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Land set apart for Settlement.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

TANGIHUA BLOCK.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 4,659 acres 3 roods 17 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11, of Block IV., Maungaru Survey District; and Sections Nos. 37 and 38 of Block II., Tangihua Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 42423, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

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Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

PUKETARATA No. 2 BLOCK.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3,026 acres 3 roods 29 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1 and 5 of Block I., and 1 and 2 of Block II., Mangaorongo Survey District; Sections Nos. 1 and 3 of Block XIII., and 1, 2, 4, and 5, of Block XIV., Puniu Survey District; as the same are delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 42474, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

ERRATA.—In warrant temporarily reserving land, published in *Gazette* No. 92, of 10th November, 1899, page 2083, under the heading of "Hawke's Bay," read "Section No. 133, Block VII., Patutahi Survey District," instead of "Section No. 113, Block VII., Patutahi Survey District." In same *Gazette*, page 2086, "Justices of the Peace appointed," for "Webber J. Wallace, Esq., of Elmslie's Bay," read "Wallace Thomas Webber, Esq., of Elmslie's Bay"; and for "William Henry Sales, Esq., of Totara North," read "William Henry Sales, Esq., of Totara North."

Proclaiming a Road as closed through Land in Section 17, Block XI., Waipoua Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed part of the road in the Waipoua Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

| Approximate Area of Road to be closed. | Being Road between Sections | Block. | Survey District. | Shown on Plan marked | Coloured on Plan |
|--|-----------------------------|--------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| A. R. P. 6 2 26 | 17 and 17A of Section 2 | XI. | Waipoua | 11404 | Green. |

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

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Block V., Tiriraukawa Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road in Block V., Tiriraukawa Survey District, hereinafter described, that is to say:—

| Approximate Area of the Portion of Road to be closed. | Being Portion of | Block. | Survey District. | Shown on Plan marked | Coloured on Plan |
|---|--------------------------|--------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| A. R. P. 6 1 3 | 3B, Pohonui-a-tane Block | V. | Tiriraukawa | 97 57 | Green. |

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

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of Land for Road in Pohonui-a-tane Block 3b, Tiriraukawa Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

| Approximate Area of Land taken. | Being Portion of | Block | Survey District. | Shown on Plan marked | Coloured on Plan |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| A. R. P. 7 0 14 | 3B, Pohonui-a-tane Blk. | V. | Tiriraukawa | 97 57 | Red. |

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

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of Land for Road in Section 17, Block XI., Waipoua Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

| Approximate Area of Land taken. | Being Part of Section No. | Block. | Survey District. | Shown on Plan marked | Coloured on Plan |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| A. R. P. 5 1 5 | 17 | XI. | Waipoua | 11404 | Red. |

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of Land for a Road in Section 25, Block VI., Pohangina Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

| Approximate Area. | Being Portion of Section No. | Block. | Survey District of | Shown on Plan marked | Coloured on Plan |
|--------------------|------------------------------|--------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| A. R. P. 0 1 24 | 25 | VI. | Pohangina | $\frac{96}{34F}$ | Green. |

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

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Additional Land in Opawa District taken for the Purposes of the Picton-Hurunui Railway.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
(L.S.) ROBERT STOUT.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Picton-Hurunui Railway to take further land in Opawa District, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on me by sections twenty-eight and one hundred and sixty-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is taken for the purposes above mentioned.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

| Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken. | Being Portion of Section No. | Situated in Block No. | Situated in the Survey District of |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| A. R. P. 6 1 35 | 17, Opawa District | II. | Clifford Bay. |
| 9 2 35 | 17, Opawa District | II. | Clifford Bay. |

All in the Land District of Marlborough; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18756, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured blue and yellow.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Terms and Conditions of Village-homestead Allotments in Wellington.

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 one-hundred-and-sixty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that the Governor in Council may fix the terms and conditions upon which the lands in any village settlement shall be disposed of, subject as in the said section is provided: And whereas by a Proclamation made under the said Act on the twenty-eighth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, the lands described in the First Schedule hereto have been set apart under the said Act and declared open for lease as village settlements, and it is expedient to fix the terms and conditions upon which the said lands shall be disposed of:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby fix the terms and conditions on which the lands mentioned in the First Schedule hereto shall be disposed of by way of lease in perpetuity, and which said terms and conditions are set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, and also doth direct that the lands shall be leased as village-homestead allotments only.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—RANGITIKEI COUNTY.—MANGAWEKA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

| Section. | Area. | Rent per Acre. | | |
|----------|--------------------|----------------|----|-----|
| | | £ | s. | d. |
| 107 | A. R. P. 1 2 13 | 0 | 12 | 7·7 |
| 110 | 1 0 10 | 0 | 18 | 9·9 |
| 114 | 2 0 26 | 0 | 13 | 4 |
| | | £ | s. | d. |
| | | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 14 | 5 |

These sections are situated in Mangaweka Suburbs, the access being from that township by unformed street. Section 107 comprises easy slopes or nearly flat land; Section 110 is hilly and easy-sloping land; Section 114 is sloping land, partly easy and partly steep. The soil on all the sections is of good quality, resting on papa formation; the forest is all felled and burned, and the land is grassed. Section 107 is now watered by surface-drainage, Section 110 by a permanent stream, and Section 114 is not watered by any stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,100 ft. to 1,200 ft. above sea-level. Section 114 is weighted with £4 4s. 2d. for fencing.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

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

2. The day on which the lands shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 21st day of February, 1900.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. No lessee shall subdivide, sublet, or transfer the land held by him under these regulations, except under and subject to the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 26 acres, more or less, known as Wade's Island, Turanga Creek, and being Section No. 133, Pakuranga Parish.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Victoria Park, Kaponga, brought under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres, more or less, being Sections Nos. 29, 30, and 31, Block XI., Kaupokonui Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the Eltham Road, 687 links; towards the east by a road, 437 links; towards the south by Sections Nos. 40, 39, and 38, 687 links; and towards the west by Section No. 28, 437 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, New Plymouth.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Public Domains Act, 1881," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby revoke a certain Order in Council, dated the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, making delegation of certain powers in manner as therein appears; and doth hereby, with the like advice and consent, and in respect of the land hereinafter mentioned, delegate all the powers conferred by the said Act, except the powers conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, for the period of ten years from the date hereof (unless previously altered or revoked under the said Act), to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Taupo Domain Board, namely,—

JOSEPH GALLAGHER, of Taupo, hotelkeeper;
WILLIAM GEORGE NOBLE, of Taupo, storekeeper;
JOSEPH RICKIT, of Taupo, storekeeper;
JOSEPH CROWTHER, of Taupo, coach-proprietor; and
ROBERT ROSS, of Taupo, hotelkeeper

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the third Tuesday in each month, at half-past seven o'clock p.m., at Taupo, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Tuesday, the sixteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred.

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

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

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

5. The Board shall prepare and submit at each annual meeting a report of the proceedings of the Board for the previous year ending on the thirty-first day of December, together with a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Board for such year. A copy of every such report and statement, certified by the Chairman to be correct, shall be sent to the Minister of Lands as soon as possible after each annual meeting.

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

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

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

And with the like advice and consent as aforesaid doth hereby also order that this delegation shall take effect in respect of the parcels of Crown lands described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 9 acres 2 roods 26 perches, more or less, being part of recreation reserve situated in the Township of Taupo. Bounded towards the north by a right line bearing south 85° 8' east, 1529 links; towards the south-east by Tongariro Road, 1333 links; towards the south-west by a public road fronting Lake Taupo, 1372 links; and towards the north-west by a public road: exclusive of Lots 1 and 2, Section 34, Township of Taupo aforesaid.

Also, all that parcel of land, being Section No. 2, Block II., Tauhara Survey District, Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 16 acres 1 rood 4 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by a line, 1100 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 3 1273 links, the crossing of a road-line 100 links, and by Section No. 3 aforesaid 202 links; towards the south-west by a line, 1100 links; towards the north-west by a line 113 links, the crossing of a road-line 109 links, and a line 1353 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

Also, all that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being part of Section No. 4 of Block II., Tauhara Survey District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre and 36 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north and east by other part of Section No. 4, Block II., Tauhara, Survey District, 350 links and 350 links respectively; towards the south by part of the southern boundary of Section No. 4 aforesaid, 350 links; and towards the west by other portion of Section No. 4 aforesaid, 350 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Powers delegated to the Victoria Park, Kaponga, Domain Board, under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twelfth section of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred, save as is therein mentioned, to any person or persons, for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order, and that every such delegation may from time to time in like manner be altered or revoked: And whereas, pursuant to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," by an Order in Council of even date herewith, the land described in the Schedule hereto, situate in the Taranaki Land District, is declared to be brought under the operation of and to be subject to the provisions of the said "Public Domains Act, 1881":

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby and in respect of the

land hereinafter mentioned, delegate all the powers conferred by the said Act except the powers conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, for the period of ten years from the date hereof (unless previously altered or revoked under the said Act) to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Victoria Park, Kaponga, Domain Board, namely,—

JOHN ROBERTSON, of Kaponga, Builder;
FREDERICK JOHN ERNEST GAPPER, of Kaponga, Farmer;
JOHN HENRY FRETHERY, of Kaponga, Clerk;
CHARLES BATES, of Kaponga, Farmer;
ROBERT LAW, of Kaponga, Farmer; and
COLIN SINCLAIR WALKER, of Kaponga, Carpenter

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the second Wednesday in each month, at eight o'clock p.m., at the Kaponga Athenæum, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Wednesday, the tenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred.

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

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

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

5. The Board shall prepare and submit at each annual meeting a report of the proceedings of the Board for the previous year ending on the 31st day of December, together with a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Board for such year. A copy of every such report and statement, certified by the Chairman to be correct, shall be sent to the Minister of Lands as soon as possible after each annual meeting.

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

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

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

And with the like advice and consent as aforesaid doth hereby also order that this delegation shall take effect in respect of the parcel of Crown lands described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres, more or less, being Sections Nos. 29, 30, and 31, Block XI., Kaipokonui Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the Eltham Road, 687 links; towards the east by a road, 437 links; towards the south by Sections Nos. 40, 39, and 38, 687 links; and towards the west by Section No. 28, 437 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, New Plymouth.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twelfth section of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred, save as is therein mentioned, to any person or persons, for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order, and that every such delegation may

from time to time in like manner be altered or revoked: And whereas, pursuant to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," by an Order in Council of even date herewith, the land described in the Schedule hereto, situate in the Auckland Land District, is declared to be brought under the operation of and to be subject to the provisions of the said "Public Reserves Act, 1881":

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby, and in respect of the land hereinafter mentioned, delegate all the powers conferred by the Act first above mentioned, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, for the period of ten years from the date hereof (unless previously altered or revoked under the said Act), to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Turanga Domain Board, namely,—

HENRY BROOMFIELD, Turanga Creek, Farmer;
HARRY GRANGER, Turanga Creek, Brickmaker;
CARL OTTO EMANUEL MOLZER, Turanga Creek, Gentleman;
HERBERT WILLIAM SHAW, Turanga Creek, Gentleman;
FREDRIC TRICE, Turanga Creek, Farmer;
AMBROSE TRUST, Turanga Creek, Farmer; and
LEMUEL HENRY WHITE, Turanga Creek, Farmer

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the first Monday in the months of January, April, July, and October in each year, at half-past seven o'clock p.m., at the Turanga Creek Public Schoolhouse, or at such other times or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Monday, the eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

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

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

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

5. The Board shall prepare and submit at each annual meeting a report of the proceedings for the previous year ending on the thirty-first day of December, together with a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Board for such year. A copy of every such report and statement, certified by the Chairman to be correct, shall be sent to the Minister of Lands as soon as possible after each annual meeting.

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

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

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

And with the like advice and consent as aforesaid doth hereby also order that this delegation shall take effect in respect of the parcel of Crown land described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 26 acres, more or less, known as Wade's Island, Turanga Creek, and being Section No. 133, Pakuranga Parish.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Changing the Purposes of Reserves in the Auckland and Wellington Land Districts.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

WHEREAS the provisions and the requirements of the seventh section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," have been duly complied with in respect of the lands described in the first column of the Schedule hereto: And whereas

notices in the *Gazette* have been duly published for four consecutive weeks, and laid before both Houses of the Assembly, as provided by the said section of the said Act: And whereas no resolution of either House of Assembly has been passed that such House does not concur in the intention declared in any such notices:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the Act aforesaid, do hereby change the specific purposes of the reserves described in the first column of the Schedule hereto to the specific purposes set opposite such descriptions in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

| FIRST COLUMN. Description and Original Purpose of Reserve. | SECOND COLUMN. Purpose. |
|---|--|
| AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT. | |
| All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being part of Section No. 3 of the Parish of Mangapai, and containing by admeasurement 3 roods, more or less. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 392 links; towards the east by a public road, 192 links; and towards the south and west by other portion of Section No. 3 of the Parish of Mangapai, 433 and 182 links respectively, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. Reserved on the 1st September, 1892, by a warrant published in <i>Gazette</i> No. 71, of the 8th September, 1892, as a public-hall site. | Site for a Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum. |
| All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 156b of the Parish of Omaha, and containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east and south-east by Section No. 156a of the Parish of Omaha, 250 and 200 links respectively; towards the south-west by Section No. 156b of the Parish of Omaha, 250 links; and towards the north-west by a public road, 200 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. Reserved on the 1st September, 1892, by a warrant published in <i>Gazette</i> No. 71, of the 8th September, 1892, as a public-hall site. | Site for Public Library, Mechanics' Institute, and Athenæum. |
| WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT. | |
| All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre, more or less, being Section No. 48, Township of Ohau. Bounded on the north by Section No. 49; on the east by Section No. 47; on the south by a public road; and on the west by Section No. 55: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. Reserved on the 24th October, 1890, by a warrant published in <i>Gazette</i> No. 60, of the 30th October, 1890, for public buildings. | Site for a Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum. |
| All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 3, Block VI., Taihape Township. Reserved on the 13th August, 1896, by a warrant published in <i>Gazette</i> No. 64, of the 20th August, 1896, for a public-hall site. | Site for a Mechanics' Institute and Library. |

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Animals Protection Act.—Declaring Reserve for Native and Imported Game, Little Barrier Island (Hauturu), Auckland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

PURSUANT to the powers conferred upon him by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand doth hereby notify that native and imported game shall not be taken or killed on the Little Barrier Island (Hauturu), Auckland Land District.

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

W. C. WALKER.

Notifying Lands in Southland 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 twenty-third 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 opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.
SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—LUMSDEN TOWNSHIP.

| Sections (inclusive). | Block. | Area. | Upset Price. |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|--------------|
| TOWN LAND. | | | |
| | | A. B. P. | £ s. d. |
| 6 | XVIII. | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 7 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 8 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| SUBURBAN LAND. | | | |
| 5 and 6 | XIX. | 2 0 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 8 | " | 1 0 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 1 and 12 | XX. | 2 0 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 3 and 10 | " | 2 0 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 6 and 7 | " | 2 0 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 3 and 10 | XXI. | 2 0 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 6 and 7 | " | 2 0 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 12 | " | 1 0 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 1 | XXII. | 4 0 10 | 20 6 3 |
| 3 and 4 | " | 11 0 0 | 55 0 0 |
| 7 | XXIII. | 4 3 39 | 25 0 0 |
| 3 | XXIV. | 2 2 5 | 12 13 2 |
| 8 | " | 4 3 21 | 24 8 2 |
| 1 to 4 | XXV. | 12 1 28 | 62 2 6 |
| 1 to 13 | XXVI. | 14 0 34 | 71 1 3 |
| 1 to 4 | XXVII. | 5 3 37 | 29 18 2 |
| 5 to 8 | " | 4 2 11 | 22 17 0 |
| 1 to 10 | XXVIII. | 10 0 0 | 50 0 0 |
| 1 to 10 | XXIX. | 10 0 0 | 50 0 0 |
| 1 | XXX. | 1 0 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 6 to 10 | " | 5 0 0 | 25 0 0 |

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this ninth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.
T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

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 twenty-third 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.

| Lot. | Area. | Upset Price. |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| VILLAGE OF TAUPIRI. | | |
| | A. B. P. | £ s. d. |
| 1 | 0 0 33 | 4 2 6 |
| 5 | 0 1 9 | 6 2 6 |
| 46 | 0 1 38 | 10 0 0 |
| 47 | 0 2 6 | 10 15 0 |
| 48 | 0 2 2 | 10 5 0 |
| 88 | 0 0 35 | 4 7 6 |
| 92 | 0 0 20 | 2 10 0 |
| VILLAGE OF KAWAKAWA. | | |
| 11A, 12A, 13A, 14A, 15A | 0 1 23 | 3 0 0 |
| SUBURBS OF KOKUKOHU. | | |
| 6 | 1 3 39 | 4 0 0 |
| 7 | 2 0 7 | 4 1 9 |
| 8 | 1 2 29 | 3 7 6 |
| 9 | 1 2 29 | 3 7 6 |
| 10 | 2 0 10 | 4 2 6 |
| 11 | 2 0 0 | 4 0 0 |
| 12 | 1 3 0 | 3 10 0 |
| 13 | 1 2 11 | 3 2 6 |
| TOWN OF WOLSELEY. | | |
| 30, 31 | 0 3 31 | 18 15 0 |
| WAIKATO COUNTY.—PARISH KOMAKORAU. | | |
| 81 | 11 0 0 | 11 0 0 |

Open land, accessible by good road; three miles from Ngaruawahia.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this ninth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.
T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand nine hundred; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase or on lease in perpetuity, or, in respect of any land containing or supposed to contain any metal, mineral, or valuable stone, be selected on lease in perpetuity only; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

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. |
| Waipa | Ngaroto* | 10A | | A. B. P. 9 1 12 | s. d. 18 0 | £ s. d. 8 11 0 | s. d. 0 10 8 | £ s. d. 0 4 4 | s. d. 0 8 64 | £ s. d. 0 3 6 |
| Chiefly level land; good soil. Two miles from Te Rore. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raglan | Karioi* | S.E. 90 | | A. B. P. 100 0 0 | s. d. 7 6 | £ s. d. 37 10 0 | s. d. 0 4 5 | £ s. d. 0 18 9 | s. d. 0 3 6 | £ s. d. 0 15 0 |
| About one-third swamp, balance sandy land. About thirteen miles from Raglan and four miles from Aotea Harbour. | | | | | | | | | | |

* Parish.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT—continued.

| County. | District. | Section. | Block. | Area. | Cash Price. | | | | Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent. | | | | Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent. | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------------|----|--------------|----|--|---|-------------------|----|--|----|-------------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| | | | | | Per Acre. | | Total Price. | | Rent per Acre. | | Half-yearly Rent. | | Rent per Acre. | | Half-yearly Rent. | | | | | | |
| | | | | | A. | R. | P. | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | | | | |
| Otamatea.. | Omaru* | E. 112 | .. | 51 3 24 | 10 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 10 | 6 | |
| " | " | E. 113 | .. | 65 0 0 | 10 | 0 | 32 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 16 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 13 | 0 | |
| " | " | W. 113 | .. | 35 0 20 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 | |
| Mixed-forest land; clay soil; well watered. About eight miles from Tokatoka and Matakoho. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raglan .. | Newcastle.. | 10 | VI. | 603 0 0 | 10 | 0 | 301 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 8 | |
| Broken forest land; well watered. Four to five miles from Ngaruawahia by Hot Springs Road. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raglan .. | Newcastle.. | 2 | XI. | 363 0 0 | 10 | 0 | 181 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 12 | 8 | |
| Chiefly mixed forest, with some fern openings; well watered. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raglan .. | Newcastle.. | 2A | XI. | 111 0 0 | 8 | 0 | 44 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 84 | 0 | 17 | 9 |
| Low hills and spurs, covered with fern; well watered. Situated from four to five miles from Ngaruawahia Railway-station. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raglan .. | Karamu* | 61 | .. | 50 0 0 | 7 | 6 | 18 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 6 |
| " | " | 135 | .. | 50 0 0 | 7 | 6 | 18 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 6 |
| Open fern and tea-tree land. Four to seven miles from Whatawhata. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mangonui.. | Mangonui E.* | 87 | .. | 497 0 0 | 5 | 0 | 124 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 9 | 9 | |
| About one-third mixed forest, balance scrub and fern; poor land, broken and stony; well watered. Situated one mile from Waimahana Bay and four miles from Mangonui. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mangonui.. | Whangaroa | 3 | II. | 78 2 23 | 5 | 0 | 19 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 8 | 0 | |
| Undulating land; inferior soil, covered with fern and scrub, and well watered. About seven miles from Mangonui. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Manukau .. | Waitara .. | S.W. 41 | .. | 42 1 30 | 12 | 0 | 25 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 76 | 0 | 10 | 2 |
| Open tea-tree land on main road leading to Pollok wharf. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

* Parish.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Southland 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 twenty-third 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 opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—OTAUTAU TOWNSHIP.
Town Land.

| Section. | Block. | Area. | Upset Price. |
|----------|--------|----------|--------------|
| | | A. R. P. | £ s. d. |
| 4 | II. | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 5 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 6 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 7 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 8 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 9 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 10 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 11 | " | 0 1 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 28 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 29 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 30 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 31 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 32 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 33 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 34 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 35 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 36 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Southland 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 twenty-third 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 opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WREY'S BUSH TOWNSHIP.
Town Land.

| Section. | Block. | Area. | Upset Price. |
|----------|--------|----------|--------------|
| | | A. R. P. | £ s. d. |
| 3 | II. | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 5 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 4 | III. | 0 1 35 | 9 7 6 |
| 6 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 9 | IV. | 0 2 10 | 11 5 0 |
| 5 | V. | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 6 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 7 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 8 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 9 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 10 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 2 | VI. | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 3 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 5 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 6 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |
| 7 | " | 0 2 0 | 10 0 0 |

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Howick Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the several persons whose names are specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule, in the place of John Finlay, James Kerr, Thomas Heath, John Nicholas, and Thomas P. Gill, who have resigned their appointments as Trustees of the said cemetery.

SCHEDULE.

| Names of Trustees. | Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land. |
|---|---|
| John Thomas Gill, James Lindsay, Robert Huttaway, jun. Thomas Speechlay, jun., and George Somerville. | HOWICK. All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 3 roods 12 perches, more or less, situated in the Parish of Pakuranga, in the Otahuhu Survey District, and being Allotment No. 8 of Section No. 7 of small lots near the Village of Howick. Bounded towards the north by a line, 692 links; towards the east by a line and a road, 1131 links; towards the south by a road, 692 links; and towards the west by Allotment No. 7, 1131 links. |

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Taihape Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the several persons whose names are specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

| Names of Trustees. | Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land. |
|---|---|
| John Petty Aldridge, Thomas Laurenson, William McLennan, Thomas Joseph Shute, Henry Jesse Woodard, William Francis Stephens, and George Bray. | TAIHAPE. All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres and 19 perches, more or less, being Section No. 66, Block XIV., Ohine-wairua Survey District; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. |

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Thames Public Cemeteries appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the forty-fifth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of

Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the local authority specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the public cemeteries specified in the second column of the said Schedule, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the said section, I do hereby remove the local authorities previously appointed trustees for the said cemetery.

SCHEDULE.

| First Column. | Second Column. |
|-----------------------------|---|
| The Thames Borough Council. | TARARU. All that piece or parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 8 acres 2 roods 7 perches, more or less, situated in Block IV., Thames Survey District, being called or known by the name of Tanutanu No. 3127. Bounded towards the north by the Waiohanga No. 3 Block, 308 and 526 links; towards the east by the Waiohanga No. 3 Block aforesaid, 703 links; towards the south-east by a line, 837 links; towards the south by the Waiohanga No. 3 Block aforesaid, 342 links; and towards the west by the Waiohanga No. 3 Block aforesaid, 214, 227, 237, and 290 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. SHORTLAND. All that piece or parcel of land known as a cemetery reserve, and being portion of the Huikaretu A No. 2 Block, situated in the Borough of Thames, Auckland Land District, and containing by admeasurement 9 acres 2 roods 16 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Mill Street, 689 links; towards the south-east by a road-line, 1200 links; towards the south-west by other portion of the Huikaretu A No. 2 Block aforesaid, 867 links; and towards the north-west by the Pukerahui and Ngamoko Blocks, 315, 306, 365, and 394 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. All that piece or parcel of land known as a cemetery reserve, and being portion of the Huikaretu A No. 2 Block, situated in the Borough of Thames, Auckland Land District, and containing by admeasurement 6 acres 2 roods 3 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by other portion of the Huikaretu A No. 2 Block aforesaid, 485 links; towards the south-east by Korokoro A Block, 746 and 301 links; towards the south-west by other portion of the Huikaretu A No. 2 Block aforesaid, 886 links; and towards the north-west by the Pukerahui and Ngamoko Blocks, 366, 221, and 380 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. |

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands

Trustees for the Elizabeth Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.
By his Deputy,
ROBERT STOUT.

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

SAMUEL JOHNSON and
ALEXANDER CORSKIE

to be Trustees, in the place of Alexander Robb, deceased, and William Payne Olley, who has left the district, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Elizabeth Cemetery, in

conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by warrant under the hand of His Excellency the Governor.

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

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Officers under "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," Otago District, appointed.

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

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section 9 of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884,"

JAMES A. McLEAN, of Leithan;
ALFRED HAMILTON, of Waikaka;
DAVID ANDREWS, of Kaiwera;
JOSEPH PULLAR, of Pukerua; and
DENNIS HASSETT, of Milton,

have been appointed officers for the purposes of that Act within the Otago Acclimatisation District.

W. C. WALKER.

Inspector of Abattoirs, &c., Borough of Invercargill, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 9th December, 1899.

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

HERBERT SETON STEWART KYLE

to be an Inspector of Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, under "The Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses Act, 1894," within the Borough of Invercargill.

W. C. WALKER.

Rangers under the Animals Protection Acts, Otago District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 9th December, 1899.

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

JAMES A. McLEAN,
ALFRED HAMILTON,
DAVID ANDREWS,
JOSEPH PULLAR, and
DENNIS HASSETT

to be Rangers under "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, for the District of Otago.

W. C. WALKER.

Member of Southland Land Board appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 9th December, 1899.

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

ALFRED BALDY

to be a member of the Land Board of the Land District of Southland as from the 4th December, 1899.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Arrangements for First Elections, &c., Borough of Motueka.

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

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

HORATIO EVERETT

to be Town Clerk of the Borough of Motueka, as constituted under "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and also to be Returning Officer for the purpose of conducting the first election of Mayor and Councillors of the said borough; also to fix that the number of Councillors for the said borough shall be six; also to appoint Monday, the 8th day of January, 1900, to be the day for holding the first election of Mayor; also to appoint Wednesday, the 10th day of January, 1900, to be the day for holding the first election of six Councillors; also to appoint Wednesday, the 17th day of January, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m., to be the time, and the Odd Fellows' Hall, Motueka, to be the place, at which the first meeting of the Borough Council of Motueka shall be held.

T. THOMPSON.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 9th December, 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. |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Leonore Barra .. | Domestic Duties | Waiholo. |
| Peter Barra .. | Settler .. | Waiholo. |
| William Buck .. | Carpenter .. | Wellington. |
| Mary Burns .. | Domestic Duties | Woodend. |
| Peter Casse .. | Labourer .. | Auckland. |
| Charles Henry Hensel | Seaman .. | Dunedin. |
| Gustaf Wilhelm Johansen | Farmer .. | Opaki. |
| Christian Johnson .. | Labourer .. | S. Dunedin. |
| Mads Peter Jonassen .. | Sheet-iron Worker | Christchurch. |
| Christian Nielsen .. | Carpenter .. | Waihi. |
| George Melgor Norman | Miner .. | Greymouth. |
| Mary Paul .. | Settler .. | Puhoi. |
| Rudolph Peters .. | Labourer .. | West Oxford. |
| Peter Andreas Sanvig | Gum-digger .. | Whangarei. |
| Martino Sonognini .. | Miner .. | Orwell Creek. |
| William Vis .. | Gum-digger .. | Scarrott's. |

W. C. WALKER.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Hawera County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 11th 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."

W. C. WALKER.

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 voters 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.

JOHN WINKS,

Hawera, 28th November, 1899.

Chairman.

Result of Poll taken under "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1899."

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 14th December, 1899.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Timaru Harbour Board, is published in accordance with "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1899."

J. CARROLL.

TIMARU HARBOUR BOARD.

Timaru Harbour Board Office,
Timaru, 8th December, 1899.

SIR,—Proposal to borrow a further sum of £100,000 under the provisions of "The Harbours Act, 1878," and "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1899," for the construction of a rubble mole from the bend of the present breakwater to form an eastern extension of the Timaru Harbour, and for reclamation, erection of wharves and jetties, and generally for the purposes stated in "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1899," and that any portion of the interest on the loan which the Harbour Fund shall be insufficient to pay after providing for prior charges be secured by a rate on all rateable property in the harbour district, or by the allocation of contributions from the local authorities in the said district, as mentioned in section 11 of the Act last above referred to: the said loan of £100,000 to be raised in such sums as the Board in office from time to time may determine; and the amount to be raised within the next two years not to exceed £50,000:—

In pursuance of the provisions of section 10 of "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1899," I have the honour

to give you notice that the result of the poll of the ratepayers of the Timaru Harbour District, taken in the several boroughs, road districts, town districts, ridings, and parts of ridings situated within the harbour district, on the 4th day of December, 1899, was as follows:—

For the proposal 2,065 votes.
Against the proposal 754 votes.

The number of votes given for the proposal exceeding the number given against it by more than one-fourth of the latter, I declared the resolution in favour of the proposal to be carried; and I have now the honour to give you notice that the said resolution was carried as aforesaid.

I have, &c.,

WM. EVANS,

Chairman of the Timaru Harbour Board.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 14th December, 1899.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of the City of Auckland, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The City of Auckland Borrowing Act, 1899."

J. CARROLL.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The City of Auckland Borrowing Act, 1899."

To the Honourable the Colonial Secretary,
Wellington.

I, DAVID GOLDIE, Mayor of the City of Auckland, do hereby, in pursuance of the provisions of section 184 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," give you notice that on the 28th day of November, 1899, a poll of the burgesses of the said city was taken under the provisions of the said Acts, on a proposal of the Council of the said city to borrow the sum of £100,000 by way of special loan under the provisions of "The Auckland City Borrowing Act, 1899," a copy of which proposal is hereunto set out.

AUCKLAND CITY COUNCIL.

Proposed Special Loan of £100,000.

Proposal to borrow the sum of £100,000, at a rate of interest not exceeding 4 per centum per annum, during the years and for the purpose following, viz:—

- Any sum not exceeding £50,000 at any time during the year 1900;
- Any further sum not exceeding £10,000 at any time during the year 1901;
- Any further sum not exceeding £10,000 at any time during the year 1902;
- Any further sum not exceeding £10,000 at any time during the year 1903;
- Any further sum not exceeding £10,000 at any time during the year 1904;
- Any further sum not exceeding £10,000 at any time during the year 1905.

Such loan shall be raised and expended exclusively for the purposes following, that is to say,—

1. In payment of such commission, charges, and expenses, including the cost of obtaining this Act, as the Council may determine to have been actually incurred in connection with such loan.

2. Repayment of existing overdraft at the National Bank of New Zealand (Limited), at Auckland, of about £30,000, and for the construction of the following works: namely, drainage, £44,354; auxiliary water-supply, £12,000; purchase of land and the erection of necessary buildings for a fire-brigade station and housing of firemen, horses, and appliances, £3,000; and paving with wood or asphalt or other approved material Queen Street, Auckland, £10,646.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1899.

DAVID GOLDIE,

Mayor.

And I also give you notice that the following was the result of the said poll:—

Number of ratepayers and burgesses who voted in favour of the said proposal, 895; number of votes to which the ratepayers and burgesses were entitled, 895; number of ratepayers and burgesses who voted against the said proposal, 77; number of votes to which the last-mentioned ratepayers and burgesses were entitled, 77; number of informal votes, 11.

I hereby give you notice that the said proposal was carried.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1899.

DAVID GOLDIE,

Mayor.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and "The Auckland City Borrowing Act, 1899."

I, David Goldie, of the City of Auckland, New Zealand, timber-merchant, Mayor of the City of Auckland, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That all proceedings required to be taken by "The Auckland City Borrowing Act, 1899," in or towards obtaining the sanction of the burgesses of the City of Auckland to a proposal of the Council of the said city to borrow the sum of £100,000 by way of special loan under the provisions of the said Act have been duly taken.

2. That, upon a poll of the ratepayers and burgesses of the said city taken on the 28th day of November, 1899, the said proposal was 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."

D. GOLDIE.

Declared at the City of Auckland, this 5th day of December, 1899, before me—J. Lawson, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 11th December, 1899.

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

ROBERT EDWARD HORNBLOW, Esq.,

of Wellington, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace for the colony.

T. THOMPSON.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Waikopiro B Block, Takapau Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was, in October, 1898, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 28th November, 1896.

SCHEDULE.

ROAD IN WAIKOPIRO B BLOCK.

| Approximate Area of Land taken. | Being Portion of Native Block | Survey District. | Block No. | Shown on Plan marked | Coloured on Plan |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------------|
| A. R. P. 22 2 29 | Waikopiro B | Takapau | XIII. | 844 | Red. |

As the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at Napier, in the Hawke's Bay Land District, and thereon coloured as above noted.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1899.

T. THOMPSON,

For Minister of Lands.

Naval Cadetships.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 9th December, 1899.

THE following circular with reference to colonial nominations for naval cadetships is published for general information.

T. THOMPSON.

(Circular.) Downing Street, 30th September, 1899.

SIR,—With reference to previous circular despatches respecting the arrangements for the distribution of colonial nominations to naval cadetships, I have the honour to inform you that there was an unusually large number of applicants for nominations for the present year, and that in more than one instance Governors of colonies appeared to have given candidates to understand that, having secured priority of application, their claims would be likely to be favourably considered. As such an understanding is likely to raise hopes on the part of a candidate which may not be realised, I have to request that, whenever you may have occasion to entertain an application, every precaution may be taken to guard against giving undue encouragement to the friends of candidates, who might, when necessary, be

reminded that the number of nominations for the whole of the colonial empire is, as a rule, limited to six in each year, that all the candidates' names and claims are considered together shortly before the commencement of the year during which a nomination is desired, that the respective claims of the various colonies have first to be considered, as distinguished from those of the candidates themselves, and that the final approval of candidates recommended by the Secretary of State rests with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

It will therefore be seen that to make anything in the nature of a promise to an applicant is likely to entail disappointment to candidates, and may possibly cause great inconvenience.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer administering the Government
of New Zealand.

[D. 99/4270.]

Time of Meetings of Southland Land Board approved.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 12th December, 1899.

HIS Excellency the Governor, by his Deputy, has, in pursuance of section 48 of "The Land Act, 1892," approved of the meetings of the Southland Land Board being held on the second and fourth Thursdays in each month, at 10.30 a.m., from and after the 1st day of January, 1900.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice to Mariners, No. 50 of 1899.

PATEA ROADSTEAD.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 8th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that, at the request of the Patea Harbour Board, Captain Bollons, of the Government steamer "Hinemoa," has taken a great many soundings off the roadstead at Patea, to the northward and westward of the rock marked on the chart P.D., which is five miles S. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. from the Patea flagstaff.

The soundings show a gradually shelving bottom, with 13 to 14 fathoms at six miles off the shore, to about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 fathoms at one mile off the shore. The bottom is composed of fine sand with occasional patches of rock. The best anchorage is with the flagstaff bearing about N. $\frac{1}{2}$ W., in from 6 to 10 fathoms of water. To go in on this line, however, takes a vessel very close to the rock which is marked on the chart with 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms P.D. The bearing of the flagstaff from this position is N. by W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W., distant five miles.

There appears to be at least 6 fathoms of water at two miles off the shore in any part of the roadstead.

The rock marked P.D. could not be sought for on the "Hinemoa's" visit, as a westerly wind and sea were then prevailing. No break, however, could be seen over the place, although a considerable sea was running.

Bearings: Correct magnetic.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty chart No. 2054; "New Zealand Pilot," 1891, chap. iv., pages 191 and 192.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Marine.

Volunteer Officers promoted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1899.

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

Canterbury Battalion of Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Major Henry Slater, V.D., to be Lieutenant-colonel.

Wellington Battalion of Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Major Joe Reginald Sommerville, V.D., to be Lieutenant-colonel.

Commissions to date from the 14th November, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 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.

Isser Alli, late of Auckland, in the Provincial District of Auckland, hawker. Filed on the 29th day of November, 1899.

Sophia Hodder, late of Featherston, in the Provincial District of Wellington, married woman. Filed on the 2nd day of December, 1899.

Mary Lockhart Hair, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, widow. Filed on the 2nd day of December, 1899.

Maria Elizabeth Butler Brown, late of Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, married woman. Filed on the 9th day of December, 1899.

Thomas Martin, late of Reefton, in the Provincial District of Nelson, miner. Filed on the 9th day of December, 1899.

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

Bonus for the Production of Mineral Manure.—Notice No. 580.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 12th December, 1899.

THE following sum is hereby offered as a bonus for the discovery and working within the colony of a deposit or deposits of marketable mineral manure, viz:—

£500 IF FOUND ON CROWN LANDS;
£250 IF FOUND ON FREEHOLD LANDS.

The following are the conditions under which the bonus is offered and will be paid:—

1. That the raw material is easily accessible, and within reasonable distance of a railway or seaport.
2. That the committee appointed by the Minister for Agriculture to examine the deposit is satisfied that there is sufficient to meet all ordinary demands for five years.
3. That the manure can be disposed of at a price which will allow of it being remuneratively used for agricultural purposes.
4. That the composition of the phosphate shall average not less than 40 per cent. of phosphate of lime (tricalcic phosphate); provided, however, should a phosphate of a lower average composition be discovered, the committee may recommend that a portion of the bonus be granted.

The terms of payment will be—

One-fifth on the committee reporting favourably of the discovery;

One-fifth on delivery of first 200 tons;

The remaining three-fifths by equal payments on delivery of each additional 150 tons.

Applications addressed to "The Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington," will be received up to and including the 1st day of July, 1900.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister for Agriculture.

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.

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.

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

Mines Department,
Wellington, 2nd October, 1899.

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

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

Government Observatory.

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

| Date. | Barometer reduced and corrected, in Inches. | From Self-registering Instruments, for Twenty-four Hours previously. | | | | | | Amount of Cloud, 0 to 10. | Direction of Wind. | |
|-------|---|--|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| | | Max. Temp. in Shade. | Min. Temp. in Shade. | Mean Temp. in Shade. | Solar Radiation. | Terrestrial Radiation. | Rainfall, in Inches. | | | Veloc. Wind, in Miles. |
| 1 | 29.954 | Fah. 55.0 | Fah. 47.0 | Fah. 51.0 | Fah. 110 | Fah. 41 | -.010 | 320 | 4 | S. |
| 2 | 29.921 | 58.0 | 43.0 | 50.5 | 118 | 33 | .. | 160 | 5 | N.W. |
| 3 | 29.528 | 61.0 | 52.0 | 56.5 | 120 | 46 | -.200 | 580 | 8 | N.W. |
| 4 | 29.491 | 58.0 | 42.0 | 50.0 | 114 | 35 | -.050 | 420 | 4 | S. |
| 5 | 29.587 | 57.0 | 45.0 | 51.0 | 115 | 37 | .. | 390 | 2 | N.W. |
| 6 | 29.940 | 60.0 | 38.0 | 49.0 | 116 | 30 | -.180 | 270 | 6 | Calm |
| 7 | 29.719 | 60.0 | 49.0 | 54.5 | 116 | 31 | .. | 330 | 1 | N.W. |
| 8 | 29.918 | 63.0 | 47.0 | 55.0 | 119 | 35 | .. | 200 | 2 | N.W. |
| 9 | 29.988 | 59.0 | 51.0 | 55.0 | 120 | 39 | .. | 270 | 5 | N.W. |
| 10 | 29.916 | 62.0 | 52.0 | 57.0 | 125 | 41 | -.010 | 280 | 7 | N.W. |
| 11 | 29.845 | 65.0 | 55.0 | 60.0 | 123 | 47 | -.190 | 340 | 5 | N.W. |
| 12 | 29.784 | 67.0 | 54.0 | 60.5 | 123 | 47 | -.180 | 190 | 6 | S. |
| 13 | 29.897 | 59.0 | 50.0 | 54.5 | 102 | 43 | -.640 | 150 | 8 | S. |
| 14 | 30.189 | 55.0 | 48.0 | 51.5 | 99 | 40 | -.120 | 280 | 7 | S. |
| 15 | 30.238 | 62.0 | 43.0 | 52.5 | 117 | 29 | -.030 | 160 | 1 | Calm |
| 16 | 30.195 | 65.0 | 45.0 | 55.0 | 120 | 30 | .. | 170 | 5 | S. |
| 17 | 30.095 | 62.0 | 51.0 | 56.5 | 120 | 38 | .. | 230 | 4 | S. |
| 18 | 30.008 | 67.0 | 50.0 | 58.5 | 122 | 33 | .. | 200 | 2 | Calm |
| 19 | 29.977 | 74.0 | 52.0 | 63.0 | 127 | 35 | .. | 130 | 3 | N.W. |
| 20 | 29.541 | 67.0 | 52.0 | 59.5 | 125 | 34 | .. | 230 | 7 | N.W. |
| 21 | 29.512 | 60.0 | 54.0 | 57.0 | 120 | 42 | -.030 | 380 | 5 | N.W. |
| 22 | 29.509 | 62.0 | 50.0 | 56.0 | 122 | 36 | -.040 | 300 | 2 | N.W. |
| 23 | 29.486 | 64.0 | 55.0 | 59.5 | 128 | 41 | .. | 420 | 2 | N.W. |
| 24 | 29.738 | 68.0 | 49.0 | 58.5 | 127 | 35 | -.070 | 150 | 3 | N.W. |
| 25 | 29.958 | 66.0 | 47.0 | 56.5 | 129 | 36 | -.480 | 350 | 5 | S.E. |
| 26 | 29.940 | 67.0 | 47.0 | 57.0 | 126 | 32 | .. | 110 | 5 | Calm |
| 27 | 29.856 | 70.0 | 52.0 | 61.0 | 128 | 34 | .. | 160 | 4 | N.W. |
| 28 | 29.858 | 65.0 | 56.0 | 60.5 | 121 | 43 | .. | 480 | 5 | N.W. |
| 29 | 29.902 | 64.0 | 57.0 | 60.5 | 124 | 42 | .. | 480 | 3 | N.W. |
| 30 | 29.811 | 65.0 | 59.0 | 62.0 | 127 | 45 | -.020 | 620 | 7 | N.W. |
| * | 29.843 | 62.9 | 50.0 | 56.4 | 120.2 | 37.6 | 2.250 | 291 | 4.4 | .. |
| † | 29.836 | .. | .. | 56.5 | .. | .. | 4.166 | .. | .. | .. |

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

NOTE.—On the whole fine, though showery at times, especially during middle of month; the total rain under the average; the maximum rainfall recorded on 13th, 0.64 in. Prevailing wind from N.W., and frequently strong. Maximum temperature in shade 74°, minimum 38°; mean temperature of dew-point, 46°·9; mean humidity, 70.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

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.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office, Wellington, 6th December, 1899.

THE Loyal Victoria Diamond Lodge, No. 7467, situated at Levin, is registered as a branch of the Wellington District of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Odd Fellows Friendly Society, under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," this 6th day of December, 1899.

EDMUND MASON, Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Officiating Ministers for 1899.—Notice No. 35.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 12th 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 intituled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following name of an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is published for general information:—

Roman Catholic Church.

The Reverend William Joseph O'Connor.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN, Registrar-General.

Crown Lands Notices.

Lease of a Public Reserve at Moeraki, Otago Land District.

Crown Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin, 12th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that a lease of the under-mentioned lands will be submitted to public auction under the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Wednesday, the 21st day of February, 1900:—

Part Section 76, Block IV., Moeraki District: Area, 4 acres (approximate); upset annual rental, £1 5s.; term of lease, fourteen years.

Full particulars can be obtained at this office.

J. P. MAITLAND, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Land, Matapouri Village, Taranaki, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, 12th December, 1899.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on and after the 28th 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, New Plymouth.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—PATEA COUNTY.—KAPARA SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

| Section. | Block. | Area. | Rent per Acre. | Half-yearly Rent. |
|----------|--------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 21 | VI. | A. R. P. 2 3 35 | s. d. 1 2-4 | s. d. 1 10 |

Weighted with £9 0s. 6d., valuation for improvements, which must be paid on approval of application. All level, well-watered land, cleared and in grass; good soil, on papa formation. The Waitotara Valley Road is formed for dray traffic past the section. Distance from Waitotara, about twenty-nine miles.

JOHN STRAUCHON, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Taupiri for Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 12th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land (Auckland University College Endowment) will be open for application upon lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 26th February, 1900

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WAIKATO COUNTY.—TAUPIRI PARISH.

| Section. | Area. | Rent per Acre. | Half-yearly Rent. |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Lot 15, Sec. 452 | A. R. P. 100 0 0 | s. d. 0 4-8 | £ s. d. 1 0 0 |

Open scrub and fern land, about a mile and a half from Huntly Railway-station.

GERHARD MUELLER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs liable to Forfeiture.

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

PURSUANT to section 215 of "The Land Act, 1892," notice is hereby given to the following persons that the under-mentioned pastoral licenses are liable to forfeiture, and that if the rent overdue thereon be not paid within three months from date the licenses will be declared forfeited:—

| License No. | Run No. | County or District. | Licensee. |
|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1129 | 492 | Lake .. | John Knox Chapman. |
| 1089 | Section 10, Block VIII. | Teviot .. | John McLoughlin. |
| 633 | 338a and 430b .. | Vincent .. | Mrs. Bridget Cotter. |
| 455 | 333 and 333a .. | Lake .. | Maben and Mitchell. |

J. P. MAITLAND, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Rakitairi Settlement, Canterbury, for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 2nd November, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land will be opened for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 27th December, 1899, 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 28th December, 1899, at noon, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch. If the section be not applied for on the 27th December, 1899, it will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—GERALDINE COUNTY.—
RAKITAIRI SETTLEMENT.
First-class Agricultural Land.

| Survey District. | Section. | Block. | Area. | | | Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per cent. | | | | |
|------------------|----------|--------|-------|----|----|--|-------------------|---|---|---|
| | | | A. | R. | P. | Rent per Acre per Annum. | Half-yearly Rent. | | | |
| Opihi | 1, 2, 3 | XII. | 51 | 0 | 21 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 2 |

This allotment is situated on the northern side of the Rakitairi Settlement, having frontage on the Kakahu Valley Road, about one mile westward from Hilton Township, and about three miles from Kakahu Bush. It comprises open agricultural land, about 300 ft. above sea-level, partly flat and partly undulating; good black soil, from 6 in. to 7 in. deep, with clay subsoil. The allotment is weighted with a sum of £35 8s. 6d., being valuation for improvements consisting of two small huts and boundary-fencing, which sum must be paid by the successful applicant before being admitted to possession of the land.

S. WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Rakitairi Settlement, Canterbury, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 11th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned land will be opened for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 21st 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, the 22nd February, at 2.30 p.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch. If the section be not applied for on the 21st February, it will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—GERALDINE COUNTY.—OPIHI SURVEY DISTRICT.
First-class Agricultural Land.

| Section. | Block. | Area. | | | Lease in Perpetuity. | | | | |
|----------|--------|-------|----|----|----------------------|-------------------|---|---|---|
| | | A. | R. | P. | Rent per Acre. | Half-yearly Rent. | | | |
| 9 | XVI. | 20 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 6 |

This allotment is situated on the southern side of the Rakitairi Settlement, about nine miles and a half north-west of Temuka, and comprises open undulating agricultural land, with soil from 7 in. to 9 in. deep on clay subsoil. The selector of this allotment will be liable to pay to the lessee of the adjoining Lot No. 22 one-half of the value of the fencing erected by him on the boundary between the two lots.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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. | | | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|----|----|--|-------------------|---|---|----|---|
| | | A. | R. | P. | Rent per Acre per Annum. | Half-yearly Rent. | | | | |
| TAMAI HAMLET. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 subsoil.

PAWAHO HAMLET.

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.

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. Valuation for improvements, £41 4s. 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., Teviti 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. Valuation for improvements, £98 9s. 6d. 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 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 MAPUA 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 £338, 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.

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.—OHAKA SETTLEMENT.

First-class Agricultural Land.

| Section. | Block. | Area. | Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent. | |
|----------|--------|----------|---|-------------------|
| | | | Rent per Acre per Annum. | Half-yearly Rent. |
| | | A. R. P. | s. d. | £ s. d. |
| 48 | XV. | 9 1 0 | 15 9 | 3 12 10 |
| 49 | " | 98 3 0 | 14 6 | 35 15 11 |
| 50) | " | 256 3 0 | 14 6 | 87 3 4 |
| 59) | | | | |
| 52 | " | 75 0 0 | 13 9 | 25 15 7 |
| 53 | " | 108 0 0 | 13 9 | 37 2 6 |
| 55 | " | 66 0 0 | 14 6 | 23 18 6 |
| 56 | " | 103 0 0 | 13 0 | 33 9 6 |
| 57 | " | 82 0 0 | 13 6 | 27 13 6 |
| | | | | 11 4 3 |
| 58 | " | 93 0 0 | 12 9 | 29 12 10 |
| 60 | " | 108 0 0 | 12 6 | 33 15 0 |
| 61 | " | 145 2 0 | 13 0 | 47 5 9 |
| 62 | " | 165 2 0 | 11 6 | 48 12 4 |
| | | | | 13 2 5 |
| 63 | " | 167 0 0 | 11 6 | 48 0 3 |
| 65 | " | 123 0 0 | 12 3 | 39 4 0 |
| | | | | 39 9 1 |
| 66 | " | 126 1 0 | 12 6 | \$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, £106 15s. 6d.

† Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £91, 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.

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.

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 | 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.

| | A. | R. | P. | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|----|
| 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.

| | A. | R. | P. | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|----|
| Maniototo {21, 22} XVI. | 49 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 15 |

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.

| | A. | R. | P. | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|----|
| Woodland 48 VII. | 28 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| " 49 " | 16 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| " 50 " | 27 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| " 51 " | 29 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 9 |

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

| | A. | R. | P. | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---------------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|----|
| Warepa .. 60 I. | 27 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 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. £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| | | 1 0 0 5 0 0 | 0 5 0 | 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. | £ | s. |
| 1 | I. | 2,200 0 0 | 1 | 0 | 55 | 0 |
| 1b | I., V. | 1,780 0 0 | 1 | 0 | 44 | 10 |

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.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

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."

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 189____, before me—
J. W. A. MARCHANT,
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.—KIWITEA 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. 8 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 1s. 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 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. 380 0 0 | s. d. 7 6 | £ s. d. 142 10 0 | s. d. 0 4 5 | £ s. d. 3 11 3 | s. d. 0 3 6 | £ s. d. 2 17 0 |
| Subject to £50 for improvements. Comprises broken forest land, well watered. Seven miles from Warkworth. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raglan .. | Whangape Parish | { 112, 117, & 135 } | .. | 677 0 0 | 8 0 | 270 16 0 | 0 4 8 | 6 15 6 | 0 3 8 4 | 5 8 6 |
| Subject to £125 for improvements. Generally open land of good quality. Thirteen miles from Huntly. | | | | | | | | | | |

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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 | .. | 85 | 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. 48 1 0 | s. d. 10 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 |
| Situating at Herekino Settlement, and comprises mixed-forest and open land, with some swamp. Access by formed road. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hokianga.. | Herekino .. | 16 | II. | 76 0 16 | 10 0 | 38 0 0 | 6 | 0 19 0 | 0 4 8 | 0 15 3 |
| .. | Whangape.. | 60 | VII. | | | | | | | |
| Situating at Herekino, and adjoining the harbour. Generally open land. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hokianga | Whangape.. | 52 | VII. | 50 0 0 | 7 6 | 18 15 0 | 0 4 5 | 0 9 6 | 0 3 6 | 0 7 6 |
| Generally mixed-forest land of fair quality, at Herekino Settlement. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mangonui | Takahue .. | 30 | XV. | 50 0 0 | 7 6 | 18 15 0 | 0 4 5 | 0 9 6 | 0 3 6 | 0 7 6 |
| .. | .. | 32 | " | 50 0 0 | 10 0 | 25 0 0 | 0 6 | 0 12 6 | 0 4 8 | 0 10 0 |
| Situating at Takahue Settlement, six miles from Victoria Valley. About one-half mixed forest; land of fair quality, and well watered. About 8 acres on Section 32 have been grassed. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Whangarei | Mangakahia | 18 | XI. | 204 0 0 | 10 0 | 102 0 0 | 0 6 | 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. Situating 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. Situating 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. Situating 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. Situating 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 Ohiwa. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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. Situating 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 " | 2 10 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. |
|---|--------|------------------|-------|----|----|----------------------|----|----|-------|
| | | | A. | R. | P. | £ | s. | d. | |
| 1 to 6, Town Block I. | XIII. | Waiau | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| 1 to 6, Town Block II. | " | " | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| 1 to 7, Town Block III. | " | " | 1 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 7 |
| Town Blk. XX. | " | " | 4 | 1 | 24 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
| 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 15 to 20, Town Block XVII. | " | " | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 5 |

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

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

| Block. | Section. | Area. | | | Upset Annual Rental. | | |
|--------|----------|-------|----|----|----------------------|----|----|
| | | A. | R. | P. | £ | s. | d. |
| XIV. | 18 | 73 | 2 | 0 | 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 8s. 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. | | | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-------|----|--|-------------------|--|-------------------|---|---|---|---|----|---|
| | | A. | R. | Rent per Acre. | Half-yearly Rent. | Rent per Acre. | Half-yearly Rent. | | | | | | |
| 109 | VII. | 78 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 19 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 15 | 9 |

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

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

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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.

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.—WHAIKATANE 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 1s. license-fee in each case must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the necessary declaration furnished.

Description of Land.

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

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

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sale of Timber, Auckland Land District.

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

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

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

122 kauri-trees, containing about 312,900 superficial feet.

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

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

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF LOCALITY OF TIMBER.

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

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

LAND FOR SAWMILLS, AND SHED AND SITE FOR WHARF.

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

FACILITIES FOR SHIPPING THE TIMBER.

The iron tram-line traverses throughout perfectly level ground, and is completed between the points marked A and B

on the map (in the pamphlet), a length of one mile and a half, and ready for extension towards point marked C (south-west corner of Section 3, Block XII.), as may from time to time be found expedient to meet the purchaser's requirements; and, if so desired, the line will also be extended westerly for an additional 10 to 12 chains, to near the mouth of Bascombe's Creek, to further facilitate the shipment of the timber.

The Kaipara Harbour is one of the best on the west coast of the North Island, and the shipping of timber from it to other ports of New Zealand, to the Australian Colonies, and even to India, has been very brisk during the past ten years, and not infrequently 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 18s. 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.

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.

Native Land Court Notices.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 13th December, 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, 99-28.]

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

| No. | Nature of Alienation. | Date. | Name of Land. | Names of Parties. |
|-----|-----------------------|--------------------|---|--|
| 1 | Transfer (99-288) | 7th December, 1899 | Waipu 3B | Raimapaha te Inirangi to Gifford Marshall. |
| 2 | Transfer (99-289) | 26th October, 1899 | Manawatu-Kukutaunaki 7D, Section 2A No. 4 | Mihipeka Tatana to Mary Pitts Brown. |
| 3 | Transfer (99-293) | 6th December, 1899 | Wellington, Town Section 715, Lot 14 | Hoani Kaihi to Orazio Gini. |

Native Land Court Agent licensed.

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT, NEW ZEALAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that a license has been issued to the under-mentioned person authorising him to appear as an agent in the Native Land Court for the year ending the 31st day of December, 1900, subject to the provisions of section 20 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," viz. :-

ARCHIBALD RICHARD MACFARLANE.

Dated at Wellington, this 11th day of December, 1899.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

Vital Statistics, November, 1899.

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

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

| BOROUGH. | Population of Principal Boroughs, with all their Suburbs, Census, April, 1896. | ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1899. | TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH. | DEATHS IN BOROUGHs REGISTERED IN NOVEMBER, 1899. | | | | | | | | | Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, November, 1899. | Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1896. |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|------|-------|--|--|
| | | | | Males. | | | Females. | | | Total Deaths. | | | | |
| | | | | Under 1 Year. | 1 & under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 1 Year. | 1 & under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | | | | | |
| Auckland | 57,616 | 38,100 | 88 | 4 | .. | 21 | 2 | .. | 7 | 34 | 0.89 | 13.73 | | |
| Birkenhead | | 749 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4.01 | 6.68 | | |
| Devonport | | 3,320 | 9 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11.34 | | |
| Newmarket | | 2,106 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 9.65 | | |
| Grey Lynn | | 3,049 | 2 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 3 | 0.98 | 11.87 | | |
| Parnell | | 4,327 | 9 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 0.46 | 9.80 | | |
| Other suburbs | | * | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs | .. | 51,651 | 110 | 6 | .. | 21 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 42 | 0.81 | 12.80 | | |
| Wellington | 41,758 | 42,512 | 74 | 2 | 1 | 17 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 38 | 0.89 | 12.51 | | |
| Karori | | 1,050 | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6.70 | | |
| Melrose | | 2,295 | 6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 2 | 0.87 | 7.98 | | |
| Onslow | | 1,350 | 3 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | 0.74 | 6.01 | | |
| Totals Wellington and suburbs | .. | 47,207 | 87 | 2 | 1 | 17 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 41 | 0.87 | 11.97 | | |
| Christchurch | 51,330 | 18,085 | 30 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 0.66 | 10.87 | | |
| Linwood | | 6,553 | 14 | 1 | .. | 2 | .. | .. | 3 | 6 | 0.92 | 12.25 | | |
| St. Albans | | 6,500 | 14 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | 3 | 5 | 0.77 | 8.93 | | |
| Sydenham | | 10,987 | 19 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | 3 | 5 | 0.46 | 9.99 | | |
| Woolston | | 2,274 | 3 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | 1 | 3 | 1.32 | 11.99 | | |
| Other suburbs | | * | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs | .. | 44,399 | 80 | 3 | 1 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 31 | 0.70 | 10.63 | | |
| Dunedin | 47,280 | 23,500 | 36 | 4 | .. | 17 | 2 | .. | 9 | 32 | 1.36 | 12.73 | | |
| Caversham | | 4,830 | 11 | .. | .. | 5 | .. | .. | 3 | 8 | 1.66 | 20.71 | | |
| Maori Hill | | 1,608 | 2 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 1.24 | 6.34 | | |
| Mornington | | 3,825 | 4 | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | 3 | 0.79 | 8.15 | | |
| North-east Valley .. | | 3,575 | 5 | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | 3 | 0.84 | 8.74 | | |
| Roslyn | | 4,329 | 8 | 3 | .. | 2 | .. | .. | 1 | 6 | 1.39 | 7.49 | | |
| St. Kilda | | 1,359 | 2 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 0.74 | 10.55 | | |
| South Dunedin | | 5,066 | 9 | .. | .. | 3 | 2 | .. | .. | 5 | 0.99 | 8.95 | | |
| West Harbour | | 1,400 | 3 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 8.58 | | |
| Totals Dunedin and suburbs | .. | 49,492 | 80 | 7 | 1 | 30 | 6 | .. | 16 | 60 | 1.21 | 11.65 | | |

* The remaining suburbs do not lie within borough boundaries, and particulars respecting them have not been obtained for the Vital Statistics.

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

The total births in the above boroughs amounted to 357, against 407 in October—a decrease of 50. The deaths in November were 174—an increase of 8 on the number in October. Of the total deaths, males contributed 101, females 73. Forty-three of the deaths were of children under 5 years of age, being 24.71 per cent. of the whole number; 33 of these were under 1 year of age.

There were 46 deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Six men, 66, 72 (two), 73, 75, 81, and four women, 65 (two), 71, 75, died at Auckland; six men, 65, 66 (two), 70, 81, 84, and five women, 66, 72, 73, 84, 85, at Wellington; four men, 68, 70, 79, 83, and four women, 70 (two), 73, 90, at Christchurch; and fourteen men, 65 (two), 67, 69 (two), 71, 74, 75, 79 (three), 80, 83, 89, and three women, 68, 78, 82, at Dunedin.

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

| CLASS. | CAUSES OF DEATH. | AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH. | | WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH. | | CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH. | | DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH. | | TOTAL. | PROPORTIONS PER CENT. |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------------|
| | | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years & over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years & over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years & over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years & over. | | |
| I. | Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases | 2 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 28 | 16.09 |
| II. | Parasitic Diseases | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| III. | Dietetic Diseases | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| IV. | Constitutional Diseases | .. | 10 | 1 | 10 | .. | 10 | 1 | 14 | 46 | 26.43 |
| V. | Developmental Diseases | 3 | .. | 1 | 3 | .. | .. | 2 | 1 | 10 | 5.75 |
| VI. | Local Diseases | 3 | 20 | 3 | 14 | 1 | 13 | 6 | 20 | 80 | 45.98 |
| VII. | Violence | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 | 4 | 2.30 |
| VIII. | Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 5 | .. | .. | .. | 6 | 3.45 |
| | Totals | 9 | 33 | 13 | 28 | 7 | 24 | 14 | 46 | 174 | 100.00 |

| CAUSES OF DEATH. | AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | TOTAL. |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | |
| CLASS I.—SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES. | | | | | | | | | |
| ORDER 1:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Miasmatic,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Measles | 1 | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 6 | 2 |
| Influenza | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 8 |
| Whooping-cough .. | .. | .. | 6 | .. | .. | .. | 5 | .. | 11 |
| Typhoid Fever | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| ORDER 2:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diarrhoeal,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Diarrhoea | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 2 | 4 |
| Dysentery | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES. | | | | | | | | | |
| Rheumatic Endocarditis .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Cancer | .. | 3 | .. | 6 | .. | 4 | .. | 4 | 17 |
| Tubercular Peritonitis .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Tubercular Meningitis .. | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | 4 | 8 |
| Phthisis | .. | 3 | .. | 4 | .. | 4 | .. | 2 | 13 |
| Tuberculosis | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 |
| Purpura | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Anæmia | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Diabetes | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 2 |
| CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES. | | | | | | | | | |
| Premature Birth | 2 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 4 |
| Atelectasis | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cyanosis | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 1 |
| Senile Decay | .. | .. | .. | 3 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 4 |
| CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES. | | | | | | | | | |
| ORDER 1:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Meningitis | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 3 | 2 |
| Apoplexy | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | 5 |
| Softening of Brain | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Hemiplegia | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Paralysis | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Epilepsy | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Convulsions | 1 | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 4 |
| Paraplegia | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cerebral Disease | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cerebral Tumour | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| ORDER 3:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Heart-disease | .. | 3 | .. | 2 | .. | 2 | .. | 4 | 11 |
| Fatty Heart | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Angina Pectoris | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Syncope | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Senile Gangrene | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Atheroma of Cardiac Valves | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| ORDER 4:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Croup | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Bronchitis | .. | 2 | 1 | 1 | .. | 2 | 3 | 1 | 10 |
| Pneumonia | .. | 2 | .. | 2 | 1 | .. | 2 | 2 | 9 |
| Congestion of Lungs | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| ORDER 5:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Digestive System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Gastritis | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Enteritis | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 |
| Intestinal Obstruction .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Peritonitis | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cirrhosis of Liver | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Appendicitis | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Stricture of Œsophagus .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| ORDER 7:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Nephritis | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Bright's Disease | .. | 1 | .. | 2 | .. | 1 | .. | 4 | 8 |
| Calculus | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cystitis | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | 3 |
| Polyuria | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| ORDER 8:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Reproductive System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Parturition | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| ORDER 10:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Diseases of Integumentary System,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Cellulitis | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |

| CAUSES OF DEATH. | AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS. | | TOTAL. |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | |
| CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE. | | | | | | | | | |
| ORDER 1:— | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Accident or Negligence,—</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Fracture of Thigh | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Run over by Truck | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Fall of Ship's Derrick | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Injured (Football Match).. .. . | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES. | | | | | | | | | |
| Marasmus, &c. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 5 | .. | .. | .. | 6 |
| Totals | 9 | 33 | 18 | 28 | 7 | 24 | 14 | 46 | 174 |

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

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

| | Death-rates per 1,000 of Mean Population. | |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Auckland City | 0.89 | |
| and five suburban boroughs | 0.81 | |
| Wellington City | 0.89 | |
| and three suburban boroughs | 0.87 | |
| Christchurch City | 0.66 | |
| and four suburban boroughs | 0.70 | |
| Dunedin City | 1.36 | |
| and eight suburban boroughs | 1.21 | |

Including the suburbs, the rate at Christchurch is the lowest, and at Dunedin the highest.

Compared with November, 1898, the results are,—

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Auckland and suburbs | 1898. | 1899. |
| Wellington and suburbs | 1.20 | 0.81 |
| Christchurch and suburbs | 0.76 | 0.87 |
| Dunedin and suburbs | 0.89 | 0.70 |
| | 0.68 | 1.21 |

Specific Febrile and Zymotic Diseases.—The deaths at the four centres in this class were more than twice as numerous in November (28) as in the previous month, when the number was only 12. Dunedin and suburbs shows the most mortality—whooping-cough causing 5 and influenza 6 deaths, which, with 2 from diarrhoea, makes the total of 13. At Wellington whooping-cough is very noticeable, causing 6 deaths, influenza showing 2, and measles 1. At the other centres the mortality from zymotic diseases during November was less than the above, being confined to 1 death from measles, 2 from typhoid fever, and 1 from diarrhoea, at Auckland; with 2 deaths from diarrhoeal diseases at Christchurch.

Constitutional Diseases.—These deaths numbered 46, or the large proportion of 26 per cent. of the whole mortality from all causes at the cities. Cancer contributed 17 deaths, or 10 per cent. of the total deaths in the four towns; and tubercular diseases were still more fatal, showing 24 deaths, or 14 per cent. of the whole in all classes.

Local Diseases.—Of 80 deaths at the four centres, the large number of 22 were caused by diseases of the respiratory system (bronchitis, pneumonia, congestion of lungs, and croup), forming 13 per cent. of the total mortality. There were 18 deaths from diseases of the nervous system (including apoplexy, meningitis, paralysis, convulsions, &c.); 16 of the circulatory system (heart-disease, &c.); 8 of the digestive system; 14 of the urinary system (8 Bright's); 1 of the reproductive, and 1 of the integumentary systems.

Violent Deaths.—These were all accidental. An undertaker died from a fracture of thigh at Auckland; the three other deaths occurred at Dunedin, where a child was run over by a railway-truck, a wharf labourer was killed by a ship's derrick falling on him, and a yarn-trundler by injuries received at a football match.

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

| Towns. | SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES. | | | | | | | | | | | | PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES. | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|------|----------------|------|--------------------------|------|-------------|------|-----------------|------|----------------------|------|--------------------------|------|-----------|------|------------|------|----------------------|------|
| | Measles. | | Scarlet Fever. | | Typhoid and other Fever. | | Diphtheria. | | Whooping-cough. | | Diarrhoeal Diseases. | | Bronchitis. | | Pleurisy. | | Pneumonia. | | Congestion of Lungs. | |
| | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. |
| Auckland and suburban boroughs | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | .. | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Wellington and suburban boroughs | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6 | 4 | .. | .. | 2 | 4 | .. | .. | 2 | 4 | .. | .. |
| Christchurch and suburban boroughs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | .. |
| Dunedin and suburban boroughs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5 | 3 | 2 | .. | 4 | 1 | .. | .. | 4 | 3 | .. | .. |
| Totals | 2 | 1 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | 11 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 6 | .. | 1 | 9 | 10 | 2 | 1 |

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

| BOROUGH. | ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1899. | TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH. | DEATHS IN BOROUGH REGISTERED IN NOVEMBER, 1899. | | | | | | | | | Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, November, 1899. | Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1898. |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|------|-------|--|--|
| | | | Males. | | | Females. | | | Total Deaths. | | | | |
| | | | Under 1 Year. | 1 & under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | Under 1 Year. | 1 & under 5 Years. | 5 Years and over. | | | | | |
| Thames | 5,000 | 16 | 1 | .. | 2 | 1 | .. | 1 | 5 | 1.00 | 11.62 | | |
| New Plymouth | 4,176 | 14 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 0.24 | 12.11 | | |
| Napier | 9,399 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 1.28 | 11.50 | | |
| Wanganui | 6,362 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | .. | 1 | 7 | 1.10 | 7.22 | | |
| Palmerston North | 6,200 | 16 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | .. | 2 | 9 | 1.45 | 10.53 | | |
| Blenheim | 2,900 | 10 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 2 | 3 | 1.03 | 11.24 | | |
| Nelson | 7,064 | 8 | 2 | .. | 5 | .. | .. | 4 | 11 | 1.56 | 14.99 | | |
| Greyouth | 3,345 | 5 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10.20 | | |
| Hokitika | 2,494 | 6 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | 2 | 0.80 | 13.91 | | |
| Lyttelton | 4,053 | 11 | 1 | .. | 3 | 1 | .. | .. | 5 | 1.23 | 8.39 | | |
| Timaru | 5,702 | 9 | 2 | .. | 3 | .. | .. | 3 | 8 | 1.40 | 10.69 | | |
| Oamaru | 5,372 | 10 | 1 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 2 | 4 | 0.74 | 8.99 | | |
| Invercargill | 5,591* | 8 | 1 | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | 4 | 0.72 | 9.57 | | |

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 8th December, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR NOVEMBER, 1899.

| | AUCKLAND. | WELLINGTON. | LINCOLN, CANTERBURY. | DUNEDIN. |
|--|--------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Mean Temperature in shade for month* | 59.2 | 56.4 | .. | 52.1 |
| Average same month previous years* ... | 60.5 | 56.5 | 55.9 | 52.6 |
| Maximum Temperature in shade, and date* | 72.0 on 30th | 74.0 on 19th | .. | 74.0 on 20th |
| Minimum Temperature in shade, and date* | 48.0 on 5th | 38.0 on 6th | 33.4 on 6th | 33.0 on 4th |
| Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* .. | 136.0 on 1st | 129.0 on 25th | .. | 80.0 on 17th |
| Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date* | 41.0 on 2nd | 30.0 on 6th | .. | 29.0 on 4th |
| Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) .. | 71 | 70 | .. | 74 |
| Average same month previous years ... | 72 | 71 | 74 | 73 |
| Total Rainfall, in inches | 2.050 | 2.250 | 2.740 | 3.588 |
| Average same month previous years ... | 2.757 | 4.166 | 2.168 | 2.732 |
| Number of Days of Rain | 15 | 15 | 12 | 15 |
| Average same month previous years ... | 14 | 10 | 8 | 12 |

* Fahrenheit.

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

Meteorological Office, Wellington, 8th December, 1899.

JAMES HECTOR,
Director.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 11th November, 1899, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1898.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

Table with columns for 1899 and 1898, split into Passenger, Parcel, Goods, and Revenue sections. Includes sub-headers for S., R., and Total.

WHANGAREI SECTION.

Table with columns for 1899 and 1898, split into Passenger, Parcel, Goods, and Revenue sections. Includes sub-headers for S., R., and Total.

KAIHU SECTION.

Table with columns for 1899 and 1898, split into Passenger, Parcel, Goods, and Revenue sections. Includes sub-headers for S., R., and Total.

AUCKLAND SECTION.

Table with columns for 1899 and 1898, split into Passenger, Parcel, Goods, and Revenue sections. Includes sub-headers for S., R., and Total.

WESTPORT SECTION.

| PASSENGERS,— | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| | S. | R. | Total. | S. | R. | Total. |
| 1st Class | 1 | 64 | 65 | 9 | 68 | 77 |
| 2nd Class | 496 | 3,126 | 3,622 | 455 | 3,360 | 3,815 |
| Total | 497 | 3,190 | 3,687 | 464 | 3,428 | 3,892 |
| Season Tickets | .. | .. | 7 | .. | .. | 5 |
| PARCELS, ETC.,— | | | No. | | | No. |
| Parcels | .. | .. | 247 | .. | .. | 326 |
| Horses | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Carriages | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Dogs | .. | .. | 11 | .. | .. | 3 |
| Total | .. | .. | 258 | .. | .. | 329 |
| GOODS,— | | | No. | | | No. |
| Drays | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. |
| Cattle | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Calves | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Sheep | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 |
| Pigs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 7 |

| | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|------------------|-------|----|--------|-------|----|--------|
| | Tons. | | Tons. | | | |
| Chaff, Lime, &c. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Wool | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Firewood | .. | .. | 294 | .. | .. | 270 |
| Timber | .. | .. | 165 | .. | .. | 283 |
| Grain | .. | .. | 88 | .. | .. | 8 |
| Merchandise | .. | .. | 165 | .. | .. | 209 |
| Minerals | .. | .. | 27,845 | .. | .. | 24,014 |
| Total | .. | .. | 28,052 | .. | .. | 24,784 |

| REVENUE,— | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---------------------------|--------|----|----|--------|----|----|
| Passengers | 207 | 17 | 10 | 208 | 18 | 8 |
| Parcels, Luggage, & Mails | 16 | 8 | 4 | 19 | 19 | 0 |
| Goods | 3,476 | 6 | 10 | 3,193 | 3 | 3 |
| Miscellaneous | 119 | 11 | 4 | 138 | 18 | 7 |
| Rents and Commission | 10 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| Total | £3,880 | 8 | 4 | £3,564 | 3 | 6 |

NELSON SECTION.

| PASSENGERS,— | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| | S. | R. | Total. | S. | R. | Total. |
| 1st Class | 41 | 256 | 297 | 67 | 240 | 307 |
| 2nd Class | 789 | 3,864 | 4,603 | 720 | 4,566 | 5,286 |
| Total | 780 | 4,120 | 4,900 | 787 | 4,806 | 5,593 |
| Season Tickets | .. | .. | 21 | .. | .. | 23 |
| PARCELS, ETC.,— | | | No. | | | No. |
| Parcels | .. | .. | 264 | .. | .. | 239 |
| Horses | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Carriages | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. |
| Dogs | .. | .. | 18 | .. | .. | 10 |
| Total | .. | .. | 283 | .. | .. | 249 |
| GOODS,— | | | No. | | | No. |
| Drays | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cattle | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Calves | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Sheep | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Pigs | .. | .. | 10 | .. | .. | .. |
| Total | .. | .. | 11 | .. | .. | 1 |

NELSON SECTION—continued.

| | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|------------------|-------|----|-------|-------|----|-----|
| | Tons. | | Tons. | | | |
| Chaff, Lime, &c. | .. | .. | 66 | .. | .. | 18 |
| Wool | .. | .. | 8 | .. | .. | 12 |
| Firewood | .. | .. | 288 | .. | .. | 234 |
| Timber | .. | .. | 445 | .. | .. | 237 |
| Grain | .. | .. | 241 | .. | .. | 115 |
| Merchandise | .. | .. | 101 | .. | .. | 92 |
| Minerals | .. | .. | 146 | .. | .. | 240 |
| Total | .. | .. | 1,295 | .. | .. | 948 |

| REVENUE,— | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---------------------------|------|----|----|------|----|----|
| Passengers | 272 | 1 | 4 | 287 | 1 | 4 |
| Parcels, Luggage, & Mails | 19 | 12 | 6 | 18 | 11 | 7 |
| Goods | 446 | 8 | 10 | 342 | 7 | 8 |
| Miscellaneous | 45 | 18 | 6 | 31 | 17 | 9 |
| Rents and Commission | 24 | 4 | 0 | 22 | 11 | 0 |
| Total | £808 | 5 | 2 | £702 | 9 | 4 |

PICOTON SECTION.

| PASSENGERS,— | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| | S. | R. | Total. | S. | R. | Total. |
| 1st Class | 129 | 1,262 | 1,391 | 109 | 740 | 849 |
| 2nd Class | 523 | 4,994 | 5,517 | 468 | 3,906 | 4,394 |
| Total | 652 | 6,256 | 6,908 | 597 | 4,646 | 5,243 |
| Season Tickets | .. | .. | 0 | .. | .. | 1 |
| PARCELS, ETC.,— | | | No. | | | No. |
| Parcels | .. | .. | 29 | .. | .. | 80 |
| Horses | .. | .. | 11 | .. | .. | 6 |
| Carriages | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Dogs | .. | .. | 11 | .. | .. | 10 |
| Total | .. | .. | 51 | .. | .. | 96 |

| GOODS,— | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|---------|-------|----|-----|-------|----|-----|
| | No. | | No. | | | |
| Drays | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cattle | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Calves | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Sheep | .. | .. | 242 | .. | .. | 189 |
| Pigs | .. | .. | 39 | .. | .. | .. |
| Total | .. | .. | 281 | .. | .. | 190 |

| | 1899. | | | 1898. | | |
|------------------|-------|----|-------|-------|----|-------|
| | Tons. | | Tons. | | | |
| Chaff, Lime, &c. | .. | .. | 84 | .. | .. | 312 |
| Wool | .. | .. | 71 | .. | .. | 31 |
| Firewood | .. | .. | 504 | .. | .. | 318 |
| Timber | .. | .. | 54 | .. | .. | .. |
| Grain | .. | .. | 261 | .. | .. | 269 |
| Merchandise | .. | .. | 219 | .. | .. | 229 |
| Minerals | .. | .. | 869 | .. | .. | 191 |
| Total | .. | .. | 2,062 | .. | .. | 1,350 |

| REVENUE,— | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---------------------------|------|----|----|------|----|----|
| Passengers | 338 | 9 | 2 | 287 | 11 | 11 |
| Parcels, Luggage, & Mails | 15 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 2 | 6 |
| Goods | 361 | 11 | 8 | 354 | 5 | 4 |
| Miscellaneous | 21 | 12 | 7 | 40 | 14 | 1 |
| Rents and Commission | 19 | 17 | 0 | 20 | 16 | 0 |
| Total | £756 | 12 | 7 | £672 | 9 | 10 |

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Railway Department, 12th December, 1899.

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1899-1900.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 11th November, 1899.

| Section. | Miles open for Traffic. | REVENUE. | | EXPENDITURE. | | FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE. | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | Four-weekly. | Total to Date. | Four-weekly. | Total to Date. | Per Cent. of Revenue. | Revenue per Mile of Railway. | Expenditure per Mile of Railway. |
| NORTH ISLAND,— | | | | | | | | |
| Kawakawa .. | 8 | £ s. d. 108 9 9 | £ s. d. 944 3 3 | £ s. d. 122 3 9 | £ s. d. 1,168 10 6 | 123.76 | £ s. d. 191 15 8 | £ s. d. 237 7 2 |
| Whangarei .. | 21 | 857 18 8 | 7,427 19 0 | 445 1 9 | 4,946 13 5 | 66.60 | 574 15 8 | 382 15 7 |
| Kaihu .. | 17 | 416 12 6 | 3,508 15 9 | 293 11 2 | 2,678 7 6 | 76.33 | 335 8 0 | 256 0 5 |
| Auckland .. | 327 | 12,334 6 5 | 94,837 16 9 | 8,694 8 1 | 66,863 5 4 | 70.50 | 471 5 9 | 332 5 5 |
| Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth .. | 451 | 30,372 1 0 | 223,244 18 6 | 24,900 8 9 | 174,660 10 10 | 78.24 | 804 7 6 | 629 6 5 |
| Total .. | 824 | 44,089 8 4 | 329,963 13 3 | 34,455 13 6 | 250,317 7 7 | 75.86 | | |
| MIDDLE ISLAND,— | | | | | | | | |
| Hurunui-Bluff .. | 1,173 | 65,511 11 2 | 530,370 14 0 | 45,352 14 3 | 339,316 2 11 | 63.98 | 739 15 4 | 473 5 8 |
| Greymouth-Brunner | 8 | 2,015 19 2 | 17,534 13 0 | 887 15 7 | 7,512 18 4 | 42.85 | 3,561 14 6 | 1,526 1 3 |
| Greymouth-Hokitika | 24 | 734 5 0 | 6,401 3 2 | 471 4 2 | 4,058 1 8 | 63.40 | 433 8 3 | 274 15 4 |
| Westport .. | 31 | 3,830 8 4 | 34,625 10 5 | 2,166 1 8 | 14,468 8 2 | 41.79 | 1,815 0 11 | 758 8 6 |
| Nelson .. | 23 | 808 5 2 | 6,485 2 3 | 773 15 6 | 8,473 0 4 | 130.65 | 458 3 9 | 598 12 9 |
| Piçon .. | 21 | 756 12 7 | 6,288 3 11 | 911 10 6 | 6,306 5 6 | 100.29 | 486 11 9 | 487 19 9 |
| Total .. | 1,280 | 73,657 1 5 | 601,705 6 9 | 50,563 1 8 | 380,134 16 11 | 63.18 | | |
| Grand total .. | 2,104 | 117,746 9 9 | 931,669 0 0 | 85,018 15 2 | 630,452 4 6 | 67.67 | | |

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|
| NORTH ISLAND,— | | | | | | | | |
| Kawakawa .. | 8 | £ s. d. 173 15 4 | £ s. d. 1,297 6 2 | £ s. d. 152 3 5 | £ s. d. 1,744 17 8 | 134.50 | £ s. d. 263 10 4 | £ s. d. 354 8 7 |
| Whangarei .. | 18 | 989 8 0 | 7,991 17 8 | 556 4 1 | 4,488 6 6 | 56.16 | 721 9 9 | 405 3 11 |
| Kaihu .. | 17 | 402 7 5 | 5,141 17 8 | 304 1 1 | 2,863 16 3 | 55.69 | 491 10 1 | 273 14 11 |
| Auckland .. | 312 | 11,636 1 2 | 89,522 6 7 | 8,221 12 6 | 64,176 9 11 | 71.69 | 466 5 3 | 334 5 0 |
| Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth .. | 451 | 27,200 14 4 | 209,578 4 7 | 18,108 12 5 | 158,029 18 3 | 75.40 | 755 2 8 | 569 8 0 |
| Total .. | 806 | 40,402 6 3 | 313,531 12 8 | 27,342 13 6 | 231,308 8 7 | 73.77 | | |
| MIDDLE ISLAND,— | | | | | | | | |
| Hurunui-Bluff .. | 1,142 | 54,636 14 0 | 459,706 12 0 | 35,586 4 2 | 302,653 0 9 | 65.84 | 654 2 8 | 430 13 2 |
| Greymouth-Brunner | 8 | 1,908 4 11 | 13,810 9 1 | 920 4 10 | 8,292 16 2 | 60.05 | 2,805 5 0 | 1,684 9 7 |
| Greymouth-Hokitika | 24 | 773 14 3 | 6,017 2 2 | 287 10 1 | 3,735 17 7 | 62.09 | 407 8 2 | 252 19 0 |
| Westport .. | 31 | 3,564 3 6 | 32,488 15 5 | 1,583 4 7 | 13,102 15 7 | 40.33 | 1,703 0 10 | 686 16 9 |
| Nelson .. | 23 | 702 9 4 | 6,221 5 1 | 1,252 10 11 | 9,213 5 11 | 148.09 | 439 10 11 | 650 13 9 |
| Piçon .. | 21 | 672 9 10 | 4,921 17 5 | 1,090 13 8 | 6,109 16 10 | 124.14 | 380 17 2 | 472 15 8 |
| Total .. | 1,249 | 62,257 15 10 | 523,166 1 2 | 40,720 8 3 | 343,107 12 10 | 65.58 | | |
| Grand total .. | 2,055 | 102,660 2 1 | 836,697 13 10 | 68,063 1 9 | 574,411 1 5 | 68.65 | | |

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Railway Department, 12th December, 1899.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC on ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1899, to 11th November, 1899.

| All Sections. | Passengers. | | | | | Season Tickets. | Number. | | | | | Number. | | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------|---------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|---------|----------|---------|------------|--------|---------|------------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| | First Class. | | Second Class. | | Total. | | Total. | Parcels. | Horses. | Carriages. | Dogs. | Total. | Drays, &c. | Cattle. | Calves. | Sheep. | Pigs. | Total. |
| | S. | R. | S. | R. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1899 | 68,713 | 492,910 | 375,438 | 1,965,116 | 2,842,177 | 38,638 | 367,751 | 6,354 | 620,164 | 435,391 | 1,604 | 748,401 | 1,184 | 1,604 | 1,337 | 448 | 23,392 | 1,403,376 |
| 1898 | 67,419 | 394,322 | 350,774 | 1,786,444 | 2,598,959 | 33,545 | 340,629 | 5,837 | 557,150 | 92,362 | 1,115 | 550,344 | 302,296 | 1,156 | 255 | 19,745 | 1,218,276 | |
| Inc. | 1,294 | 38,588 | 24,664 | 178,672 | 243,218 | 5,093 | 27,122 | 517 | 63,134 | 1,943 | 29,045 | 198,575 | 4 | .. | 181,193 | 3,647 | 190,100 | |
| Dec. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 692 | .. | .. | .. | |

| All Sections. | Tons. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|--------------|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
| | Chaff, Lime, &c. | | Wool. | | Firewood. | | Timber. | | Grain. | | Merchandise. | | Minerals. | | Total. | |
| | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. | Tons | c. qr. |
| 1899 | 50,930 | 0 0 | 22,969 | 16 0 | 59,938 | 0 0 | 207,185 | 15 0 | 512,826 | 5 0 | 314,253 | 17 0 | 773,552 | 7 0 | 1,941,656 | 0 0 |
| 1898 | 61,270 | 0 0 | 20,744 | 0 0 | 59,568 | 0 0 | 195,822 | 4 0 | 274,462 | 14 0 | 283,047 | 11 0 | 717,923 | 19 0 | 1,612,838 | 8 0 |
| Increase | .. | .. | 2,225 | 16 0 | 370 | 0 0 | 11,363 | 11 0 | 238,363 | 11 0 | 31,206 | 6 0 | 55,628 | 8 0 | 328,817 | 12 0 |
| Decrease | 10,340 | 0 0 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1899, as furnished by Public Works Department, including Public Works Loan Expenditure on Harbour-works forming Part of the Railway System.

| Section. | Cost of Opened Lines. | | Cost of Unopened Lines. | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. |
| Kawakawa | 91,688 | 0 0 | .. | .. |
| Whangarei | 162,058 | 0 0 | .. | .. |
| Kaihu | 70,644 | 0 0 | .. | .. |
| Auckland | 2,370,235 | 0 0 | 143,216 | 0 0 |
| Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth | 3,867,281 | 0 0 | 171,079 | 0 0 |
| Wellington-Foxton (private line) | .. | .. | 42,116 | 0 0 |
| Surveys, North Island | .. | .. | 21,611 | 0 0 |
| Miscellaneous | .. | .. | 5,169 | 0 0 |
| Hurunui-Bluff | 8,832,421 | 0 0 | 77,660 | 0 0 |
| Greymouth-Brunner | 196,972 | 0 0 | 15,959 | 0 0 |
| Greymouth Harbour Works | .. | .. | 127,234 | 0 0 |
| Greymouth-Hokitika | 195,549 | 0 0 | .. | .. |
| Westport | 220,773 | 0 0 | .. | .. |
| Westport Harbour Works | .. | .. | 14,111 | 0 0 |
| Nelson | 165,225 | 0 0 | 12,537 | 0 0 |
| Picton | 206,230 | 0 0 | 63,568 | 0 0 |
| Stock, Permanent-way | .. | .. | 33,262 | 0 0 |
| Stock, A.O.L. Stores | .. | .. | 17,988 | 0 0 |
| Surveys, Middle Island | .. | .. | 36,213 | 0 0 |
| Miscellaneous | .. | .. | 5,168 | 0 0 |
| Stock in suspense | 25,000 | 0 0 | .. | .. |
| Total | 16,404,076 | 0 0 | 786,891 | 0 0 |

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

Railway Department, 12th December, 1899.

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

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

| Countries. | ARRIVALS. | | | | | DEPARTURES. | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|----------------|-------------|-----|-----------|----|----------------|
| | Adults. | | Children. | | Total Persons. | Adults. | | Children. | | Total Persons. |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | | M. | F. | M. | F. | |
| United Kingdom | 163 | 123 | 26 | 22 | 334 | 16 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 26 |
| Queensland | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Victoria | 250 | 105 | 10 | 14 | 379 | 73 | 37 | 10 | 11 | 131 |
| New South Wales | 924 | 384 | 67 | 55 | 1,430 | 323 | 178 | 26 | 25 | 552 |
| Western Australia | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| South Australia | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Tasmania | 39 | 15 | 3 | 3 | 60 | 35 | 15 | 1 | .. | 51 |
| Fiji | 12 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 26 | 5 | 2 | .. | .. | 7 |
| Other British possessions | 11 | 2 | .. | .. | 13* | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Pacific Islands | 15 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 30† | 8 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 17‡ |
| Other foreign ports | 17 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 29§ | 10 | 3 | 1 | .. | 14 |
| Totals, November, 1899 | 1,431 | 655 | 112 | 105 | 2,303 | 470 | 244 | 43 | 41 | 798 |
| Totals, November, 1898 | 1,402 | 531 | 114 | 89 | 2,136 | 468 | 235 | 66 | 60 | 829 |

* From Norfolk Island, 4; Cape Colony, 9. † From Friendly Islands, 15; Cook Islands, 15. ‡ For Friendly Islands, 13; Cook Islands, 4. § From United States of America. || For United States of America.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

| Ports. | ARRIVALS. | | | | | DEPARTURES. | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|----------|----------------|-------------|-----------|--------|----------|----------------|
| | Adults. | Children. | Males. | Females. | Total Persons. | Adults. | Children. | Males. | Females. | Total Persons. |
| Kaipara | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Auckland | 587 | 73 | 425 | 235 | 660 | 266 | 32 | 183 | 115 | 298 |
| Wellington | 1,087 | 112 | 815 | 384 | 1,199 | 287 | 29 | 210 | 106 | 316 |
| Napier | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Greymouth | 1 | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Invercargill | 409 | 31 | 301 | 139 | 440 | 159 | 20 | 118 | 61 | 179 |
| Totals, November, 1899 | 2,086 | 217 | 1,543 | 760 | 2,303 | 714 | 84 | 513 | 285 | 798 |
| Totals, November, 1898 | 1,93 | 203 | 1,516 | 620 | 2,136 | 703 | 126 | 534 | 295 | 829 |

CHINESE.—Arrivals—at Wellington, 3 males, 1 female. Departures—from Auckland, 1 male; Wellington, 30 males.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1899.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES JOHN STONE, of Otahuhu, Clerk, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 11th day of December, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 4th December, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.

Estate of WILLIAM WALTON, of New Plymouth, Grocer. NOTICE is hereby given that a public examination of the bankrupt will be held at the District Court, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 20th December next at 11 o'clock a.m.

J. C. DAVIES,
Deputy Official Assignee.

New Plymouth, 9th December, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wanganui, holden at Palmerston North.

NOTICE is hereby given that HARRY PERCY BROWN, of Apiti, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Feilding, on Thursday, the 14th day of December, 1899, at 2 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

2nd December, 1899.

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In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN EDWARD BROADBENT, of Masterton, Wagon-driver, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse at Masterton, on Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1899, at 12 o'clock noon.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 13th December, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that BERNARD MCGUIRE, of Picton, Settler, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1899, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 9th December, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT EDWARD HORN-BLOW, of Wellington, Auctioneer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 19th day of December, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 11th December, 1899.

In Bankruptcy.

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

Composition.

Allan Cameron, 10s. in the pound in full settlement.

- R. C. Humphreys, 7s. 6d. in the pound.
- W. J. Gett, 4s. in the pound.
- David Thompson, 11½d. in the pound.
- W. N. Cathro, 9d. in the pound.
- John O'Donnell, 4½d. in the pound.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 1st December, 1899.

Mining Notice.

UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1898."

APPLICATION FOR WATER-RACE.

To the Warden of the Hauraki Mining District, at Paeroa.

IN PURSUANT to "The Mining Act, 1898," the under-signed Alfred Shepherd, of Katikati, hotelkeeper, hereby applies for a license for a water-race as specified in the Schedule hereto, the course whereof has been duly marked out for the purpose.

Address for service: Care of Miller and Porritt, Solicitors, Paeroa.

Date and number of miner's right: 18th August, 1899; No. 9175.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1899.

SCHEDULE.

| Locality of the Race, and of its starting and Terminal Points. | Proposed Term of License. | Length and Intended Course of Race. | Estimated Time and Cost of Construction. | Mean Depth and Breadth. | Number of Heads to be diverted. | Purpose for which Water is to be used. |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| The Rereataukahia Stream, Katikati, commencing at a point marked by a peg marked X, about three miles above the Main Road to Tauranga, and terminating at a peg marked X about a mile above the said road. | Forty-two years. | North-easterly. | Two years; £1,000. | 2 ft. x 4 ft. | Twenty. | For driving electrical generating machinery. |

ALFRED SHEPHERD
(by his Solicitors, MILLER AND PORRITT),
Applicant.

Precise time of filing of the foregoing application: 2nd December, 1899, at 11.50 a.m.

Time and place appointed for the hearing of the application, and all objections thereto: Wednesday, 20th December, 1899, at 10 a.m., at the Warden's Court, Paeroa.

Objections thereto must be filed in Court and notified to applicant at least two days before the day so appointed.

J. MALFROY,
pro Mining Registrar.

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Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

809. JOSEPH WEST.—Section 174, Town of New Plymouth, containing 1 rood. Occupied by Archibald McGivin.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 1402). Dated this 6th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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

3509. SAMUEL HESKETH.—Part of Allotment 71, Section 1, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 27 perches. Occupied by weekly tenant.

3587. CHRISTOPHER BAILEY.—Lots 19 and 76 of Allotments 3 and 4, Section 5, Suburbs of Auckland, containing together 1 rood 6 perches. Occupied by weekly tenants.

3602. THOMAS BUDDLE.—Allotment 102, Section 16, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 4 acres 2 roods 34 perches. Occupied by tenant.

3608. ELIZABETH COLENSO, FRANCES MARY SIMCOX, and RIDLEY LATIMER COLENSO.—All that piece of land, situated in the Parish of Pakuranga, known as Land-claim No. 269A of William Thomas Fairburn, containing 348 acres 2 roods. Partly unoccupied, and partly occupied by tenants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office. Dated this 9th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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

8436. WILLIAM DIERCE.—1 acre 3 roods 31 perches, part of Rural Section 1530, Block XI., Rangiora Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8681. HELEN DOUGLAS ROSCOE.—12½ perches, part of Lot 61, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Maria Schroeder.

8697. FREDERICK WHITBROCK.—4 acres 3 roods 36 perches, part of Rural Section 333, Block XIV., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8700. GEORGE ARTHUR BUSHELL.—4 acres 2 roods 19 perches, Lot 10, Plan 1494, part of Rural Section 3936, Town District of Tinwald. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office. Dated this 9th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

802

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of WILLIAM DIAMOND, of Collingwood, Farmer, for Section 10, Block IV., Aorere Survey District, certificate of title, Vol. xix., folio 229, 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 11th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

H. W. ROBINSON,
District Land Registrar.

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APPLICATION having been made to me by THOMAS WOLNER, of New Plymouth, for the issue of a provisional certificate of title, in the name of the said Thomas Wolner, for Allotment No. 364 of Block VII. on the plan of the Township of Normanby, contained in certificate of title, Register-book, Vol. iv., folio 112, and a statutory declaration having been lodged with me of the loss of such certificate, I hereby give notice that I shall issue the provisional certificate of title, as requested, at the expiration of fourteen days after the date of the *Gazette* containing this

notice, unless in the meantime a caveat be lodged forbidding the same.

Dated this 11th day of December, 1899, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

805

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 15th day of January, 1900.

2884. THOMAS GEORGE MACARTHY.—3 roods 36.4 perches, part Section 213, City of Wellington. Occupied partly by Applicant and partly by Dr. Henry Pollen.

2945. ALFRED JAMES BENNETT and GEORGE TILLER.—4.87 perches, part Section 513, City of Wellington. Occupied by William Crothers Fitzgerald, the National Cash Register Company, — Bozaid, and C. H. Neiste as tenants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 13th 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 register a dealing affecting Lease No. 863, of which MARIA HILL is the Lessee, of Section 3, Block LXXII., Town of Invercargill, and evidence having been lodged with me of the loss of the outstanding duplicate of the said lease, I hereby give notice that I intend to register such dealing, and dispense with the production of the said duplicate lease, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within fourteen days from the date of gazetiting of this notice.

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

F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

[CERTIFIED COPY.]

COUNTY OF KAIKOURA.

SPECIAL ORDER.

By-law No. 4.—Hawkers and Pedlars.

1. FROM and after the commencement and coming into operation of this by-law, it shall not be lawful for any person to carry on the business of a hawker and pedlar in any place whatsoever within the County of Kaikoura without having previously obtained a license as hereinafter directed.

2. Every person carrying on such business as aforesaid shall be deemed and taken to be unlicensed unless he or she shall prove to the contrary by the production of his or her license or otherwise.

3. The words "hawker or pedlar" shall include any person or persons who, with or without horses or carriages, shall carry or convey for sale and immediate delivery from house to house any goods, wares, or merchandise, or who shall seek for orders for the purchase, sale, and delivery at any future time of any goods, wares, or merchandise for sale in any public place within the said county; and shall also include any person or persons who shall within the said county sell, or seek for orders for the sale or purchase of, books or other publications, including prints, engravings, and pictures, either for themselves as principals, or as agents for the publishers of such books or publications, prints, engravings, or pictures, or for any other person whatsoever.

4. The license shall be issued by the County Clerk to any person applying for the same on payment of the under-mentioned fees, which shall be payable to the County Fund for such licenses:—

- (a.) License-fee for any person who shall carry his or her goods or samples by hand or in a pack: For a year, ten shillings (10s.).
- (b.) License-fee for a person who shall carry his or her goods or samples by means of a pack-horse or pack-horses: For a year, one pound (£1).
- (c.) License-fee for a person who shall carry his or her goods or samples by means of a vehicle drawn by one or more horses, mules, or other beasts of burden: For a year, five pounds (£5).

Yearly licenses shall expire on the 31st day of December of each and every subsequent year.

All licenses shall be dated on the first day of the month then current.

5. Nothing in this by-law shall render it necessary for a license to be obtained by the following persons, as such:—

(a.) Commercial travellers or other persons selling or seeking orders for goods, wares, or merchandise to or from any person or persons who are dealers therein, or who buy to sell again.

(b.) Persons selling or exposing for sale goods, wares, or merchandise in any public mart, market, or fairly legalised establishment; or any person selling or offering for sale meat, bread, fish, fruit, garden farm or dairy produce.

6. Any person guilty within the County of Kaikoura of any contravention, omission, or neglect of any of the provisions contained in this by-law shall be and be deemed to be guilty of a breach thereof, and shall on being convicted of every such breach be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, and, in case of a continuing breach, to a further penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day or part of a day (following the day upon which such breach shall have been originally committed) during which such breach shall continue.

7. This by-law shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 1900.

8. The by-law relating to hawkers and pedlars passed by the Kaikoura County Council on the 19th day of June, 1890, is hereby repealed.

Passed by the Council at a special meeting of the Council of the County of Kaikoura held for that purpose on the 21st day of October, 1899.

Confirmed by the Council of the County of Kaikoura at a special meeting held for that purpose on the 22nd day of November, 1899, the notice of which had been duly advertised once in each week between the aforementioned meetings, in accordance with the provisions of "The Counties Act, 1886."

In witness whereof we have, this 22nd day of November, 1899, caused the common seal of the Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Kaikoura to be hereunto affixed in the presence of—

(Signed) G. TAYLOR, Chairman.
G. ESTCOURT PARSONS, Councillor.
JAMES DAVIDSON, Councillor.
CALEB SMITH, County Clerk.

[L.s.]

I hereby certify that the above special order was duly passed by the Kaikoura County Council at a special meeting held on the 22nd day of November, 1899, in accordance with the provisions of "The Counties Act, 1886."

CALEB SMITH,
County Clerk.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION OF THE PHARMACY BOARD OF NEW ZEALAND UNDER "THE PHARMACY ACT, 1898."

I HEREBY give notice that Messrs. Graves Aickin and James Alexander Haslett were the only persons nominated as the two members of the Pharmacy Board of New Zealand for the District of Auckland, Messrs. George Bonnington and Emil Christian Skog as the two members of the Board for the District of Canterbury, and Messrs. Alexander Bagley and Thomas Johnstone as the two members of the Board for the District of Otago; and of the number of votes received by each candidate at the voting taken this day for the election of four members of the Board for the Central District of Wellington—

| | Votes. |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Mr. Robert Charles Brien | 24 |
| Mr. Leon Cohen | 34 |
| Mr. William C. Fitzgerald | 17 |
| Mr. Ernest William Giesen | 70 |
| Mr. Richard Douglas Hanlon | 61 |
| Mr. Thomas Hopper Hustwick | 55 |
| Mr. George Mee | 83 |
| Mr. William Parker | 32 |
| Mr. Donald Langley Turner | 17 |

I therefore declare the following to be duly elected members of the Pharmacy Board of New Zealand, to come into office on the 1st day of January, 1900:—

Messrs. Graves Aickin and James Alexander Haslett, for the District of Auckland;
Messrs. George Mee, Ernest William Giesen, Richard Douglas Hanlon, and Thomas Hopper Hustwick, for the Central District of Wellington;
Messrs. George Bonnington and Emil Christian Skog, for the District of Canterbury; and
Messrs. Alexander Bagley and Thomas Johnstone, for the District of Otago.

Dated at Christchurch, this 5th day of December, 1899.

H. Y. WIDDOWSON,
Registrar.

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"NAIRN'S CASH GROCERY."

PLEASE take notice that I have this day sold to Mr. D. A. NAIRN all my interest in "Nairn's Cash Grocery," Victoria Road, Devonport, and that he will pay all accounts and receive all moneys in connection therewith from this 4th day of December, 1899.

J. W. NAIRN,
Parnell,
Auckland.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and the Acts amending the same; and in the matter of the Eketahuna Express Newspaper Company (Limited), (in liquidation).

A GENERAL Meeting of the above company, for the purpose of having the account laid before them, and hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators, will be held on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, at Carter's Temperance Hotel, Eketahuna.

J. JONES,
A. H. HERBERT, } Liquidators.
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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership existing between JAMES STEWART and JAMES STEWART the younger, carrying on business in Karangahape Road, Auckland, as Tailors, was dissolved on the 23rd day of September, 1899. The said business is now carried on by James Stewart.

JAMES STEWART, JUN.
Auckland, 6th December, 1899. 795

TO SOLICITORS, NATIVE AGENTS, ETC.

THE following Rules can be obtained from the Government Stationery Office, Wellington, on application to the undersigned:—

RULES OF THE NATIVE LAND COURT. In English, price 1s.; in Maori, 1s.

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THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION,
Wellington.

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