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
Chemistry and heat . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
English composition . . . . .	.. .. .	1,000
Geometrical drawing . . . . .	.. .. .	1,000
Freehand drawing . . . . .	.. .. .	500
Geography . . . . .	.. .. .	500
Class II.		
Mathematics III. . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
German or French . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
Greek . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
English history . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
Physics . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
Physiography and geology . . . . .	.. .. .	2,000

All the subjects of Class I. may be taken up. Only one of the subjects of Class II. may be taken up, and if this subject be a modern language, it must be different from the modern language selected in Class I.

Candidates must qualify in the aggregate of marks for Mathematics I. and II., and obtain such an aggregate of marks in the examination as a whole as may indicate, in the judgment of the Civil Service Commissioners, a competent amount of general proficiency.

10. The number of marks allowed to each candidate in the several subjects in which he has been examined will be summed up, and the resulting total will determine the place of the candidate in the competitive list; the successful candidates being those who stand at the head of the list up to the number of cadetships competed for.

IV. MEDICAL INSPECTION.

11. The successful candidates will be examined by a Medical Board in London, and no candidate will be accepted unless recommended by this Board as physically fit for Her Majesty's service.

The general conditions as to height, weight, chest-measurement, eyesight, &c., required, are given in Appendix I. The Board have, however, discretionary power to recommend a candidate slightly below one or other of these conditions in a case in which they are satisfied that he will fulfil them before the time comes for him to join the service. Such candidates will not be granted a commission at the completion of their course of instruction if they fail to attain the standard given in Appendix I. No relaxation, however, of the eyesight qualification will ever be allowed.

The recommendations of the Board will in all cases be absolutely final.

V. PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

12. It is suggested that a candidate, before commencing his course of study, should undergo a thorough medical examination. By such an examination any serious physical disqualification would be revealed, and the candidate probably spared expense and the mortification of rejection.

13. Candidates may undergo a preliminary examination by a military Medical Board, not more than two years before they compete, under the following conditions:—

- (a.) Applications must be addressed to the Under-Secretary of State, War Office, Pall Mall, London, accompanied by a fee of two guineas. (Cheques, &c., should be made payable to the Director-General, Army Medical Service.)
- (b.) Instructions will be issued for the examination to take place at the military station where a Medical Board can be held nearest the candidate's residence. The result will be notified to candidates by the Board.
- (c.) Candidates must pay their travelling-expenses.
- (d.) Candidates found unfit by the preliminary Medical Board are not bound to accept its finding, but may, at their own risk, continue their studies, and if successful at the competitive examination may then submit themselves for medical examination by the final Medical Board.
- (e.) It must be distinctly understood that passing such preliminary Medical Board is solely for the candidate's information, and would give him no sort

of claim to be accepted as physically fit when he presents himself as a candidate. His acceptance will depend entirely upon the report of the final Medical Board which examines in London candidates successful in the competitive examination. Candidates may be fit for the service at the preliminary examination, but may become disqualified by some subsequent physical deterioration.

VI. QUEEN'S CADETS.

14. (a.) Queen's cadets will be appointed by the Secretary of State for War, on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief or First Lord of the Admiralty, from sons of officers of the army, Royal navy, Royal marines, and Permanent Colonial Military Forces or irregular troops, when acting with or in support of the Regular Forces in the field, who have fallen in action, or have died of wounds received in action, or of disease contracted on service abroad, and who have left their families in reduced circumstances. Queen's cadets will be granted an educational allowance of £40 a year, tenable between the ages of thirteen and seventeen.

(b.) Sons of officers who have retired by the sale of their commissions, or who have surrendered their half-pay, are ineligible for Queen's cadetships.

(c.) Queen's cadets must be successful at the open competitive examinations mentioned in paragraph 2 in order to obtain admission to the Academy.

15. Applications for Queen's cadetships should be addressed to the Under-Secretary of State, War Office, if the candidate is the son of an officer of the army, or to the Secretary of the Admiralty if the candidate is the son of an officer of the Royal navy or Royal marines.

16. Queen's cadets, when ready for examination, will apply in the manner directed by paragraph 8.

VII. TERMS OF PAYMENT.

17. The terms of payment for cadets are regulated by the following articles of the Royal Warrant for Pay, &c.:—

“673. The amount to be contributed on behalf of a cadet while at our Royal Military Academy, or our Royal Military College, shall depend on the position held by his father (whether living or deceased) as an officer of our Regular Forces; of the permanent staff of our Militia, Yeomanry, or Volunteers; of our departments as laid down in Articles 314 to 320; of our navy; of our Indian Military or Naval Forces; or of our Permanent Colonial Forces, whether naval or military, if exclusively employed as such.

“674. The amount referred to in Article 673 shall be payable half-yearly in advance at the following yearly rates:—

	Yearly. £
“The son of—	
(a.) An officer on the Active List below the substantive rank* (as regards combatant officers) or the rank† (as regards departmental officers) of lieutenant-colonel in the army, and captain or commander in the navy	40
A retired officer who last served in a rank‡ below the above rank, and retired with not less than twenty years' service; † or on account of age or non-employment; or on account of ill-health caused by the service; or on reduction of establishment	40
An instructor at our Staff College, Ordnance College, Royal Military Academy, or Royal Military College	60
(b.) An officer on the Active List with the substantive rank* (as regards combatant officers) or the rank† (as regards departmental officers) of lieutenant-colonel or colonel in the army, or a captain or commander in the navy	60
A retired officer who last served in the above rank, and retired as stated in paragraph (a)	60
A professor at our Staff College, Ordnance College, Royal Military Academy, or Royal Military College	70
(c.) A major-general or lieutenant-general	70
A rear-admiral or vice-admiral	70
(d.) A general	80
An admiral	80
(e.) A private gentleman	150
An officer retired from our army or navy and not coming under any of the previous categories	150
(f.) For a Queen's cadet	Nil.
(g.) For an Indian cadet: By special arrangement with the India Office. This applies only to our Royal Military College.	Nil.

* As defined in Article 1315.
† As defined in Article 1314.
‡ As laid down in Article 500.

* See syllabus in Appendix II.

- (h.) For the son of an officer who has died on full pay, half-pay, or retired-pay or pension, and whose family has been left in pecuniary distress (subject to the approval of our Secretary of State) .. 20
- (i.) For the sons of all other deceased officers, of whatever rank, whose widows are, or would have been, if living, eligible for pension 40

"675. If the father of a cadet is promoted, or retires, the rate of contribution shall be altered accordingly.

"676. If a cadet is absent a whole term in consequence of rustication, a payment of £10 shall be required for the privilege of his name being kept on the rolls of the establishment, and for a vacancy being kept open at the commencement of the next term; except in the case of an orphan whose annual contribution is only £20, when the amounts to be paid under such circumstances shall be determined by our Secretary of State.

"677. An allowance of 3s. a day, in aid of the expenses of uniform, messing, washing, and other contingencies, will be admitted as a charge against the public for each cadet as long as he is borne on the books of our Royal Military Academy, or Royal Military College. All other necessary expenses which cannot be covered by this allowance shall be chargeable to the parent or guardian of a cadet in addition to the regulated contribution.

"678. If a cadet is absent from sickness during a portion of the term, his allowance shall continue to be issued and credited to his account; but no refund of the contribution shall be permitted except under the special authority of our Secretary of State, and if such authority is given the allowance for the period of such refund shall cease.

"679. If a cadet is rusticated or removed during a term, his daily allowance shall cease from the date of such rustication or removal, and the contribution made for the half-year shall be forfeited, unless otherwise decided by our Secretary of State."

18. Each cadet, other than a Queen's cadet, on first joining, will be required to pay, in addition to the regulated contribution, a sum of £35 towards covering the expense of uniform, books, &c., and to bring with him the articles of clothing of which he will receive notice, and which must afterwards be kept up at his own expense. He will also be required to pay the regulated contribution in advance for each half-year of the time during which he remains under instruction.

VIII. GOVERNMENT AND ORGANIZATION.

19. The Commander-in-Chief is the President of the Royal Military Academy.

20. An independent inspection will be made annually by a Board of Visitors, appointed by the Secretary of State for War, and reporting to him. Such Visitors will not be a permanent body, but will not be all changed at the same time. The report of this Board will be presented to Parliament.

21. The Academy will be under the control of a military officer, styled Governor and Commandant, appointed by and responsible to the Secretary of State for War, through the Commander-in-Chief.

22. The Governor will be assisted by a staff officer styled Assistant-Commander and Secretary, who will command the cadet company and have the custody of the records and correspondence of the Academy, and will give the Governor such assistance as he may require.

23. The organization will be on a military basis.

24. The Governor will be assisted in the arrangement of the studies by a Board, composed of the Assistant-Commandant and the professors or senior instructors of the different branches. The head of each branch will have the supervision and inspection of the studies in his department, and will report on them to the Governor.

25. The Governor will from time to time assemble and confer with all the professors and instructors of each separate branch on matters relating to it.

IX. DISCIPLINE.

26. The gentlemen cadets are subject to such rules and regulations as are, or may be, from time to time established for the maintenance of good order and discipline at the Academy.

27. The Governor has the power of rustication, and also of sentencing a cadet for misconduct to lose places in the list of successful candidates for commissions. In such cases the circumstances will be reported by the Governor to the Commander-in-Chief.

28. In cases requiring more serious notice, cadets will be liable, on the report of the Governor to the Secretary of State for War through the Commander-in-Chief, to be removed or expelled.

29. A cadet will be removed from the Royal Military Academy for serious misconduct or for moral or physical unfitness. (See also paragraph 53.)

30. The name of any cadet expelled will be recorded in the War Office, and will be made known to the First Lord of the Admiralty, the Secretary of State for India, and the Civil Service Commissioners, in order to prevent the admission of the cadet into Her Majesty's Naval, Military, Indian, or Civil Service.

31. The cadets will form a company, consisting of three divisions, under the Assistant-Commandant, who will be assisted by an officer performing the duties of adjutant and quartermaster, and by three lieutenants of divisions charged with the discipline out of studies and the drills. The officers will reside in the Academy. The officers in charge of divisions will exercise a strict superintendence over their divisions, for which they will be responsible to the Assistant-Commandant.

32. During study the cadets will be under the professors and instructors, whose instructions they will obey implicitly. Professors and instructors will bring to the notice of the Assistant-Commandant all cases of misconduct or irregularity.

33. All communications between a cadet and the Assistant-Commandant for the Governor will be made through the officer of his division.

34. Cadets will salute all officers in uniform, and the officers, professors, and instructors of the Academy at all times.

35. The adjutant, officers of divisions, professors, and instructors will have certain limited powers of punishment, at the discretion of the Governor, reporting all punishments which they may inflict to the Assistant-Commandant.

36. Officers, professors, and instructors will not be permitted to give private instructions on payment to cadets, either during the vacation or at any other time, nor to prepare candidates for admission to the Academy.

37. No person belonging to the Academy is to receive a present from any cadet, or from the relations or friends of any cadet. Any non-commissioned officer or employé discovered accepting a present will be liable to be removed or discharged, and the cadet giving it punished for disobedience of orders.

38. Cadets are required to appear at all times in uniform, except when on leave, or when otherwise exempted by the Governor.

39. A sword will be given at each final examination as a special reward to the most deserving cadet of his term.

X. COURSE OF INSTRUCTION.

40. The length of the course of instruction will be two years, divided into four terms.

The Academy terms will be—

First Term: From the Wednesday of the week in which the 27th January falls to the 22nd June, with a vacation of about seven days at Easter.

Second Term: From the Wednesday of the week in which the 11th August falls to the 22nd December.

The intermediate periods will constitute vacations.

41. The course of study will be partly obligatory and partly voluntary. The subjects which form the ordinary course of obligatory studies in each class, with the marks assigned to them, and the voluntary subjects which every cadet will be allowed at his option to take up in each class, are given in the following tables:—

First Class.

Subject.	Marks.					
	Obligatory.				Voluntary.	
	Examiner.	Intermediate Examination.	Plates.	Total.	Examiner.	Total Obligatory and Voluntary.
Mathematics ..	1,000	200	100	1,300	250	1,550
Military engineering ..	450	50	100	600	..	600
Practical geometry ..	250	50	100	400	..	400
Military topography ..	300	50	150	500	..	500
Freehand drawing ..	120	30	..	150	..	150
Chemistry ..	900	100	..	1,000	..	1,000
French or German ..	350	50	..	400	..	400
Gymnastics ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Infantry drill ..	..	100	..	100	..	100
Engineer exercises ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Swimming ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil

Subject.	Marks.					
	Obligatory.				Voluntary.	Total Obligatory and Voluntary.
	Examiner.	Intermediate Examination.	Plates.	Total.	Examiner.	
<i>Second Class.</i>						
Mathematics ..	1,000	200	100	1,300	550	1,850
Artillery ..	300	100	..	400	..	400
Military engineering ..	450	50	100	600	..	600
Practical geometry ..	250	50	100	400	..	400
Military topography ..	500	50	150	700	..	700
Freehand drawing ..	120	30	..	150	..	150
French or German ..	750	50	..	800	..	800
Electricity and magnetism ..	250	30	20	300	..	300
Gymnastics ..	100	..	..	100	..	100
Riding ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Infantry drill ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Field Artillery drill ..	..	100	..	100	..	100
Engineer exercises ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Infantry sword-drill ..	..	50	..	50	..	50
Swimming ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Workshops ..	..	..	..	..	200	200
<i>Third Class.</i>						
Mathematics ..	500	100	100	700	700*	1,400
Artillery ..	750	50	..	800	..	800
Military engineering ..	500	50	200	750	..	750
Practical geometry ..	..	..	..	..	250	250
Military topography ..	500	50	250	800	..	800
Freehand drawing ..	260	40	..	300	..	300
Tactics ..	450	150	..	600	..	600
French or German ..	1,100	100	..	1,200	..	1,200
Electricity and magnetism ..	700	100	100	900	..	900
Riding ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Infantry drill ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Artillery exercises ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Engineer exercises ..	..	100	..	100	..	100
Cavalry sword-exercise ..	..	100	..	100	..	100
Revolvers-practice ..	..	100	..	100	..	100
Swimming ..	Nil	..	..	..	..	Nil
Workshops ..	..	..	..	..	300	300
<i>Fourth Class.</i>						
Mathematics ..	600	100	..	700	1,000*	1,700
Artillery ..	1,050	150	..	1,200	..	1,200
Military engineering ..	500	50	200	750	..	750
Practical geometry ..	..	..	..	..	250	250
Military topography ..	600	50	350	1,000	..	1,000
Tactics ..	750	150	..	900	..	900
Electricity and magnetism ..	700	100	100	900	300	1,200
Artillery drills and exercises ..	..	100	..	100	..	100
Infantry drill ..	..	50	..	50	..	50
Riding ..	250	150	..	400	..	400
Gymnastics ..	200	..	..	200	..	200
Swimming ..	..	100	..	100	..	100

42. A cadet will not be allowed to take up the higher or voluntary section of a subject, for study or examination, unless the professor of the subject reports that the cadet is practically certain to qualify in the ordinary obligatory sections of the subject, and is sufficiently advanced to profit by instruction in the higher sections.

A cadet will not be allowed to take up the higher or voluntary section of a subject after mid-term, except in practical geometry, which may be taken up not later than four weeks before the examination.

A higher section once taken up cannot be dropped during the term without the permission of the Governor.

43. The language to be studied by a cadet must be that in which he possesses such proficiency as will enable him to benefit by the advanced instruction given to the class.

XI. EXAMINATIONS.

44. In order to insure due diligence during the whole period of residence there will be examinations at the end of each term, conducted by independent examiners, and intermediate examinations conducted by the Royal Military Academy staff.

* Including 100 marks for intermediate examination.

The term examination, in the second class, will cover the first and second classes course, and that in the fourth class the third and fourth classes course.

45. For class promotion a cadet will be required to obtain at the term examinations the qualifying minimum of marks in the obligatory sections of each subject (paragraph 48), and 0.5 of the total number of marks allotted to the whole obligatory course of the term.

46. To qualify for a commission a cadet must be in the fourth class, and must obtain at the final examination the qualifying minimum of marks in the obligatory sections of each subject, and 0.5 of the total number of marks allotted to the obligatory course of that class. He must also obtain 0.5 of the sum of the marks allotted to the whole of the obligatory course of the first, second, third, and fourth classes.

47. Cadets of the fourth class, who have completed their course satisfactorily and are reported as duly qualified in all respects, will be gazetted to commissions as second lieutenants in the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers.

Choice of corps, as far as vacancies will permit, will be allowed according to order of precedence for commission.

48. The qualifying minimum of marks required at the term and final examinations in the obligatory sections of each subject is—

	Marks.
Of the aggregate of marks allotted to the whole obligatory course ..	0.5
Mathematics and mechanics, artillery, military engineering, military topography, tactics, electricity and magnetism, French or German ..	0.4
Practical geometry, chemistry ..	0.33
Freehand drawing ..	0.25
Riding, gymnastics, drills, swimming ..	0.33

To count marks in an obligatory or in a voluntary subject at least 0.25 of the total marks for that subject must be obtained in the examination at the end of each term.

49. Order of precedence for promotion from the first, second, and third classes will be determined upon the aggregate of marks gained for the entire course, obligatory and voluntary, of those classes.

Order of precedence for commission will be determined upon the aggregate of marks gained for the entire course, obligatory and voluntary, of the first, second, third, and fourth classes.

Cadets who obtain 0.8 of the marks at the final examination in any subject will be noted as "distinguished" in that subject.

The detail of the marks allotted to each subject at each examination is given in the syllabus.

50. Cases of cadets who are prevented by sudden illness or other unavoidable cause from undergoing an examination, or executing drawings or surveys upon which class promotion or commission depend, will be specially referred for decision to the Secretary of State for War, through the Commander-in-Chief.

51. A cadet who fails to pass at any examination will forfeit all claim to choice of corps, and be warned that if he fails at the next examination he will be removed from the Academy.

A cadet who fails to pass at the examination at the end of his fourth term of residence will be allowed to rejoin the Academy; but no cadet will be permitted to reside more than five terms at the Academy.

A cadet who fails at the end of his fifth term of residence will be disqualified for a commission in the army.

A cadet who may lose a term through illness, failure at examination, or otherwise, will not be allowed to count any marks for the term which he loses.

52. A cadet guilty of copying, assisting another, or using unfair means at any examination will forfeit his examination and be rusticated for one term, or may, according to circumstances, be more severely dealt with.

53. A cadet will be removed from the Royal Military Academy on the following grounds:—

- (1.) If he fails to pass at two consecutive examinations.
- (2.) If he fails to acquire sufficient proficiency in military exercises—viz., drill, gymnastics, and riding.
- (3.) Unsatisfactory progress in his studies.

No exception to the above rule will be granted on account of absence from any cause excepting illness. Cases of protracted absence on account of illness will be specially referred for decision to the Secretary of State for War, through the Commander-in-Chief.

54. A cadet who drops behind the class in which he originally joined the Academy will forfeit all claim to prizes, to the Queen Victoria Medal, to the Pollock Medal, and to the Tombs Memorial Scholarship.

The case of a cadet who drops behind, owing to illness unavoidable on his part, will be specially considered, but with regard to choice of corps only; such a case must be reported upon by military medical officers, and not by private medical practitioners.

55. Prizes will be awarded as follows:—

At the end of the course of each subject—

To the cadet who has obtained the highest number of marks in mathematics and mechanics, artillery, military engineering, practical geometry, military topography, tactics, electricity and magnetism, chemistry and physics, French, German, freehand drawing, riding, gymnastics, artillery drills and exercises, infantry drill, workshops.

After the final examination—

The Queen Victoria Medal to the cadet who, on completing his course, has obtained the highest total marks in "military engineering," "military topography," "artillery," "tactics," "riding," and "gymnastics."

The Pollock Medal to the cadet who shall, after the final examination, be found to have obtained the highest marks on the whole course, including voluntary subjects.

The Tombs Memorial Scholarship to the senior cadet who enters the Royal Artillery.

APPENDIX I.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY.

I. A candidate for a commission in Her Majesty's army must be in good mental and bodily health, and free from any physical defect likely to interfere with the efficient performance of military duty, and it should be stated whether he is of pure European descent.

II. The examination will be conducted by a Board of Medical Officers. The Principal Medical Officer, Home District, will be President; the Assistant Professor of Clinical and Military Surgery, Army Medical School, Netley; the Surgeon, Royal Military Academy, Woolwich; and the Surgeon, Royal Military College, Sandhurst, may be members of the Board *ex officio*. The other members will be composed of officers of a rank not lower than major, Royal Army Medical Corps, and in their selection due regard should be given to their possession of special qualifications for the duty.

III. The attention of the Board will be directed to the following points:—

(a.) That the correlation of age, height, weight, and chest-girth is equal or superior to that which is given in the following table:—

Physical Equivalents.

Age last Birthday.	Height without Shoes.	Weight without Clothes.	Chest-girth.
			In.
16	64	120	33
17	64½	125	33
18	65	130	33
19	65	132	33
20	65	135	33½
21	65	138	34
22	65	140	34

Candidates accepted under the above scale for admission to the Royal Military Academy must have reached the standard required according to their age before receiving commissions.

(b.) Measurement of height:—

The candidate will be placed against the standard with his feet together, and the weight thrown on the heels and not on the toes or outside of the feet. He will stand erect without rigidity, and with the heels, calves, buttocks, and shoulders touching the standard; the chin will be depressed to bring the vertex of the head level under the horizontal bar, and the height will be noted in parts of an inch to eighths.

(c.) Measurement of chest:—

The candidate will be made to stand erect with his feet together, and to raise his hands above his head. The tape will be carefully adjusted round the chest, with its posterior upper edge touching the inferior angles of the shoulder blades, and its anterior lower edge the upper part of the nipples. The arms will then be lowered to hang loosely by the side, and care will be taken that the shoulders are not thrown upwards or backwards so as to displace the tape. The candidate will then be directed to empty his chest of air as much as is possible. This is best done by continuous whistling with the lips as long as sound can be produced. The tape is carefully gathered in during the process, and when the minimum measurement is reached it is recorded.

He will then be directed to inflate his chest to its utmost capacity. This maximum measurement will likewise be recorded. The mean of the two measurements will be considered as the true chest-measurement.

(d.) Eyesight:—

The regulations regarding the examination of eyesight are as follows:—

1. If a candidate can read D = 6 at 6 metres (20 English feet), and D = 0.6 at any distance selected by himself, with each eye without glasses, he will be considered *fit*.

2. If a candidate can only read D = 24 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with each eye without glasses, his visual deficiency being due to faulty refraction which can be corrected by glasses which enable him to read D = 6 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with one eye, and D = 12 at the same distance with the other eye, and can also read D = 0.8 with each eye without glasses, at any distance selected by himself, he will be considered *fit*.

3. If a candidate cannot read D = 24 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with each eye without glasses, notwithstanding he can read D = 0.6, he will be considered *unfit*.

(N.B.—Snellen's test-types will be used for determining the acuteness of vision.)

Squint, inability to distinguish the principal colours, or any morbid condition subject to the risk of aggravation or recurrence in either eye, will cause the rejection of a candidate.

IV. The following additional points will then be observed:—

(a.) That his hearing is good.

(b.) That his speech is without impediment.

(c.) That his teeth are in good order. Loss or decay of ten teeth will be considered a disqualification. Decayed teeth, if well filled, will be considered as sound.

(d.) That his chest is well formed, and that his lungs and heart are sound.

(e.) That he is not ruptured.

(f.) That he does not suffer from hydrocele, varicocele, varicose veins in a severe degree, or other disease likely to cause inefficiency. A slight defect, if successfully cured by operation, is not a disqualification.

(g.) That his limbs are well formed and developed.

(h.) That there is free and perfect motion of all the joints.

(i.) That his feet and toes are well formed.

(j.) That he does not suffer from any inveterate skin-disease.

(k.) That he has no congenital malformation or defect.

(l.) That he does not bear traces of previous acute or chronic disease pointing to an impaired constitution.

APPENDIX II.

SYLLABUS OF SUBJECTS FOR THE LITERARY EXAMINATIONS

Mathematics I.—Arithmetic; algebra up to and including the binomial theorem; the theory and use of logarithms; Euclid, Books I. to IV. and VI.; plane trigonometry up to and including solution of triangles; mensuration.

Mathematics II.—Further questions on the syllabus of *Mathematics I.*; elementary solid geometry, including Euclid, Book XI., Propositions 1 to 21; Book XII., Propositions 1 and 2; geometrical conic sections, the elementary properties common to the ellipse, parabola, and hyperbola; dynamics and statics, uniform and uniformly accelerated rectilinear motion, uniform circular motion, motion of projectiles (not requiring a knowledge of the parabola), equilibrium of forces in one plane and of parallel forces, the centre of mass, and the construction and use of the simpler machines.

Mathematics III.—Geometrical conic sections; analytical geometry, the straight line, circle, and conic sections referred to Cartesian co-ordinates; dynamics and statics, so far as they may be studied without the aid of the differential calculus.

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

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

French.—Translation of unseen passages from French into English, and from English into French. The passages for translation will be taken mainly from standard authors, and a few simple questions may be asked on the passages set, as to the structure and character of the language, and allusions of obvious and general interest. The *vivà voce* examination will include dictation. Three hundred marks will be allotted to colloquial knowledge of the language.

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

English Composition.—Candidates will be tested by *précis* writing as well as by an essay. The standard of positive merit will be looked for in logical arrangement of thought, and in accuracy and propriety of expression, but large deductions of marks will be made for faults of writing and spelling. (Candidates are also warned that, for similar faults in the use of the English language, similar deductions will be made from the marks obtained in other subjects.)

Geometrical Drawing.—Practical plane geometry; the construction of scales; and the elements of solid geometry and of simple orthographic projection. Great importance will be attached to neatness and exactness of drawing.

Geography.—Simple questions in descriptive and general geography.

English History.—The general paper in this subject will be confined to events subsequent to the Norman Conquest. It will test whether the candidates are accurately acquainted with the facts of English history, and also possess an intelligent knowledge of the meaning of the facts.

The paper on the special period will be confined to distinctly modern history. It will require from the candidates more minute knowledge than the general paper.

Natural Science Subjects.—The standard examination in these subjects will be such as may be reasonably expected from the education given at schools possessing appliances for practical instruction, such as a laboratory, &c. A considerable portion of the marks will be given for proficiency shown in the practical part of the examination. A knowledge of the metric system will be expected.

Chemistry.—The laws of chemical combination and decomposition, and the preparation, classification, and properties of the principal metallic and non-metallic elements, and of such of their compounds as are treated of in inorganic chemistry. In the practical part of the examination, only the more ordinary apparatus and the less dangerous reagents will be supplied, and no candidate will be allowed to bring his own apparatus or reagents.

Heat.—The elementary portion of the subject.

Physics.—The elementary properties of electricity, magnetism, light, and sound.

Physiography—i.e., *Physical Geography*.

Geology.—Chiefly economic, including the recognition of the more familiar minerals and rocks, and their properties and uses. [D. 99/4171.

Regulations respecting Admission to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and for First Appointments therefrom to the British Army.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1899.

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REGULATIONS RESPECTING ADMISSION TO THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE, SANDHURST, 1899.

[N.B.—Officers appointed to commissions in the army may, in case of voluntary retirement from the army, be called upon, as a condition of receiving the full rates of retired-pay, to serve for a time in the Militia.]

I. THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

1. The Royal Military College is maintained for the purpose of affording a special military education to candidates for commissions in the cavalry and infantry. Candidates must be unmarried, and will not be accepted unless, in the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief, they are in all respects suitable to hold commissions in the army. Any further information required as to the examination and preliminary arrangements may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Westminster, S.W.

II. REGULATIONS FOR ADMISSION.

General Instructions.

2. Admission to the Royal Military College as cadets will be granted—

(a.) To successful candidates at a competitive examination;

(b.) To Queen's cadets, honorary Queen's cadets, Indian cadets, and pages of honour, subject to a qualifying examination.

3. The number of cadets admitted to the College will vary according to the requirements of the service, and notice will be given from time to time of the number of vacancies open to competition. Such notice will usually be published about three months before the examination.

4. The dates of admission will be the Wednesday of the week in which the 27th January or the 16th August falls in each year.

5. The examinations of candidates for admission to the College will be conducted by the Civil Service Commissioners as hereinafter specified. The examinations will be held in London, and at such other centres as the Commissioners may appoint. The fee for the examination in London will be £2, at any other centre, £3.

6. The number of trials allowed will not exceed three.

7. The limits of age for admission to the College will be from seventeen to nineteen.

Competitors who desire to obtain commissions in the West India Regiment may be admitted up to the age of twenty-one.

Candidates must be within the above limits of age on the 1st July for the Summer Examination, and on the 1st December for the Winter Examination.

III. EXAMINATIONS.

8. The examinations will be held half-yearly, and will commence in June and November; due notice will be given of the dates of the examinations, and every candidate for those examinations must obtain the necessary forms. These will be furnished on application, by letter, addressed to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, London, S.W., and will include a form of application for permission to attend the examination, "Form A," and a "Form of Particulars" required by the War Office.

These forms must be filled up in the candidate's own handwriting, and must be received by the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission not later than the 1st April or 1st September respectively.

No form of application received after that date will be accepted unless accompanied by an explanation satisfactory to the Civil Service Commissioners, and no form received after the 1st May or 1st October can be accepted under any circumstances.

The forms should be accompanied by the following papers:—

(a.) An extract from the register of the candidate's birth; or, in default, a certificate of his baptism or other documentary evidence, accompanied by a declaration made by one of his parents or guardians before a Magistrate giving his exact age:

(b.) If the candidate holds a commission in the Militia, a recommendation from the commanding officer of the regiment.

Certificates of moral character need not be forwarded, but every candidate will be required to name, on Form A, two responsible referees well acquainted with him during the four years of his life immediately preceding the date of his application.

9. The subjects of the examination,* and the maximum number of marks obtainable for each subject, will be as follows:—

Class I.		Marks.
Mathematics I. . . . .	.. .. .	3,000
Latin .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
French or German .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
English composition .. .. .	.. .. .	1,000
Geometrical drawing .. .. .	.. .. .	1,000
Freehand drawing .. .. .	.. .. .	500
Geography .. .. .	.. .. .	500

Class II.		Marks.
Mathematics II. . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
Mathematics III. . . . .	.. .. .	2,000
German or French .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
Greek .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
English history .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
Chemistry and heat .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
Physics .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000
Physiography and geology .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000

All the subjects of Class I. may be taken up. Only two of the subjects of Class II. may be taken up, and if one of these subjects be a modern language, it must be different from the modern language selected in Class I.

Candidates must obtain such an aggregate of marks in the examination as a whole as may indicate, in the judgment of the Civil Service Commissioners, a competent amount of general proficiency.

10. The number of marks allowed to each candidate in the several subjects in which he has been examined will be summed up, and the resulting total will determine the place of the candidate in the competitive list; the successful candidates being those who stand at the head of the list up to the number of cadetships competed for.

* See syllabus in Appendix II.

IV. MEDICAL INSPECTION.

11. The successful candidates will be examined by a Medical Board in London, and no candidate will be accepted unless recommended by this Board as physically fit for Her Majesty's service.

The general conditions as to height, weight, chest-measurement, eyesight, &c., &c., required, are given in Appendix I., page 16. The Board have, however, discretionary power to recommend a candidate slightly below one or other of these conditions in a case in which they are satisfied that he will fulfil them before the time comes for him to join the service. Such candidates will not be granted a commission at the completion of their course of instruction if they fail to attain the standard given in Appendix I. No relaxation, however, of the eyesight qualification will ever be allowed.

The recommendations of the Board will in all cases be absolutely final.

V. PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

12. It is suggested that a candidate before commencing his course of study should undergo a thorough medical examination. By such an examination any serious physical disqualification would be revealed, and the candidate probably spared the expense and the mortification of rejection.

13. Candidates may undergo a preliminary examination by a military Medical Board, not more than two years before they compete, under the following conditions:—

- (a.) Applications must be addressed to the Under-Secretary of State, War Office, Pall Mall, London, accompanied by a fee of two guineas. (Cheques, &c., should be made payable to the Director-General, Army Medical Service.)
- (b.) Instructions will be issued for the examination to take place at the military station where a Medical Board can be held, nearest the candidate's residence. The result will be notified to candidates by the Board.
- (c.) Candidates must pay their travelling-expenses.
- (d.) Candidates found unfit by the preliminary Medical Board are not bound to accept its finding, but may, at their own risk, continue their studies, and if successful at the competitive examination may then submit themselves for medical examination by the final Medical Board.
- (e.) It must be distinctly understood that passing such preliminary Medical Board is solely for the candidate's information, and would give him no sort of claim to be accepted as physically fit when he presents himself as a candidate. His acceptance will depend entirely upon the report of the final Medical Board which examines in London candidates successful in the competitive examination. Candidates may be fit for the service at the preliminary examination, but may become disqualified by some subsequent physical deterioration.

VI. QUEEN'S CADETS, HONORARY QUEEN'S CADETS, INDIAN CADETS, AND PAGES OF HONOUR.

14. (a.) Queen's cadets will be appointed by the Secretary of State for War, on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief or First Lord of the Admiralty, from sons of officers of the army, Royal navy, Royal marines, and Permanent Colonial Military Forces or irregular troops (when acting with or in support of the regular Forces in the field) who have fallen in action, or have died of wounds received in action, or of disease contracted on service abroad, and who have left their families in reduced circumstances. Queen's cadets will be granted an educational allowance of £40 a year, tenable between the ages of thirteen and seventeen.

(b.) Candidates who, on account of their age, are unable to receive the educational allowance, though eligible in other respects to be nominated to and examined for Queen's cadetships, will, after passing the necessary qualifying examination, be entitled to a free course of instruction at the Royal Military College.

Sons of officers who have retired by the sale of their commissions, or who have surrendered their half-pay, are ineligible for Queen's cadetships.

15. Honorary Queen's cadets will be appointed from—

(a.) The sons of officers of the British army, Indian army, Royal navy, or Royal marines who were killed in action, or who have died of wounds received in action within six months of such wounds having been received, or from illness brought on by fatigue, privation, or exposure incident to active operations in the field before an enemy, within six months after their having been first certified to be ill.

(b.) The sons of officers of the British army and of the Indian army who have attained the brevet or substantive rank of major, and have performed long or distinguished

service, provided that their sons are, on account of such service, recommended by the Commander-in-Chief, with the approval of the Secretary of State, and that the special grounds for the recommendation be set forth in each case. The number so appointed of sons of officers of the British army will not exceed ten, and that of sons of officers of the Indian army will not exceed three, in any one year.

An honorary Queen's cadetship will not carry with it any pecuniary advantage, and no declaration as to the circumstances of the deceased officer's family is required.

Sons of officers who have retired by the sale of their commissions, or who have surrendered their half-pay, are ineligible for honorary Queen's cadetships.

16. Applications for Queen's cadetships and honorary Queen's cadetships, except as in paragraph 17, should be addressed to the Under-Secretary of State, War Office, if the candidate is the son of an officer of the army, or to the Secretary of the Admiralty if the candidate is the son of an officer of the Royal navy or Royal marines.

17. Indian cadets will be nominated by the Secretary of State for India in Council, under the provisions of 21 and 22 Vict., c. 106, and 23 and 24 Vict., c. 100, from sons of persons who have served in India in the military or civil service of Her Majesty, or of the East India Company. Applications for Indian cadetships, and for honorary Queen's cadetships for the sons of officers of the Indian Army, should be addressed to the Military Secretary, India Office.

18. Queen's cadets, honorary Queen's cadets, Indian cadets, and pages of honour, when ready for examination, will apply in the manner directed by paragraph 8.

19. Queen's cadets, honorary Queen's cadets, Indian cadets, and pages of honour will be required, before admission to the College, to pass a qualifying entrance examination only. They must attend the examination referred to in paragraph 9, and, in addition to the requirements therein mentioned, must obtain such an aggregate of marks as may indicate, in the judgment of the Civil Service Commissioners, a competent amount of general proficiency.

20. A Queen's cadet, honorary Queen's cadet, Indian cadet, or page of honour who can produce a university certificate, as prescribed in paragraph 1 of the regulations under which commissions in the army may be obtained by University candidates, will be exempted from the qualifying entrance examination described in paragraph 19.

VII. TERMS OF PAYMENT.

21. The terms of payment for cadets are regulated by the following articles of the Royal Warrant for Pay, &c.:—

“673. The amount to be contributed on behalf of a cadet while at our Royal Military Academy or our Royal Military College shall depend on the position held by his father (whether living or deceased) as an officer of our Regular Forces; of the permanent staff of our Militia, Yeomanry, or Volunteers; of our departments as laid down in Articles 314 to 320; of our Navy; of our Indian Military or Naval Forces; or of our Permanent Colonial Forces, whether naval or military, if exclusively employed as such.

“674. The amount referred to in Article 673 shall be payable half-yearly in advance at the following yearly rates:—

	Yearly.
“For the son of—	£
(a.) An officer on the Active List below the substantive rank* (as regards combatant officers) or the rank† (as regards departmental officers) of Lieutenant-Colonel in the army, and captain or commander in the navy	40
A retired officer who last served in a rank below the above rank, and retired with not less than twenty years' service; ‡ or on account of age or non-employment; or on account of ill-health caused by the service; or on reduction of establishment	40
An instructor at our Staff College, Ordnance College, Royal Military Academy, or Royal Military College	40
(b.) An officer on the Active List with the substantive rank* (as regards combatant officers) or the rank† (as regards departmental officers) of Lieutenant-Colonel or Colonel in the army; or a captain or commander in the navy	60
A retired officer who last served in the above rank and retired as stated in paragraph (a)	60
A professor at our Staff College, Ordnance College, Royal Military Academy, or Royal Military College	60

* As defined in Article 1315.
 † As defined in Article 1314.
 ‡ As laid down in Article 500.

(c.) A major-general or lieutenant-general .. 70
 A rear-admiral or vice-admiral
 (d.) A general 80
 An admiral
 (e.) A private gentleman 150
 An officer retired from our army or navy
 and not coming under any of the previous
 categories
 (f.) For a Queen's cadet Nil.
 (g.) For an Indian cadet. By special arrange-
 ment with the India Office. This applies
 only to our Royal Military College.
 (h.) For the son of an officer who has died on
 full pay, half-pay, or retired-pay or pen-
 sion, and whose family has been left in
 pecuniary distress (subject to the ap-
 proval of our Secretary of State) .. 20
 (i.) For the sons of all other deceased officers,
 of whatever rank, whose widows are, or
 would have been, if living, eligible for
 pension 40

"675. If the father of a cadet is promoted, or retires, the rate of contribution shall be altered accordingly.

"676. If a cadet is absent a whole term in consequence of rustication, a payment of £10 shall be required for the privilege of his name being kept on the rolls of the establishment, and for a vacancy being kept open at the commencement of the next term; except in the case of an orphan whose annual contribution is only £20, when the amounts to be paid under such circumstances shall be determined by our Secretary of State.

"677. An allowance of 8s. a day, in aid of the expenses of uniform, messing, washing, and other contingencies, will be admitted as a charge against the public for each cadet as long as he is borne on the books of our Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College. All other necessary expenses which cannot be covered by this allowance shall be chargeable to the parent or guardian of a cadet, in addition to the regulated contribution.

"678. If a cadet is absent from sickness during a portion of the term, his allowance shall continue to be issued and credited to his account; but no refund of the contribution shall be permitted except under the special authority of our Secretary of State, and if such authority is given the allowance for the period of such refund shall cease.

"679. If a cadet is rusticated or removed during a term, his daily allowance shall cease from the date of such rustication or removal, and the contribution made for the half-year shall be forfeited, unless otherwise specially decided by our Secretary of State."

22. Each cadet, other than a Queen's cadet or an Indian cadet, who, by special arrangement with the India Office, pays no contribution, on first joining will be required to pay, in addition to the regulated contribution, a sum of £35 towards covering the expense of uniform, books, &c., and to bring with him the articles of clothing of which he will receive notice, and which must afterwards be kept up at his own expense. He also will be required to pay the regulated contribution, in advance, for each half-year of the time during which he remains under instruction.

VIII. GOVERNMENT AND ORGANIZATION.

23. The Commander-in-Chief is the President of the Royal Military College.

24. An independent inspection will be made annually by a Board of Visitors, appointed by the Secretary of State for War, and reporting to him. Such visitors will not be a permanent body, but will not be all changed at the same time. The report of this Board will be presented to Parliament.

25. The College will be under the control of a military officer, styled Governor and Commandant, appointed by and responsible to the Secretary of State for War, through the Commander-in-Chief.

26. The Governor will be assisted by a staff officer styled Assistant Commandant and Secretary, who will command the cadet battalion, and have the custody of the records and correspondence of the College, and will give the Governor such assistance as he may require.

27. The organization will be on a military basis.

28. The Governor will be assisted in the arrangement of the studies by a Board, composed of the Assistant Commandant and the professors or senior instructors of the different branches. The head of each branch will have the supervision and inspection of the studies in his department, and will report on them to the Governor.

29. The Governor will from time to time assemble and confer with all the professors and instructors of each separate branch on matters relating to it.

IX. DISCIPLINE.

30. The gentlemen cadets are subject to such rules and regulations as are, or may be, from time to time established for the maintenance of good order and discipline at the College.

31. The Governor has the power of rustication, and also of sentencing a cadet for misconduct to lose places in the list of successful candidates for commissions. In such cases the circumstances will be reported by the Governor to the Commander-in-Chief.

32. In cases requiring more serious notice, cadets will be liable, on the report of the Governor to the Secretary of State for War through the Commander-in-Chief, to be removed or expelled.

33. A cadet will be removed from the Royal Military College for serious misconduct, or for moral or physical unfitness (see also paragraph 52).

34. The name of any cadet expelled will be recorded in the War Office, and will be made known to the First Lord of the Admiralty, the Secretary of State for India, and the Civil Service Commissioners, in order to prevent the admission of the cadet into Her Majesty's Naval, Military, Indian, or Civil Service.

35. The cadets will be distributed in companies, under the immediate charge of officers selected by the Governor, who will reside in the College and exercise a strict superintendence over their companies, for which they will be responsible to the Assistant Commandant. Officers commanding companies, and unmarried officers, will mess with the cadets.

36. During study the cadets will be under the professors and instructors, whose orders they will obey implicitly. Professors and instructors will bring to the notice of the Assistant Commandant all cases of misconduct or irregularity.

37. All communications between a cadet and the Assistant Commandant for the Governor will be made through the officer commanding his company.

38. Cadets will salute all officers in uniform, and the officers, professors, and instructors of the College at all times.

39. Officers commanding companies, professors, and instructors will have certain limited powers of punishment, at the discretion of the Governor, reporting all punishments which they may inflict to the Assistant Commandant.

40. Officers, professors, and instructors will not be permitted to give private instruction on payment to cadets either during the vacation or at any other time, nor to prepare candidates for admission to the College.

41. No person belonging to the College is to receive a present from any cadet, or from the relations or friends of any cadet. Any non-commissioned officer or employé discovered accepting a present will be liable to be removed or discharged, and the cadet giving it punished for disobedience of orders.

42. Cadets are required to appear at all times in uniform except when on leave or when otherwise exempted by the Governor.

43. A sword will be given at each final examination as a special reward to the most deserving cadet of his term.

X. COURSE OF INSTRUCTION.

44. The length of the course of instruction will be eighteen months, divided into three terms.

The College terms will be—

First term: From the Wednesday of the week in which the 27th January falls to the 27th June, with a vacation of about eleven days at Easter.

Second term: From the Wednesday of the week in which the 16th August falls to the 21st December.

The intermediate periods will constitute the vacations.

45. The following subjects will form the ordinary course of obligatory studies:—

	Marks.		
	Senior Division.	Intermediate Division.	Junior Division.
Military administration	300	300	300
Military law	300	300	300
Tactics	450*	300	300
Military history and geography	150	150	Nil
Musketry	150	Nil	Nil
Military engineering	900†	300	300
Military topography	800‡	300	300
French or German	300§	300§	300
Drill	200	Nil	Nil
Riding	200	"	"
Gymnastics	200	"	"
Aggregate	3,650	1,650	1,500

* Of which 150 for tactical schemes.

† Of which 300 for plates, sketches, &c.

‡ Of which 200 for plates, sketches, &c.

§ Of which 50 for colloquial.

46. Fifty marks will be given towards the aggregate of each of the under-officers as a reward for their services, if recommended by the Governor.

XI. EXAMINATIONS.

47. In order to insure due diligence during the whole period of residence, there will be examinations at the end of each term, conducted by independent examiners. Some questions will be set on the work done in previous terms. A cadet who fails to pass at any examination will be warned that if he fails at the next examination he will be removed from the College. No cadet will be permitted to reside for more than three terms at the College, except in case of protracted illness. In the exceptional case of a cadet being prevented by sudden illness or other unavoidable cause from undergoing the final examination, such cadet may, on the recommendation of the Governor, be specially examined at the commencement of the ensuing term.

48. Cadets of the senior division who have completed their course satisfactorily, and are reported as duly qualified in all respects, will be eligible for commissions as vacancies occur, and will be gazetted to regiments as second lieutenants, as far as possible in their order of merit.

49. The qualifying minimum at the several examinations is one-half of the aggregate marks and one-third of the Examiner's marks on each subject.

50. Cadets who obtain 0.75 of the marks at the final examination will be recorded as having passed with honours.

51. A cadet guilty of copying, assisting another, or using unfair means at any examination will forfeit his examination, and be rusticated for one term, or may, according to circumstances, be more severely dealt with.

52. A cadet will be removed from the Royal Military College on the following grounds:—

- (1.) If he fails to pass at two consecutive examinations.
- (2.) If he fails to acquire a sufficient proficiency in military exercises—viz., drill, gymnastics, and riding.
- (3.) Unsatisfactory progress in his studies.

No exception to the above rule will be allowed on account of absence from any cause excepting illness; cases of protracted absence on account of illness will be specially referred for decision to the Secretary of State for War through the Commander-in-Chief.

53. A cadet who fails to pass the examination at the end of his third term of residence will not be permitted to return to the Royal Military College, but will be allowed to be examined at the next ensuing examination if specially recommended by the Governor. A failure at this examination will disqualify a cadet for a commission in the army, and his name will be at once removed from the books.

54. At the end of each term a "Queen Victoria Medal" will be given to the cadet who passes out first on the list at the final examination. Prizes will be given at the final examination for proficiency in each subject. At the end of each Christmas term the "Anson Memorial Sword" will be given to the cadet who passes out first on the list at the final examination.

APPENDIX I.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY.

I. A candidate for a commission in Her Majesty's army must be in good mental and bodily health, and free from any physical defect likely to interfere with the efficient performance of military duty, and it should be stated whether he is of pure European descent.

II. The examination will be conducted by a Board of medical officers. The Principal Medical Officer, Home District, will be President; the Assistant Professor of Clinical and Military Surgery, Army Medical School, Netley; the Surgeon, Royal Military Academy, Woolwich; and the Surgeon, Royal Military College, Sandhurst, may be members of the Board *ex officio*. The other members will be composed of officers of a rank not lower than major, Royal Army Medical Corps, and in their selection due regard should be given to their possession of special qualifications for the duty.

III. The attention of the Board will be directed to the following points:—

(a.) That the correlation of age, height, weight, and chest-girth is equal or superior to that which is given in the following table:—

Physical Equivalents.

Age last Birthday.	Height without Shoes.	Weight without Clothes.	Chest-girth.
	In.	Lb.	In.
16	64	120	33
17	64½	125	33
18	65	130	33
19	65	132	33
20	65	135	33½
21	65	138	34
22	65	140	34

Candidates accepted under the above scale for admission to the Royal Military College must have reached the standard required according to their age before receiving commissions.

(b.) Measurement of height:—

The candidate will be placed against the standard with his feet together, and the weight thrown on the heels, and not on the toes or outside of the feet. He will stand erect without rigidity, and with the heels, calves, buttocks, and shoulders touching the standard; the chin will be depressed to bring the vertex of the head level under the horizontal bar, and the height will be noted in parts of an inch to eighths.

(c.) Measurement of chest:—

The candidate will be made to stand erect with his feet together, and to raise his hands above his head. The tape will be carefully adjusted round the chest, with its posterior upper edge touching the inferior angles of the shoulder-blades, and its anterior lower edge the upper part of the nipples. The arms will then be lowered to hang loosely by the side, and care will be taken that the shoulders are not thrown upwards or backwards so as to displace the tape. The candidate will then be directed to empty his chest of air as much as is possible. This is best done by continuous whistling with the lips as long as sound can be produced. The tape is carefully gathered in during the process, and when the minimum measurement is reached it is recorded.

He will then be directed to inflate his chest to its utmost capacity. This maximum measurement will likewise be recorded. The mean of the two measurements will be considered as the true chest-measurement.

(d.) Eyesight:—

The regulations regarding the examination of eyesight are as follows:—

1. If a candidate can read D = 6 at 6 metres (20 English feet) and D = 0.6, at any distance selected by himself, with each eye without glasses, he will be considered *fit*.

2. If a candidate can only read D = 24 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with each eye without glasses, his visual deficiency being due to faulty refraction which can be corrected by glasses which enable him to read D = 6 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with one eye, and D = 12 at the same distance with the other eye, and can also read D = 0.8 with each eye without glasses, at any distance selected by himself, he will be considered *fit*.

3. If a candidate cannot read D = 24 at 6 metres (20 English feet) with each eye without glasses, notwithstanding he can read D = 0.6, he will be considered *unfit*.

(N.B.—Snellen's test-types will be used for determining the acuteness of vision.)

Squint, inability to distinguish the principal colours, or any morbid conditions subject to the risk of aggravation or recurrence in either eye, will cause the rejection of a candidate.

IV. The following additional points will then be observed:—

- (a.) That his hearing is good.
- (b.) That his speech is without impediment.
- (c.) That his teeth are in good order. Loss or decay of ten teeth will be considered a disqualification. Decayed teeth, if well filled, will be considered as sound.
- (d.) That his chest is well formed, and that his lungs and heart are sound.
- (e.) That he is not ruptured.
- (f.) That he does not suffer from hydrocele, varicocele, varicose veins in a severe degree, or other disease likely to cause inefficiency. A slight defect, if successfully cured by operation, is not a disqualification.
- (g.) That his limbs are well formed and developed.
- (h.) That there is free and perfect motion of all the joints.
- (i.) That his feet and toes are well formed.
- (j.) That he does not suffer from any inveterate skin-disease.
- (k.) That he has no congenital malformation or defect.
- (l.) That he does not bear traces of previous acute or chronic disease pointing to an impaired constitution.

APPENDIX II.

SYLLABUS OF SUBJECTS FOR THE LITERARY EXAMINATIONS.

Mathematics I.—Arithmetic; algebra up to and including the binomial theorem; the theory and use of logarithms; Euclid, Books I. to IV. and VI.; plane trigonometry, up to and including solution of triangles; mensuration.

Mathematics II.—Further questions on the syllabus of *Mathematics I.*; elementary solid geometry, including Euclid, Book XI., Propositions 1 to 21, and Book XII., Propositions 1 and 2; geometrical conic sections, the elementary

properties common to the ellipse, parabola, and hyperbola; dynamics and statics, uniform and uniformly accelerated rectilinear motion, uniform circular motion, motion of projectiles (not requiring a knowledge of the parabola), equilibrium of forces in one plane and of parallel forces, the centre of mass, and the construction and use of the simpler machines.

Mathematics III.—Geometrical conic sections; analytical geometry, the straight line, circle, and conic sections, referred to Cartesian co-ordinates; dynamics and statics, so far as they may be studied without the aid of the differential calculus.

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

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

French.—Translations of unseen passages from French into English, and from English into French. The passages for translation will be taken mainly from standard authors, and a few simple questions may be asked on the passages set, as to the structure and character of the language, and allusions of obvious and general interest. The *viva voce* examination will include dictation. Three hundred marks will be allotted to colloquial knowledge of the language.

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

English Composition.—Candidates will be tested by *précis*-writing as well as by an essay. The standard of positive merit will be looked for in logical arrangement of thought, and in accuracy and propriety of expression, but large deductions of marks will be made for faults of writing and spelling. (Candidates are also warned that, for similar faults in the use of the English language, similar deductions will be made from the marks obtained in other subjects.)

Geometrical Drawing.—Practical plane geometry; the construction of scales; and the elements of solid geometry, and of simple orthographic projection. Great importance will be attached to neatness and exactness of drawing.

Geography.—Simple questions in descriptive and general geography.

English History.—The general paper in this subject will be confined to events subsequent to the Norman Conquest. It will test whether the candidates are accurately acquainted with the facts of English history, and also possess an intelligent knowledge of the meaning of the facts.

The paper on the special period will be confined to distinctly modern history. It will require from the candidates more minute knowledge than the general paper.

Natural Science Subjects.—The standard of examination in these subjects will be such as may be reasonably expected from the education given at schools possessing appliances for practical instruction, such as a laboratory, &c. A considerable portion of the marks will be given for proficiency shown in the practical part of the examination. A knowledge of the metric system will be expected.

Chemistry.—The laws of chemical combination and decomposition, and the preparation, classification, and properties of the principal metallic and non-metallic elements, and of such of their compounds as are treated of in inorganic chemistry. In the practical part of the examination, only the more ordinary apparatus and the less dangerous reagents will be supplied, and no candidate will be allowed to bring his own apparatus or reagents.

Heat.—The elementary portion of the subject.

Physics.—The elementary properties of electricity, magnetism, light, and sound.

Physiography—i.e., *Physical Geography.*

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

APPENDIX III.

FIRST APPOINTMENTS TO LINE REGIMENTS.

The appointment of gentlemen cadets after passing out of the Royal Military College to particular regiments of the line will be made on the following principles:—

1. A cadet having a special family or territorial connection with a regiment may, shortly before his final examination at the Royal Military College, apply, through the Governor, to the Military Secretary to be appointed to that regiment, and such consideration as can be afforded will be given to his application. If approved, and if the interests of the service admit of it, he will be permitted to

wait six months for an opportunity of being appointed to the regiment he applies for, but must understand that by so doing he loses army seniority.

2. If desirous of thus waiting he must state this when making application for a regiment. After a candidate has been once gazetted on first appointment no application for a transfer will be entertained, save under the most exceptional circumstances.

3. Candidates without special claims are at liberty to apply for particular regiments (not exceeding two in all), but will in no case be allowed to wait.

4. When the claims of different candidates for the same regiment are evenly balanced, the first consideration will be given to those highest on the list in their final examination.

5. All candidates must clearly understand that, while their wishes will be met as far as possible, they will be posted to vacancies as demanded by the interests of the service.

[D. 99/4190.]

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, 1898.

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

1. A bonus of 1s. per gallon (£5,000) will be paid on the first 100,000 gallons of mineral oil produced from shale obtained in the Colony of New Zealand, the oil to be of a quality approved of by Government, and to be sold at a price not exceeding 1s. a gallon at any port of shipment in the colony.
2. Notice of intention to claim the aforesaid bonus must be given in writing to the Colonial Secretary not later than the 31st December, 1899.
3. The claim must be made before the 30th June, 1900.
4. The first claimant who proves to the satisfaction of the Government that he has fulfilled all the conditions to be the recipient of the bonus.
5. The other conditions—as to quantity, priority, quality, and value—to be fulfilled to the satisfaction of an officer appointed for the purpose by the Government.

J. CARROLL.

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

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

BONUS No. 1.

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

The following are the conditions:—

1. All applications for the bonus must be sent addressed to the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington, and must reach him not later than the 31st March, 1900. Each application must be accompanied by a description of the machine or process, particularly stating improvements on present machines or processes, and also the cost at which the machine or process can be supplied.
2. The applicants must be prepared to submit their machines or processes to examination at such time and place as the Government may direct.
3. The Government shall appoint a committee of three or more experts, to whom all applications shall be submitted. Such committee shall, after perusal, state what machines or

processes they deem worthy of consideration, and may inspect the same at any place within the colony; and, having so inspected the whole or any of them, may direct that the whole or any of them be brought for further trial to such place as they may think fit.

The cost of bringing the machines or appliances on to the ground, from within the colony, supplying the necessary shafting, motive-power, and buildings, to be defrayed by the Government. If any machine sent from beyond the colony is awarded the bonus or part thereof, then the cost of bringing such machine shall be borne by the Government.

The following shall be the basis of the test:—

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

The committee shall take into consideration—

- The time occupied by each machine or process in the operation;
- The cost of labour and time required after the fibre has left the machine or process before it is ready for baling;
- The percentage of dressed fibre and tow produced by each machine or process;
- The cost of producing the same;
- The cost of the machine, and the simplicity and durability of the working parts.

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

- (1.) The machine or process which they consider on the whole the most efficient and economic.
- (2.) Whether they consider that any machine or process tested so materially reduces the cost of production, or improves the product, as to be worthy of the whole bonus or of a part only.
- (3.) Whether, in the event of no one machine or process being entitled to the whole bonus, they deem any machine or process worthy of a part of the bonus, and, if so, how much.

BONUS No. 2.

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

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

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Government Printing and Stationery Offices to be closed from 20th December to 2nd January.

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

THE Government Printing and Stationery Offices, Wellington, will be closed from Wednesday, the 20th December, 1899, until Tuesday, the 2nd January, 1900, both inclusive.

By order.
HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Civil Service Senior Examination.

Education Department,
Wellington, 20th July, 1899.

IN pursuance of regulations under "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," notice is hereby given that for the Senior Examination of January, 1901, the period of literature will be from 1800 to 1850, and the special books will be Carlyle's "Sartor Resartus" and Milton's "Samson Agonistes."

W. C. WALKER,
Minister of Education.

Examination of Land Surveyors.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 17th November, 1899.

IN accordance with the regulations for the examination of surveyors under "The Land Act, 1892," as published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 5th March, 1896, it is hereby notified that

JOHN REAY MACKAY and
LESLIE HUNT

have received certificates of competency as duly authorised surveyors.

It is also notified that the following persons have been granted licenses to practise as surveyors under "The Land Transfer Act, 1885":—

LEONARD FRANCIS WEBB,
LESLIE HUNT, and
JOHN REAY MACKAY.
S. PERCY SMITH,
Chairman of the Board of Examiners.

Commissioner's Decisions under Tariff Acts.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 5th December, 1899.

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

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

Articles, and how classed.	Rate of Duty.
*99/895. Artificial flowers and plants for decorative purposes other than millinery; as fancy goods (This decision in C.O. 621 applies to such as are used for table or house decorative purposes, and does not embrace flowers and leaves used for trimming and ornamenting apparel.)	20 per cent.
99/1062. Boat-hooks; as ship-chandlery n.o.e.	Free.
99/1030. Candles, Fancy, for Christmas-trees; as candles	2d. the lb.
99/914. Corn-crushers, Hand-power; as machinery for agricultural purposes	5 per cent.
99/1057. Cotton interlinings, in the piece, used in the manufacture of white shirts; as calico, white, in the piece	Free.
*99/1144. Dandelion-root (i.e., Taraxacum); as medicinal roots	Free.
99/1081. Dowlas, when cut up under supervision into shapes suitable for ham-covers; as a. & m.s.	Free.
99/591. Dunnage mats; as n.o.e.	Free.
99/1081. Flax sheeting, when cut up under supervision into sizes not exceeding 47 in. by 36 in., for making shot-bags; as a. & m.s.	Free.
99/961. Linen, calendered, undyed, invoiced as brown linen, vest-canvas, canvas, buckram, and Tailors' Friend, not exceeding in price 4½d. per yard; as a. & m.s.	Free.
*99/901. Lathes, Engineers' machine, with or without automatic feed; as engineers' machine tools	Free.
99/1056. Metal tops, stamped, for bonnet-boxes; as metal manufactures n.o.e.	20 per cent.
*99/914. Mills for crushing horse-feed; as machinery for agricultural purposes	5 per cent.
99/1113. Pillow-cases; as drapery n.o.e.	20 per cent.
99/995. Slop-pail feet; as tinsmiths' fittings	Free.

ERRATUM.—In Gazette No. 92, of 10th November, 1899, "Cylinder revolving screw" should read "Cylinder revolving screen."

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Commissioner's Order No. 626.]

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 29th November, 1899.

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

Barkly Gillespie Dickson, late of Irura, near Tolosa, Spain, mining engineer. Filed on the 23rd day of November, 1899.

Michael Shea, late of Palmerston North, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 23rd day of November, 1899.

Thomas Auld, late of Port Chalmers, in the Provincial District of Otago, greaser. Filed on the 25th day of November, 1899.

Frederick William Parsons, late of Ngahere, in the Provincial District of Nelson, Stationmaster. Filed on the 28th day of November, 1899.

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

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 34.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 1st December, 1899.

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

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

The Reverend Charles Richard Pollock.
The Reverend William Bernard Sisam.
The Reverend Arthur Dowrick Beavan.
The Reverend Arthur Fowler.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

ERRATUM.—In Notice No. 32, ante, Gazette of 10th November, for the name "Aitkens" read "Aitken."

Crown Lands Notices.

Land in Pawaho and Tamai Hamlets, near Christchurch, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land will be opened for selection on lease in perpetuity, as workmen's homes allotments, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, 7th February, 1900, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," the Land for Settlements Act Amendment Acts, 1895 and 1896, and the regulations made thereunder.

If more than one application be received for the same allotment on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot, on Thursday, 8th February, at noon, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

If the sections be not applied for on the 7th February, they will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

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

TAMAI HAMLET.

	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
23	XII.	1	0	0	3	10	0	1	15	0

This section is situated on the eastern side of the Tamai Hamlet, fronting on Smith's Road, about 28 chains back from the Ferry Road, in the Borough of Woolston, the total distance from Cathedral Square, Christchurch, being about two miles and a half. The section comprises flat agricultural land, with from 6 in. to 8 in. of loamy soil on clay sub-soil.

PAWAHO HAMLET.

	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
2	XVI.	1	0	30	2	6	6	1	7	7

This section is situated near the eastern end of the Pawaho Hamlet, fronting on the Hills Road, about 20 chains from the Heathcote Railway-station, and comprises low-lying flat agricultural land of good quality, partly liable to be flooded in winter.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Township of Te Puia for Lease by Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 4th December, 1899.

THE under-mentioned sections in the Township of Te Puia will be offered for lease by public tender for a term of twenty-one years, with right of renewal for a further term of twenty-one years, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Gisborne, on Thursday, 15th February, 1900.

Sections not applied for on the 15th February will be open thereafter at the upset ground-rentals noted below.

Section.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.	Section.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.
TOWNSHIP OF TE PUIA.					
Block I.					
1	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	7	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
2	0 1 0	1 10 0	8	0 1 0	1 10 0
3	0 1 0	1 0 0	9	0 1 0	1 10 0
4	0 1 0	1 0 0	10	0 1 0	1 10 0
5	0 1 0	1 0 0	11	0 1 0	1 10 0
6	0 1 0	1 0 0	12	0 1 15	1 10 0
Block II.					
1	0 1 0	1 10 0	6	0 1 0	1 10 0
2	0 1 0	2 0 0	7	0 1 0	1 0 0
3	0 1 0	1 0 0	8	0 1 0	1 10 0
4	0 1 0	1 10 0	9	0 1 0	1 0 0
5	0 1 0	1 0 0	11	0 1 0	1 10 0
Block III.					
1	0 1 0	2 0 0	7	0 1 0	1 10 0
2	0 1 0	1 10 0	8	0 1 0	1 10 0
5	0 1 0	1 10 0	9	0 2 0	4 0 0
6	0 1 19	1 10 0			

SUBURBS OF TE PUIA.

1	6 1 3	1 10 0	52	5 0 0	2 10 0
2	5 0 0	1 5 0	53	5 0 0	2 10 0
3	5 0 0	1 5 0	54	5 0 0	2 10 0
4	5 0 0	1 5 0	98	1 0 0	6 0 0
5	5 1 34	1 7 6	99	1 0 0	5 0 0
6	4 0 26	1 0 0	100	1 0 0	5 0 0
7	1 3 16	1 10 0	101	1 0 0	5 0 0
8	1 3 23	1 0 0	102	1 0 0	5 0 0
9	1 0 0	0 10 0	103	1 0 0	5 0 0
10	1 0 0	0 10 0	104	1 0 11	5 0 0
11	1 0 0	0 10 0	105	1 0 0	8 0 0
12	1 0 0	0 10 0	106	1 3 7	6 0 0
13	1 0 0	0 10 0	107	1 0 0	3 0 0
14	1 0 0	0 10 0	108	1 0 0	3 0 0
15	1 0 0	0 10 0	109	1 0 0	3 0 0
16	1 0 0	0 10 0	110	1 0 0	4 0 0
17	1 0 0	0 10 0	111	1 2 22	6 0 0
18	1 0 0	0 10 0	112	5 2 12	3 0 0
19	1 0 0	0 10 0	113	4 3 11	2 0 0
20	1 0 0	0 10 0	114	5 3 19	2 10 0
21	1 0 0	0 10 0	115	6 0 0	3 0 0
22	1 0 20	1 0 0	116	6 0 0	3 0 0
23	1 0 0	0 17 6	117	8 1 1	5 0 0
24	1 0 0	0 10 0	122	1 1 1	8 0 0
25	1 0 0	0 10 0	123	1 2 19	5 0 0
26	1 1 17	1 0 0	124	1 2 12	10 0 0
33	0 3 39	1 0 0	125	1 0 9	5 0 0
34	1 0 0	1 0 0	126	1 0 0	3 0 0
35	1 0 23	1 0 0	127	1 0 0	3 0 0
36	1 2 10	0 15 0	128	1 0 0	3 0 0
37	1 2 38	0 15 0	130	5 1 23	2 10 0
38	2 0 7	1 0 0	131	5 0 0	2 0 0
51	6 0 33	3 0 0	132	5 0 0	2 0 0

There are eight springs in all on the block, of which two flow into the small lake south-east of Ratahi-iti, three into Ratahi-iti Lake, and three into Makarika Stream. There is a low hill to the southward of each group of thermal springs. These hills, with the rocks on the one to the eastward and some native bush on the one to the westward, make Te Puia picturesque, especially with the lakes and the undulating country.

The soil is fairly good on some parts of the township, the roughest portion being on the north-west side. Here the soil is not so good, and the land consists of low fern hills with a small portion of flat. The sections north of Lake Ratahi-iti have good soil, but they do not face the sun, and there is some swamp at the north-east corner of the lake. The soil on both sides of the Waipiro Road is good, both north-east of Lake Ratahi-iti and on the southern portion of the township. The country to the eastward is poor flat land with small manuka, fern, &c., and swampy in places.

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There is a nice sweet stream of cold water close to the hot spring in the centre of the Waipiro Road; there is also good water near the Maori whare, north-east corner of the township.

The distance from the township to Waipiro Bay is about three miles, and to Tokomaru Bay about six miles.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 4th December, 1899.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands will be offered for lease by auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Tuesday, the 6th February, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—ONAMALUTU SURVEY DISTRICT.

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

Run No. 140: Area, 1,860 acres; upset annual rental, £12.

Run No. 142: Area, 1,670 acres; upset annual rental, £11. Terms, twenty-one years.

Description of Land.

Run No. 140: Broken pastoral country, well watered; poor soil, covered with fern and scrub; accessible by road; twenty-three miles from Blenheim.

Run No. 142: Broken pastoral country, well watered; covered with fern and scrub; accessible by road; about twenty-four miles from Blenheim.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in Otago for Lease by Public Auction.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Wednesday, the 31st day of January, 1900:—

PASTORAL LANDS.

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

Sections 13, 14, 15, and 17, Block VII., Table Hill District, Bruce County: Area, 700 acres and 24 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £8 15s.; valuation for improvements, £60. Situated about three miles north-east of Manuka Railway-station, on the Lawrence-Milton line; highest point, 1,330 ft. Possession on day of sale.

Runs 170b, 170c, 170d, 170e, Tuapeka County: Area, 5,990 acres; term, five years; upset annual rental, £74 17s. 6d. This land is of fairly good quality, broken, and mostly open; watered by the branches of the Clutha River. Situated about twenty-three miles from Lawrence; altitude, 700 ft. to 1,930 ft. Possession on day of sale.

Runs 137, 137A, 137b, 137c, and 137d, Tuapeka County: Area, 9,091 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £75 15s. 2d. Mostly open ridgy land growing silver-and snow-tussock, with a little grass. Situated from nine to thirteen miles from Lawrence; altitude, 800 ft. to 2,400 ft. Possession on day of sale.

Run 17c, Waitaki County: Area, 626 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £10; valuation for improvements, £76 13s. This run, which is part of the old Ben Lomond Run, is purely pastoral country, very steep; watered. Situated about five miles from Livingstone. Possession on day of sale.

Sections 2 and 3, Block V., part Section 12, Block IX., Section 11, Block IX., and Section 17, Block X., Teviot District, Tuapeka County: Area, 7,509 acres 2 roods 15 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25; valuation for improvements, £200 15s. Hilly pastoral country; well watered. Situated about three miles from Roxburgh. Possession on day of sale.

Run 129, Clutha County: Area, 12,040 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £150 10s. Part of the Clutha Trust Endowment. Situated about nine miles south-west of Warepa Railway-station, in a direct line. Watered by the Upper Catlin's River. Possession on day of sale.

Runs 24, 240b, 245, 245a, 245b, 245c, 245d, 340, and 340a (grouped), Lake and Vincent Counties: Area, 148,413 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £500; valuation for improvements, £2,207. These runs, which comprise the Mount Pisa Station, consist of high pastoral country; well watered. Situated about ten miles from Cromwell. Possession 1st March, 1900.

Sections 7 and 8, and part of Section 3, Block III., Cairn-hill District; parts of Sections 3 and 4, Block VIII., Teviot District; Sections 4, 6, 7, and 8, and parts of Sections 2 and 3, Block V.; part of Section 12, Block IX.; Section 2, Block VIII.; and Section 46, Block II., Teviot District and part of Whitecomb District (grouped), Vincent and Tuapeka Counties: Area, 18,267 acres; term, eleven years; upset annual rental, £150. Situated between the Clutha River and summit of the Old Man Range, about five miles north of Roxburgh. Possession on 1st March, 1900. Valuation for improvements on this run to be paid before licensee is let into possession, in terms of section 207 of "The Land Act, 1892."

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

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

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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.
			A. R. P.	£ s. d.
Rimutaka ..	48, 56, and part 44	V.	95 2 32	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.

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	"			
35	"	24 0 7	15 6	9 6 4
36	"	63 0 39	16 0	25 5 11
37	"	122 3 34	17 6	49 12 0
40	"			
38	"	40 2 39	17 0	17 6 4
39	"	24 3 4	17 6	10 16 9
40	II.	94 2 20	14 0	33 2 5
41	"	80 3 27	14 0	28 6 5
42	"	12 0 5	15 6	4 13 3
43	"	12 3 19	15 6	4 19 9
44	"	29 3 13	15 3	11 7 6

* 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.
HANMER SPRINGS TOWNSHIP.			
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
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.

Section in Ongo Survey District, Wellington, for Lease by Public Auction.

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

THE under-mentioned section will be offered for lease by public auction, at the Survey Office, Wanganui, on Wednesday, the 3rd January, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—KIWI TEA COUNTY.

License to occupy under Section 116, "Land Act, 1892."

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rent.
Ongo ..	13	XII.	A. R. P. 33 1 0	£ s. d. 3 6 6

Term: Year to year.

This section is situated in the Otamakapua Block, on the Tapuae Ridge Road. The access is from Feilding and Waituna Village. The section is about twenty-four miles distant from the former and seven miles from the latter by a good dray-road. It comprises hilly land, with a few acres level. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest has suffered from fires; a few rimu, hinau, and tawa trees are still standing. The section is fairly well watered at present by small streams.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

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

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

3. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may at any time resume possession of the whole or any portion of the land comprised in the license.

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

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

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

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

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

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

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
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.
48	XV.	A. R. P. 9 1 0	s. d. 15 9	£ s. d. 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
58	"	93 0 0	12 9	11 4 3
60	"	108 0 0	12 6	29 12 10
61	"	145 2 0	12 6	33 15 0
62	"	165 2 0	13 0	47 5 9
63	"	167 0 0	11 6	48 12 4
65	"	128 0 0	11 6	13 2 5
66	"	126 1 0	12 3	48 0 3
			12 6	39 4 0
				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.

Village-homestead Allotments, Otago, open for Lease on Application.

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

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office on Wednesday, the 3rd day of January, 1900.

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

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Village-homestead Allotments.—First-class Land.

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

CLUTHA COUNTY.

			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Glenomaru	71	VI.	7	1	8	3	5.2	0	12	0
Level land of a light sandy nature, situated at the junction of Catlin's and Owaka Rivers, about one mile and a half from Owaka Post-office and School. Valuation for improvements, payable with application, or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £50 2s. 6d.										

MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

Maniototo	29	XI.	11	2	11	1	0	0	6	0
Undulating and level agricultural land; not well watered; situated about ten miles from Naseby and one mile from Waipiata School and Post-office by good road.										

Maniototo	{ 21, 22 }	XVI.	49	2	8	0	7.2	0	15	0
Open, level land, partly flat; dry; situated near the Otago Central Railway, about seven miles from Hyde. Valuation for improvements, payable with application, or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £29 13s. 9d.										

CLUTHA COUNTY.

Woodland	48	VII.	28	1	0	0	7.2	0	8	5
"	49	"	16	1	0	0	7.2	0	4	10
"	50	"	27	3	0	0	7.2	0	8	5
"	51	"	29	2	0	0	7.2	0	9	0

Heavy bush land of fair quality; watered; situated ten miles from Owaka and seventeen miles from Glenomaru Railway-station.

Warepa ..	60	I.	27	0	36	0	9.6	0	10	10
Hilly land, partly bush and partly open; soil fair; watered. Distance from Waitapeka Railway-station, eight miles.										

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 13th November, 1899.

THE under-mentioned lands will be open for selection at the Lands and Survey Office, Napier, on Friday, 5th January, 1900.

If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 10 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.

Village Allotments, opened under the Optional System.

Block.	Section.	Area.	Cash Price per Section.	Yearly Rental.	
				O.R.P. System.	L.P. System.
WEBER DISTRICT.					
V.	29*	A. R. P. 1 0 0	£ s. d. 5 0 0	£ s. d. 0 5 0	£ s. d. 0 4 0
WHETUKURA VILLAGE.					
..	39	0 2 5	7 10 0	0 7 6	0 6 0
..	45	0 2 27	10 0 0	0 10 0	0 8 0

* Weighted with £5 for improvements.

On Section 29, Block V., Weber Survey District, there is a small hut, erected two years ago, while the land is laid down in grass, and the section is ring-fenced.

The two Whetukura Village sections have both been occupied, but no improvements have been effected of any value.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Wellington Land District, open for Application.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, in terms of section 39 of "The Victoria College Act, 1897," at

the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on and after Wednesday, the 10th January, 1900, at the half-yearly rentals noted below. In case of more than one application for the same run on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—PATEA COUNTY.—NUKUMARU SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.
			s.	d.	
1	I.	A. R. P. 2,200 0 0	1	0	£ s. d. 55 0 0
1B	I., V.	1,780 0 0	1	0	44 10 0

Locality and Description of Runs.

This land is situated on the Waitotara River. Section 1 contains 2,200 acres, and Section 1B 1,780 acres, consisting of good birch ridges but very narrow valleys. The timber is tawa, rata, rimu, &c., with the usual undergrowth, and the land will make good sheep-country, estimated to carry two sheep to the acre. On Section 1 there is a good homestead-site north of the road dividing the lots, where there is a clearing of from 5 to 7 acres. On Section 1B there are two good flats on the Waitotara River, estimated to contain 15 to 20 acres each, one of which has from 8 to 10 acres cleared and in grass, which would enable a homestead to be erected immediately. There is a dray-road already made for seven miles from Waitotara Township, and a 6-ft. bridle-track formed on to the Waitotara River, dividing the two blocks. The nearest part of the reserve is about ten miles from Waitotara by the formed road.

CONDITIONS.

1. The term of lease is twenty-one years, with the option of renewal for a further period of twenty-one years at a rent to be fixed by valuation, and improvements being secured to lessee as provided by "The Land Act, 1892," section-182. Each lessee is required to make the declaration as per form printed below.
2. No person can lease more than one run.
3. Residence on small grazing-runs is compulsory, and commences within three years in bush or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, unless the lessee obtain the consent of the Land Board to reside on other land in his occupation.
4. Permanent improvements must be effected equal to one year's rental by the end of the first year, two years' rental by the end of the second year, and four years' rental at the end of the sixth year; and on bush land, in addition thereto, improvements must be made to the value of 10s. an acre if first-class land, or of 5s. an acre if second-class land.
5. One half-year's rent and £1 ls. for the lease, must be paid immediately the application is declared successful; the rent to be paid half-yearly in advance during the term of the lease.
6. The lessee has no right to purchase any part of the land; but he can select 150 acres around the homestead through which no road can be taken or other public privilege exercised without compensation.

DECLARATION.

- I, _____, of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare—
1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.
 2. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease of _____
 3. That I am purchasing such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whatever.
 4. That I am not already the holder of any such lease in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such lease.
 5. That I am not the holder of any run under Part VI. of the aforesaid Act, nor have I any interest in any such run.
 6. That I do not own any freehold land or land held by lease or license of any kind whatever anywhere in the colony, either by myself or jointly with any other person, which, exclusive of the land I am now purchasing the lease of, will exceed in area 1,000 acres.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 189____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

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.—WHAKATANE 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.
529	Waikaia	A. R. P. 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 ls. 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 ..	Hoteo Parish	87, 88	..	A. R. P. 390 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 3.84	5 8 6
Subject to £125 for improvements. Generally open land of good quality. Thirteen miles from Huntly.										

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 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 Wednesday, 10th January, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND 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.
Otamatea	Tokatoka	35	XI.	A. R. P. 77 2 0	£ s. d. 2 10 0	£ s. d. 193 15 0	s. d. 2 6	£ s. d. 4 17 0	s. d. 1 11.8	£ s. d. 3 17 6

Rich reclaimed swamp land, accessible from Raupo Wharf and Tokatoka.

GERHARD MUELLER,
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.	A. R. P. s. d. 48 1 0	£ s. d. 24 0 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 0 12 0	s. d. 0 4·8	£ s. d. 0 9 8	Situated 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	Situated at Herekino, and adjoining the harbour. Generally open land.
Hokianga..	Whangape..	60	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	Situated 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..	Otau*	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.

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

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

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be submitted to public auction, at this office, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1900, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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

County.	Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
Wallace ..	427	Titiroa ..	3,200 acres	£ s. d. 5 0 0	14 years.
" ..	441	Manapouri ..	2,600 "	5 0 0	14 "
Lake and Southland	438 and 452	Eyre North, Eyreside, Mavora, and Black Hill	55,690 "	5 0 0	12 "

Run No. 427 is fairly level open country, covered with fern and tussock. Distance, about forty-five miles from Mossburn Railway-station.

Run No. 441 is covered with fern and tussock; mostly open ridgy country. Distance, about forty-five miles from Mossburn Railway-station.

Runs No. 438 and 452 (grouped) are high broken country, about twenty-one miles from Queenstown.

Possession will be given on 1st March, 1901. The purchaser must deposit a statutory declaration, as required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and the license-fee on the fall of the hammer. Valuations for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Invercargill, before the licensee will be let into possession.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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	Yrs. 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.
Situating about thirteen miles from Wyndham Township. Land good black soil, mostly covered with light scrub.
D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Land, Ashburton District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

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

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on and after Wednesday, 7th February, 1900.

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—ASHBURTON COUNTY.—ASHBURTON SURVEY DISTRICT.—RESERVE 1769.

Village-homestead Allotment.—First-class Surveyed Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
11	VIII.	A. R. P. 10 0 0	s. d. 4 0	£ s. d. 1 0 0

This section is situated in the Chertsey Village Settlement, fronting on the Main South Road, about a quarter of a mile north-eastward from the Chertsey Railway station, and comprises open, level, plain land of fair light quality. The section has improvements on it to the value of £29, of which £9 must be paid by the successful applicant on approval of his application, and the balance may, if desired, remain as a charge upon the land for a period not exceeding five years, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly in advance, at the same time as the half-yearly payments of rent.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

1. The land enumerated hereon is first-class land, and is a village-homestead allotment, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 7th day of February, 1900.

3. The rental stated hereon shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.

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

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

6. The successful applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent and the valuation for improvements (if desired, £20 of the value of the improvements may remain as a charge upon the land for a period not exceeding five years, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum), together with the lease- and registration-fee, immediately upon being declared the successful applicant.

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

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

9. The lessee shall not subdivide, sublet, or transfer the land held by him under these regulations, except under and subject to the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.

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

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
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

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

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 29th November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that applications have been made to a Judge of the Court for certificates under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienations hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificates must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

[Sec. 55, 99-27.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (99-264) ..	4th November, 1899 ..	Ngarara West C ..	Wi Parata Waipunahau to Hemi Matenga Waipunahau.
2	Security on wool (99-265)	20th November, 1899	Ohiti-Waitio ..	Taranaki te Umairangi to John Roberts and Alfred Henry Mills (Murray, Roberts, and Co.).
3	Mortgage on sheep and cattle (99-266)	20th November, 1899	Ohiti-Waitio ..	Taranaki te Umairangi to John Roberts and Alfred Henry Mills (Murray, Roberts, and Co.).
4	Transfer (99-280) ..	27th November, 1899	Hutt, Section 16, Sub-division 26	Ena te Puni and others to Alexander Leslie.
5	Transfer (99-281) ..	27th November, 1899	Hutt, Section 16, Sub-divisions 26 and 27	Rangiwhaia te Puni to Alexander Leslie.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 5th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Wellington on the 12th day of December, 1899, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 99-74.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS, UNDER SUBSECTION (3) OF SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR EXCHANGE OF LANDS.

No.	Names of Applicants.	Names of Lands to be exchanged.
316	{ Ngamako te Rango, and Raumaewa te Rango (trustee for Pango Raumaewa)	Taraketi No. 2. Awarua No. 1A No. 2 East No. 1.
317	{ Ngamako te Rango Raumaewa te Rango	Motukawa No. 2A. Awarua No. 1A No. 2 East No. 1.

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Minor.	Name of Land.
332	Deputy Public Trustee	Kerehoma (te Raro) te Rangika-tuakina	Te Whiti North, Subdivision 2.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 6th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Native Appellate Court will sit at Greytown North on the 19th day of December, 1899, to hear and determine the appeal from the decision of the Native Land Court set forth in the Schedule hereto. All persons interested in the said application are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

[Wellington, 99-75.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Appellant.	Name of Land.	Decision appealed against.
1	Mitai Mikaera (Wai. 98-7, 2/271)	Otaupuaroro No. 3 and Te Iringa-o-te-Whakamana	Decision of 16th September, 1898, appointing successors to Aperahama Matenga, deceased.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the Public Trustee for Management during the Month of November, 1899.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Order, or Date of Filing of Election to administer.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Anderson, James Alexander	Outram .. ..	.. ..	2 Nov., 1899	29 Aug., 1899	Will annexed.
2	Auld, Thomas	Caversham	Scotland	13 Nov., 1899	9 Oct., 1899	.. ..
3	Baker, Jesse	Auckland.. ..	England	15 Nov., 1899	5 Oct., 1899	.. ..
4	Boon, Sarah	Upper Riccarton .. ..	.. ..	2 Nov., 1899	9 Sept., 1899	Will annexed.
5	Boyce, Frederick	Cheviot .. ..	.. ..	13 Nov., 1899	24 June, 1899	.. ..
6	Carter, Henry	Auckland.. ..	.. ..	3 Nov., 1899	19 Oct., 1899	Relatives known.
7	Dickson, Barkly Gillespie	Westport.. ..	Spain	23 Nov., 1899	7 Nov., 1897	.. ..
8	Dowse, Thomas Smith	Lyttelton .. ..	.. ..	2 Nov., 1899	9 Sept., 1899	Probate.
9	Gardiner, John	Taihape .. ..	.. ..	13 Nov., 1899	8 Aug., 1899	.. ..
10	Gibson, William	Dunedin .. ..	.. ..	17 Nov., 1899	8 Sept., 1871	.. ..
11	Grooby, Edward	Pangatotara .. ..	.. ..	16 Nov., 1899	2 Oct., 1899	Probate.
12	Gunn, Donald	Rae's Junction .. ..	.. ..	2 Nov., 1899	3 Oct., 1899	.. ..
13	Hammond, Annie Harriet	Palmerston South.. ..	.. ..	15 Nov., 1899	26 Oct., 1899	Relatives known.
14	Hunter, Mary .. ..	.. ..	Eaglesham, Scotland	20 Nov., 1899	28 Feb., 1899	.. ..
15	Isser, Ali	Auckland.. ..	Calcutta	29 Nov., 1899	8 Oct., 1899	.. ..
16	Jacobs, Janet	Dunedin .. ..	.. ..	16 Nov., 1899	18 Oct., 1899	Relatives known.
17	Mansell, Thomas	Westport.. ..	.. ..	11 Nov., 1899	5 Oct., 1899	.. ..
18	Pana, Joseph	Coonoor .. ..	.. ..	2 Nov., 1899	23 Sept., 1899	.. ..
19	Parsons, Frederick William	Ngahere .. ..	.. ..	28 Nov., 1899	16 Sept., 1899	.. ..
20	Pitt, William	Auckland.. ..	Queensland	17 Nov., 1899	About 16 Mar., 1891	Probate.
21	Propsting, Sidney	Blenheim .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	4 Sept., 1899	.. ..
22	Rutson, Harriet.. ..	Woodville .. ..	.. ..	2 Nov., 1899	14 June, 1899	Probate.
23	Shea, Michael	Palmerston North.. ..	Ireland	23 Nov., 1899	10 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
24	White, Archie	Sydenham .. ..	.. ..	16 Nov., 1899	16 Oct., 1899	Probate.

Dated the 29th day of November, 1899.

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

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM ROBERT LINLEY, of Wellington, Second-hand Dealer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 12th day of December, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 5th December, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ALEXANDER MCKILLOP, of Mataura, Bootmaker, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 11th day of December, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 28th November, 1899.

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

THE OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.—1 rood, being Section 6, Block LVI., Town of Invercargill. Occupied by Thomas Brown. No. 2736.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 25th day of November, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 8th day of January, 1900.

2876. MARY JANE CLARK DAVIDSON and ALFRED JUDD.—46 acres 2 roods 16 perches, part Sections 14 and 240, Hutt District. Part Section 14 occupied by Mrs. Davidson, and part Section 240 unoccupied.

2937. EDWARD WASHINGTON GIBBS.—22.4 perches, part Section 577, City of Wellington. Occupied by weekly tenants under Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

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

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

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APPLICATION having been made to me to issue a provisional certificate of title in the name of SAMUEL COPPING, of Oamaru, Caretaker of the North Road Recreation Ground, for Section 31, Block I., Township of Opoho, being the land contained in Register-book, Vol. xxvi., folio 220, and satisfactory evidence having been lodged of the loss of the original certificate of title, I hereby give notice that I shall issue a provisional certificate of title for the said section, as requested, at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of publication hereof.

Dated at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin, this 4th day of December, 1899.

H. TURTON,
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.

8647. WILLIAM SMITH.—182 acres 2 roods 11 perches, Rural Sections 1121 and 1585, and part of Rural Section 1538, Block XI., Rangiora Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8651. JAMES JAMIESON and WILLIAM GRAHAM JAMIESON.—19½ perches, parts of Sections 1009, 1010, 1011, and 1012, City of Christchurch. Occupied by S. Skinner and G. J. Merrie.

8696. THOMAS McCLATCHIE.—1 rood 7 perches, Section 673 and parts of Sections 672 and 674, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Mary Ann Wallace.

8699. The MAYOR, COUNCILLORS, and BURGESSES of the BOROUGH of KAIAPOI.—3 acres 1 rood 6 perches, part of Rural Section 319, Block XV., Rangiora Survey District. Partly in use as a public road, and partly occupied by Robert Kelly and Christopher Quick.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,

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District Land Registrar.

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

1312. ALICE MAUD RICHARDSON, of Westport, Widow.—2 roods 20 perches, Sections 107 and 108, Westport. Occupied by Applicant and one Henry Robert Price respectively.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

H. W. ROBINSON,

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District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of WILLIAM HENRY PARSONS, of Motueka, Farmer, for parts of Sections 41 and 42, Square 3, District of Motueka, certificate of title, Vol. ii., folio 238, and evidence having been lodged with me as to the loss of the original certificate, I hereby give notice that I will issue such provisional certificate as requested at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

H. W. ROBINSON,

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District Land Registrar.

Mining Notice.

THE BARRIER REEFS GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the company, duly convened, and held at the office of the company, New Zealand Insurance Company's Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland, on the 7th day of November, 1899, the subjoined resolution was duly passed, and at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting of the said company, also duly convened, and held at the same place on the 28th day of November, 1899, the subjoined resolution was duly confirmed:—

"That the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of 'The Companies Act, 1882,' and that Henry Gilfillan the younger, of Queen Street, Auckland, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up."

Dated at Auckland, this 29th day of November, 1899.

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,

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Secretary.

Private Advertisement.

"THE CANTERBURY COLLEGE AND CANTERBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE ACT, 1896," AND THE REGULATIONS MADE THEREUNDER.

THE Honourable Edward Cephas John Stevens, M.L.C., of Christchurch, being the only person duly nominated to fill the ordinary vacancy on the Board of Governors of the Canterbury Agricultural College by such members of the Legislative Council as for the time being are resident within the Provincial District of Canterbury, and by such of the members of the House of Representatives as for the time being represent electoral districts within that provincial district; and

Robert Heaton Rhodes, of Tai Tapu, being the only person duly nominated to fill the ordinary vacancy on the said Board by the agricultural and pastoral societies duly incorporated under "The Agricultural and Pastoral Societies Act, 1877," having their principal offices in the Provincial District of Canterbury;

Also Henry Arthur Knight, of Racecourse Hill, and William F. McLean Buckley, of Dunsandel, being the only persons duly nominated to fill the two casual vacancies on the said Board by the agricultural and pastoral societies duly incorporated under "The Agricultural and Pastoral

Societies Act, 1877," having their principal offices in the Provincial District of Canterbury,—

I hereby declare the said

EDWARD CEPHAS JOHN STEVENS,

ROBERT HEATON RHODES,

HENRY ARTHUR KNIGHT, and

WILLIAM F. McLEAN BUCKLEY

to be duly elected to fill the said vacancies by the said electors.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1899.

JOHN BAYNE,

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Returning Officer.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF-MUTES, SUMNER, NEAR CHRISTCHURCH.

Under the control and supervision of the Education Department.

Director: Mr. G. VAN ASCH.

FOR Deaf Children of sound intellect. The pupils are taught to use and understand ordinary speech. The best age for entrance is between six and seven.

The full charge for board and education is £40 a year, but less is accepted from parents who cannot afford to pay this amount. In case of necessity admission is free.

Parents having dumb children between the ages of four and seven, and other persons desiring information with regard to the school, are invited to apply to

THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION,
Wellington.

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