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Declaring State Forests in the Land District of Wellington.

(L.S.)

RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, 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 set apart the forest land described in the Schedule hereto, forming part of the Crown lands in New Zealand, as and for State forests within the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 3,400 acres, more or less, being part of the Maharahara (Wharite) Block, Blocks XI., XII., XV., Pohangina Survey District. Commencing at the north-eastern angle of Section No. 4, Block XI., Pohangina Survey District, and bounded generally towards the north by part of Section No. 9, Block XI., and by Subdivision No. 5 of the Tamaki Block; generally towards the east and south-east by the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay; generally towards the south-west by Section No. 4 and part of Section No. 1, Block XV.; and generally towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 7A and 4, Block XI., to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61A, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 3,156 acres 1 rood, more or less, being part of Subdivision No. 1, Tamaki Block, Blocks IV. and VIII., Pohangina, and XIV., Umutoi Survey Districts. Commencing at the most western angle of Subdivision No. 4, Tamaki Block, and bounded towards the north-east by the said Subdivision No. 4; towards the south-east by the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay; towards the south-west by Subdivision No. 2 of the Tamaki Block; and towards the north-west by Section No. 47, Block VIII., and by Section No. 65, Block IV., Pohangina Survey District, to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61B, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 6,760 acres, more or less, being part of Subdivision No. 1, Rangiwaea Block, Block XV., Ruapehu, and Blocks II. and III., Karioi, Survey Districts. Commencing at a point on the north-western boundary of the said Subdivision No. 1 about 114 chains north-east of Trig. C, Panimanawera, and bounded towards the north-west by the Waikaki Block; generally towards the north-east by the National Park and the northern boundary of the said Subdivision No. 1; towards the south-east by part of Subdivision No. 4F, Rangiwaea, and Subdivisions Nos. 4F No. 15 and 4F No. 17, to the most westerly angle of the last-mentioned subdivision; and towards the south-west by a right line from the last-mentioned point to the point of commence-

ment: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61C, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 45,146 acres, more or less, being Subdivisions Nos. 2A and 3A, Kaimanawa Block, situated in Waiotaka and Mangamaire Survey Districts. Commencing at the most eastern angle of Subdivision No. 2B, Kaimanawa, and bounded generally towards the north-east by Subdivisions No. 2B and No. 1F, Kaimanawa; generally towards the east and south-east by the Mangamaire Stream, Orouamatua-Kaimanawa No. 1 Block, and by a tributary of the Moawhango River; and towards the west and north-west by Subdivision No. 3B, Kaimanawa, and the Te Hautu Block, to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61D, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 23,800 acres, more or less, being part of Mangoira and Ngamoko Blocks, situated in Ruahine and Umutoi Survey Districts. Commencing at the southernmost angle of Section No. 5, Block IX., Ruahine, and bounded generally towards the north and north-east by the said Section No. 5, by the Pourangaki Stream, by Subdivisions Nos. 1A No. 3A, 1A No. 3B, and No. 1A No. 3, South Awarua Block; generally towards the east and south-east by the eastern boundary of the Mangoira Block, by part of the north-eastern boundary of Ngamoko Block, and by the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay; towards the south-west by Te Ohu Block; and generally towards the west by a road-line, by the Makiekie or Coal Creek, by Sections Nos. 3, 2, and 1, Block VIII., Umutoi Survey District, by Sections Nos. 28, 27, 26, 46, and 6, Block IV., by a road-line, and by Sections Nos. 28 and 24, by a road-line, by Sections Nos. 18, 17, 16, and 4, Block I., and by Sections Nos. 16, 13, 6, and 5, Block XIII., Ruahine Survey District, to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61E, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,807 acres 2 roods 5 perches, more or less, being Section No. 4, Block XI., Kaitawa Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by part of Section No. 10, Block VII., and by part of Section No. 2, Block XII., Kaitawa Survey District; towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 5 and 7, and by part of Section No. 4, Block XII.; towards the south-west by Subdivision No. 40, Ngarara West C Block; and towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 3, 2, and 1, Block XI.: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61F, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 7,620 acres, more or less, being the Umutaora Block, Block IV., Pohangina, and Blocks X., XII., XIII., and XIV., Umutoi Survey Districts. Commencing at the most western angle of the Piripiri Block, and bounded towards the north by the Piripiri Block; towards the south-east by the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay; towards the south-west by Subdivision No. 4 of the Tamaki Block; and

generally towards the north-west by Section No. 17, Block IV., Pohangina Survey District, by a road-line, and by Sections Nos. 11 and 1, Block X., Umutoi Survey District, to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61G, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,520 acres, more or less, being Section No. 1, Block XV., Kaitawa Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Subdivision No. 40, Ngarara West C Block; towards the south-east by part of Section No. 5, by Section No. 6, Block XVI., Kaitawa Survey District, and by part of Section No. 8, Block III., Akatarawa Survey District: towards the south-west by Subdivision No. 18, Ngarara West C Block; and towards the north-west generally by a road-line, and by Section No. 39, Block X., Kaitawa Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61H, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 2,400 acres, more or less, situated in Blocks II. and IV., Gorge Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 3, 4, and 5, Block II.; towards the north-west by Section No. 5 aforesaid; again towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 9, 10, 12, and 13 (Malton Farm Homestead Association Block), Block II. aforesaid; towards the south-east by the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay; towards the south-west by a forest reserve; and again towards the north-west by Subdivision X. of the Manchester Block: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61I, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 45,000 acres, more or less, being Rangipo North Subdivisions Nos. 2B, 3B, 5B, 7A, and 7B, and portions of Nos. 1B, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 6A, and 6B, situated in the Ruapehu, Pihanga, and Kaimanawa Survey Districts. Commencing at the south-western angle of Rangipo North 1c Subdivision, and bounded towards the north by Rangipo North, Subdivisions Nos. 1c, 2c, and the Poutu River to its confluence with the Waikato River; generally towards the east and south-east by the Waikato River, by Subdivisions Nos. 2d and 3c, again by the Waikato River, by Subdivisions Nos. 4c, 5c, 8, and 7c, to the southernmost angle of the last-mentioned subdivision; generally towards the south and south-west by Rangipo-Waiu Block No. 1, by Rangipo North Subdivision No. 6c and part of the south-west boundary of Subdivision No. 6b to the western boundary of the National Park; and generally towards the west and north-west by the National Park to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61J, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 80,800 acres, more or less, situated in Piopotea, Kaitieke, Tongariro, Manganui, and Ruapehu Survey Districts. Commencing at the most northern angle of Subdivision No. 1, Taurewa Block, on the Whakapapa River, and bounded generally towards the north by Subdivision No. 4 and Subdivision No. 2b, Taurewa Block, again by Subdivision No. 4 and by part of Subdivision No. 3m, Okahukura Block, to the National Park; generally towards the east and south-east by the National Park to the Mangaturuturu Stream; generally towards the south by the Mangaturuturu Stream; generally towards the west and north-west by Sections Nos. 17, 14, and 12, by a road-line, and by Sections Nos. 8 and 6, Block XII., Manganui Survey District, by the Manganui-a-te-Ao Stream, by Sections Nos. 18 and 13, by the Makotote Stream, and by Sections Nos. 9, 8, 4, and 19, Block VIII., to the north-eastern angle of the last-mentioned section, thence by a right line to the western boundary of Block V., Ruapehu Survey District, by the western boundaries of Blocks I. and V. to the south-eastern boundary of Subdivision No. 4, Waimarino Block, by the last-mentioned Subdivision No. 4 to its north-eastern angle, thence by a right line to the south-western angle of Native Reserve F, Waimarino Block, by the southern boundary of the last-mentioned reserve to the Whakapapa River, thence by the Whakapapa River to the point of commencement. The area of Tawhai North Block, and Subdivision B, Mahuia Block, falling within the above-described boundaries, are excluded therefrom. As the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61K, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 21,000 acres, more or less, situated in Rimutaka, Pencarrow, and Onoke Survey Districts. Commencing at the most southern angle of Section No. 94, Block XVII., Rimutaka Survey District, and bounded generally towards the north by the said Section No. 94, by an area reserved for timber and water-supply, by a forest reserve, by Section No. 100, Block V., Wairarapa Survey District, and by a road-line to the southernmost angle of Section No. 103, Block IX.; generally towards the east and south-east by Section No. 76, Block IX., Wairarapa Survey District, by Sections Nos. 74, 73, 72, Block I., Onoke Survey District, by Sections Nos. 71, 60, 104, and 59, Block II., by

Sections Nos. 58, 51, 45, 40, and 36, Block IV., by Sections Nos. 32, 29, 21, and 1, Block VI., by a road-line along the sea-coast to the south-east angle of Section No. 3, Block V., by Section No. 3, by Henakitaka Native Reserve, by Section No. 2, Block VII., Pencarrow Survey District, and again by a road-line along the sea-coast to the north-eastern angle of the Orongorongo Block; generally towards the south-west and west by a portion of the Orongorongo Block, by Section No. 83, Block V., Pencarrow Survey District, by Grace's Stream, by Sections Nos. 61 and 62, Block I., and by Sections Nos. 65, 97, 96, 95, and part of 74, Block XVII., Rimutaka Survey District, to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61L, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement about 32,000 acres, more or less, situated in Haurangi, Waipawa, and Kaiwaka Survey Districts. Commencing at the most southern angle of Section No. 92, Block III., Haurangi Survey District, and bounded generally towards the north and north-east by part of the said Section No. 92, by Sections Nos. 93, 91, 46, 45, 44, 93, and 1, Block III., by Section No. 3, Block IV., by Sections Nos. 1, 6, Block VIII., by Sections Nos. 1, 2, and 4, Block XII., Haurangi Survey District, by Section No. 5, Block IX., and by Section No. 1, Block XIII., Waipawa Survey District, to Trig. Rough Hill East; generally towards the east and south-east by part of Section No. 188, by Section No. 189, Block XIII., Waipawa Survey District, by Sections Nos. 200, 201, 25, and 26, Block IV., Kaiwaka Survey District, by Sections Nos. 26, 12, 13, 14, 15, Block VIII., by Section No. 28, Block XI., and by a road-line along the sea-coast to the south-eastern corner of Waitatuma Block; and generally towards the west by the Waitatuma Block, by the Turanganui River, by Crown lands, by Sections Nos. 79 and 78, Block X., Haurangi Survey District, by part of Section No. 42, by Sections Nos. 41, 39, and part of Section No. 38, Block VI., to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61M, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing about 155,000 acres, more or less, situated in Araruru, Tararua, Waiopahu, Mikimiki, Taungata, Kaitawa, Tiffin, Eritonga, Waiohine, and Akatarawa Survey Districts. Commencing at the south-western angle of forest reserve in Block VIII., Araruru Survey District, and bounded towards the north-east by the above-mentioned forest reserve, being a right line passing through Araruru Trig. Station; towards the east and south-east by Sections Nos. 1, part of 9, 2, 3, 7, 8, and part of 6, Block II., Tararua Survey District, by Sections Nos. 8, 11, 13, 14, 17, 21, 22, 24, 26, and 27, Block IV., by Sections Nos. 33, 35, and 38, Block VII., by Sections Nos. 42, 45, and 1, Block VI., by Sections Nos. 1, 3, 9, 6, 7, 11, Block IX., to the western angle of the last-mentioned section; thence by right lines bearing 199° 53', 22000 links, 109° 53', 16800 links, and 199° 53', 45000 links respectively, to Trig. Station Te Mara; thence by right lines to Trig. Stations Pinnacle and Waiohine; generally towards the south-west by Crown lands set aside for the Greytown water-supply to the south-western angle of the last-mentioned area, by unsurveyed Crown lands, and by a gazetted forest reserve to the western angle of the last-mentioned reserve; generally towards the west and north-west by part of Section No. 11, by Sections Nos. 10 and 9, Block IV., Akatarawa Survey District, by Sections Nos. 3, 2, and 1, Block XVI., Kaitawa Survey District, by Sections Nos. 6, 4, and 3, Block XII., by Sections Nos. 20 and 19, Block V., Taungata Survey District, by part of the Waiohanga No. 1c Block, by Sections Nos. 71 and 70, Block I., by Sections Nos. 69, 68, and 61, Block XIV., Waiopahu Survey District, by Section No. 60, Block X., part of the Muhunua No. 2 Block, part of Section No. 55, and by Section No. 53, by part of Subdivision No. 12, Horowheua Block, by Sections Nos. 4 and 5, Block IV., Waiopahu Survey District, by the Mangahao River, by Sections Nos. 3, 2, and 1, Block XI., Araruru Survey District, by Section No. 15, Block IX., by Sections Nos. 5, 4, 3, and 2, Block X., and by Sections Nos. 318, 317, 316, and 315, Block VIII., to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked 71/61, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

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 January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Commissioner of State Forests.

Approved in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Native Lands acquired by Her Majesty declared to be Crown Lands.

(L.S.)

RANFURLY, Governor.
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section two hundred and fifty of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that whenever the Governor is satisfied that any Native lands acquired by Her Majesty in any way, or purchased out of any sums authorised or to be authorised to be issued and expended in the purchase of lands in the North Island of New Zealand, are free from Native claims and all difficulties in connection therewith, he shall, by Proclamation, declare such lands to be Crown lands, subject to be sold and dealt with as in the said Act is more particularly mentioned: And whereas the lands hereinafter mentioned have been purchased out of sums so authorised to be issued and expended as aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, being satisfied that the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto are free from Native claims, and all difficulties in connection therewith, do hereby, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, proclaim and declare the lands so enumerated as aforesaid to be Crown lands, subject to be sold and dealt with according to the provisions of the laws regulating the sale and disposal of Crown lands in force in the land districts in which they are respectively situated.

SCHEDULE.

Names of Blocks.	Area.	Survey Districts.	Number of Map, and District Lands and Survey Office in which deposited.	Deed.		
				Number.	Series.	
Ruapekapeka No. 7A ..	A. R. P. 185 2 5	Hukerenui	6507 ^{FA} ..	Auckland..	3232 ..	Auckland
Ketetangariki B No. 1 ..	653 1 0	Tutamoe	4827 ^{B1} ..	" ..	3233 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 1D No. 1 ..	41 0 26	Purua	6550 ^{D1} ..	" ..	3234 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 1F No. 1 ..	140 0 14	"	6550 ^{F1} ..	" ..	3234 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12A No. 1 ..	709 3 12	Purua and Tangihua ..	6550 ^{12A1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12B No. 1 ..	95 2 5	Purua	6550 ^{12B1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12D No. 1 ..	209 2 8	"	6550 ^{12D1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12F No. 1 ..	346 3 3	"	6550 ^{12F1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12G No. 1 ..	37 0 17	"	6550 ^{12G1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12M No. 1 ..	790 1 17	Tangihua	6550 ^{12M1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12O No. 1 ..	215 1 3	Purua	6550 ^{12O1} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 12Q ..	109 2 16	Tangihua	6550 ^{12Q} ..	" ..	3016 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 13B No. 1 ..	1,009 0 0	Purua	6550 ^{13B1} ..	" ..	3235 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 13I No. 1 ..	111 0 7	"	6550 ^{13I1} ..	" ..	3237 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 13M No. 1 ..	222 3 16	"	6550 ^{13M1} ..	" ..	3238 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 13Y No. 1 ..	369 1 25	"	6550 ^{13Y1} ..	" ..	3239 ..	"
Whatitiri No. 13Z No. 1 ..	909 0 31	Purua and Mangakahia ..	6550 ^{13Z1} ..	" ..	3240 ..	"
Karaka No. 1 (part of) ..	770 2 0	Coromandel	2278 ..	" ..	3241 ..	"
Mangatotara No. 2B ..	290 0 0	Opoutihi	5319 ^{B2} ..	" ..	3243 ..	"
Mangawhero No. 1A ..	1,197 0 0	Piako	6548 ^{1A} ..	" ..	3244 ..	"
Mangawhero No. 1B ..	509 2 0	"	6548 ^{1B} ..	" ..	3244 ..	"
Mangawhero No. 3A ..	907 (about)	"	6548 ^{3A} ..	" ..	3244 ..	"
Mangawhero No. 3B ..	676 (about)	"	6548 ^{3B} ..	" ..	3244 ..	"
Pouakani A No. 1A ..	3,643 0 0	Ranginui and Wharepapa ..	6496 ^A ..	" ..	3245 ..	"
Pouakani A No. 2A ..	2,950 0 0	Ranginui	6491 ^A ..	" ..	3245 ..	"
Pouakani A No. 3A ..	2,830 0 0	"	6492 ^A ..	" ..	3245 ..	"
Pouakani B No. 6A ..	16,699 0 0	Whakamaru and Te Ati-a-Muri ..	6493 ^A ..	" ..	3246 ..	"
Pouakani B No. 9A ..	7,340 0 0	Ranginui and Hurakia ..	6408 ^A ..	" ..	3247 ..	"
Pouakani C No. 1A ..	4,046 0 0	Ranginui and Whakamaru ..	6412 ^A ..	" ..	3248 ..	"
Pouakani C No. 2 ..	250 0 0	Ranginui	6413 ..	" ..	3249 ..	"
Pouakani D No. 2A ..	675 0 0	Marotiri	6036 ..	" ..	3250 ..	"
Ngatipahiko B No. 1A ..	1,214 0 0	Maketu	5579 ^{B1A} ..	" ..	3251 ..	"
Ngatipahiko B No. 2A ..	2,819 0 0	"	5579 ^{B2A} ..	" ..	3251 ..	"
Ngatipahiko No. 3B and 3D ..	8,614 0 0	"	5579 ^{B3 and B3} ..	" ..	3251 ..	"
Te Karangi B No. 1 ..	550 0 0	"	6097 ..	" ..	3252 ..	"
Kaikokopu No. 2B, Sec. 1 ..	150 0 0	Rotoiti	1726 ..	" ..	3253 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 6A ..	184 0 0	Te Tumū and Maketu ..	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 5A ..	111 0 0	"	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 4A ..	429 0 0	"	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 7A ..	48 0 0	Te Tumū	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 8A ..	1,293 0 0	"	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 9A ..	87 0 0	Maketu	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 10A ..	70 0 0	"	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Tumu Kaituna No. 11C ..	1,301 0 0	Te Tumū and Maketu ..	1916 ..	" ..	3254 ..	"
Motuotau Island ..	6 0 30	Tauranga	5647 ..	" ..	1678 and 3255 ..	"
Pirongia West No. 1, Section 1 ..	*1,114 0 0	Kawhia North	6221 ..	" ..	3051 ..	"
Otorohanga No. 1F No. 2 ..	378 0 0	Orahiri	6164 ^{F2} ..	" ..	3256 ..	"
Hauturu West No. 1A, Section 1 ..	601 0 0	Kawhia North	6527 ^A ..	" ..	3257 ..	"
Kakepuku No. 5E ..	80 0 0	Pirongia and Puniu ..	6205 ^{H5} ..	" ..	3258 ..	"
Kakepuku No. 6F ..	114 0 0	"	6205 ^{J6} ..	" ..	3259 ..	"
Kakepuku No. 13A ..	322 0 0	Puniu	6205 ^Q ..	" ..	3260 ..	"
Puketarata No. 2D No. 4A ..	252 2 0	Mangaorongo	6157 ^{P4A} ..	" ..	2066 ..	"
Puketarata No. 2D No. 5A ..	47 3 28	Puniu and Mangaorongo ..	6157 ^{P5A} ..	" ..	2066 ..	"
Ouruwhero No. 3A ..	1,353 0 0	Pirongia and Puniu ..	6161 ^{3A} ..	" ..	3261 ..	"
Ouruwhero No. 3B ..	19 0 0	Puniu	6161 ^{3B} ..	" ..	3261 ..	"
Ouruwhero No. 3C ..	1,144 0 0	"	6161 ^{3C} ..	" ..	3261 ..	"
Ouruwhero No. 3F No. 1 ..	2 0 0	"	6161 ^{3F1} ..	" ..	3261 ..	"

* Substituted for 1,276 acres as per former Proclamation dated 27th July, 1898. (See Gazette No. 59, of 4th August, 1898.)

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 January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Defining the Middle Line of a Further Portion of the Otago Central Railway (Part of Eweburn-Wedderburn Section).

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Otago Central Railway (hereinafter termed "the said railway") is a railway the construction of which is authorised by "The Public Works Act, 1879": And whereas the said railway has been partly constructed, and it has been determined to construct and maintain a further portion of the same:

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 conferred by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and in exercise of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the middle line of the said further portion of the said railway shall be that defined and set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

COMMENCING at a point in the railway reserve on the eastern side of the road forming the western boundary of township reserve in Block VI., Maniototo Survey District, the said point being distant about 44 chains from the south-western corner of said township reserve, and being also the terminal point of a portion of the Otago Central Railway as described in a Proclamation dated the 21st day of May, 1897, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 48, of 27th May, 1897; proceeding thence generally in a north-westerly direction for a distance of about 8 miles 35½ chains, and passing in, into, through, or over the following lands—viz., railway reserve in Blocks VI., II., V., and I., Maniototo Survey District, and railway reserve in Block VII., Naseby Survey District—and terminating in the said railway reserve at a point on the eastern boundary of Pre-emptive Right A, No. 23, in the said Block VII., Naseby Survey District, distant about 100 links from the north-eastern corner thereof: including all adjoining and intervening places, lands, reserves, roads, rivers, streams, and water-courses: all in the Land District of Otago: as the same is shown by a red line on the plan marked P.W.D. 17855, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington.

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 tenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Defining the Middle Line of a Further Portion of the North Island Main Trunk Railway, from a Point at or near Marton to Te Awamutu, via Murimotu, Taumaranui, and the Ongarue River Valley (Parts of the Ohinemoa and Ongarue Sections).

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the North Island Main Trunk Railway, from a point at or near Marton to Te Awamutu, via Murimotu, Taumaranui, and the Ongarue River Valley (hereinafter termed "the said railway"), is a railway the construction of which is authorised by "The Railways Authorisation Act, 1884," which Act is, in the eighth section thereof, declared to be a special Act authorising the construction of such railway: And whereas the said railway has been partly constructed, and it has been determined to construct and maintain a further portion of the same:

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 conferred on me by the aforesaid section eight of "The Railways Authorisation Act, 1884," and by section one hundred and sixty-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and in exercise of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the middle line of the said further portion of the said railway shall be that defined and set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

COMMENCING at a point in the Rangitoto-Tuhua Native Block No. 6039, Block III., Tangitu Survey District, distant about 6 chains in a westerly direction from the Ongarue River, and distant about 43 chains in a south-westerly direction from the junction of the Ohinemoa Stream with the Ongarue River, which point is also the termination of a portion of the line of railway as described in a Proclamation dated the 23rd November, 1897, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 100, of the 2nd December, 1897; proceeding thence generally in a southerly direction for a distance of about 13 miles 40 chains, and passing in, into, through, or over the following lands—viz., Native lands in the Rangitoto-Tuhua Native Block No. 6039, situated in Blocks III., VII., XI., X., and XIII., Tangitu Survey District, and Block II., Rangi Survey District—and terminating at a point in the said Block II., Rangi Survey District, marked 67 miles on a railway survey-peg distant about 10 chains in an easterly direction from the Ongarue River, and distant about 15 chains in a southerly direction from the junction of the Ouweponga Stream with the Ongarue River: including all adjoining and intervening places, lands, reserves, roads, rivers, streams, and watercourses: all in the Land District of Taranaki: in the manner delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18696, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Defining the Middle Line of Further Portion of the Helensville Northwards Railway, Komokoriki Section.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS an extension of the Helensville Northwards Railway to the Kaipara Flats is a railway specified in the Schedule to "The Railways Authorisation Act, 1899," and which Act is, in the fourth section thereof, declared to be a special Act authorising the construction of such extension; and such extension is unfinished, and it has been determined to construct and maintain a further portion of the same:

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 conferred on me by the aforesaid section four of "The Railways Authorisation Act, 1899," and by sections one hundred and sixty-six and one hundred and sixty-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and in exercise of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the middle line of the said further portion of the said railway shall be as defined and set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

COMMENCING at a point in railway reserve in Section No. 185, Parish of Makarau, distant about 4 chains in an easterly direction from the prolongation for about 22 chains in a northerly direction of the line forming the easternmost boundary of Section 175 in aforesaid parish, which point is also the termination of the Tahekeroa Section of the Helensville Northwards Railway, as described in a Proclamation dated the 27th October, 1898, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 79, of the 3rd November, 1898; proceeding thence generally in a northerly direction for a distance of about 6 miles 23 chains, and passing in, into, through, or over the following lands—namely, railway reserve between Sections 185, 50, 188, and 134; Section 48; western portion of Section 47 and south-western portion of Section 46, Puhoi Parish, Block I., Waiwera Survey District, and Block XIII., Mahurangi Survey District; eastern portion of Section 23, north-eastern portion of Section 27, Section 32, southern portion of Section 33, western portion of Section 30, and railway reserve, Ahuroa Parish, Block XIII., Mahurangi Survey District; and railway reserve in Ahuroa Parish, Block IX., Mahurangi Survey District—and terminating at

a point in the last-mentioned railway reserve distant about 15 chains in a northerly direction from the south-western corner of Section 74 in the said Parish of Ahuroa: all in the Land District of Auckland: including all adjoining and intervening places, lands, reserves, roads, rivers, streams, and watercourses: as shown by a red line on the plan marked P.W.D. 18627, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington.

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 sixteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

South Australia declared to be infected with Bubonic Plague.

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

IN pursuance of section ninety-two of "The Public Health Act, 1876," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and notify that the Colony of South Australia is infected with a disease called or known as bubonic plague, being an infectious or contagious disease highly dangerous to the health of the people.

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 seventeenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

J. G. WARD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Setting apart Land in Marlborough for Leasing as Small Grazing-runs under "The Land Act, 1892."

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

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the one-hundred-and-seventy-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall be subject to the provisions of sections one hundred and seventy-two to one hundred and eighty-six of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," relating to small grazing-runs.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

S.G. Run No.	Survey District.	Area.
		Acres.
102	Kaitarau	10,324
103	"	3,215
104	"	3,932
105	"	6,838
106	Kaitarau and Puhipuhi .. .	5,837

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighth day of January, 1900.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING 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 ninth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, 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 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 KAIKOURA COUNTY COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Kaikoura Domain Board (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 Saturday in each month, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., at the Courthouse, Kaikoura, 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 Saturday, the seventeenth day of February, 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 Chairman of the Kaikoura County Council shall be the Chairman of the Board. He may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

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. 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 piece or parcel of land in the Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 29 acres, more or less, being Section No. 2 of 267 of Kaikoura Suburban. Bounded towards the north and north-west by a public road, 1237, 240, 1380, and 535 links; towards the east by Section No. 1 of 267 in the said district; and towards the south and south-west by a public road, 2346 and 1081 links.

Also, all that parcel of land in the Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres 2 roods 37 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 346 and 349, Block X., Mount Fyffe Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by a public road fronting Section No. 286; towards the north generally by a public road, and Section No. 256, and the road fronting Section No. 203; towards the north-east by a public road; and towards the south by a road running along the sea-shore.

Also, all that parcel of land in the Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 3 roods 21 perches, more or less, being Section No. 2, Block X., Mount Fyffe Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 341, 505-9 links; towards the east by a public road, 351-6 links; towards the south by Section No. 340, 500 links; and towards the west by a public road, 406-4 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, Blenheim.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eighth day of January, 1900.

Present:

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

BY virtue of the powers and authorities vested in me by the twenty-fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby order and declare that the reserve in the Marlborough Land District 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 Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 3 roods 21 perches, more or less, being Section No. 2, Block X., Mount Fyffe Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 341, 505.9 links; towards the east by a public road, 351.6 links; towards the south by Section No. 340, 500 links; and towards the west by a public road, 406.4 links; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Blenheim.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

"The Education Act, 1877."—Payments to Education Boards.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this tenth day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Education Act, 1877," His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the colony, doth hereby make the regulation hereto annexed regarding certain payments of capitation allowance to Education Boards; and, with the like advice and consent, doth hereby prescribe that this Order shall come into force on the date of the first publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

REGULATION.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in an Order in Council made on the 5th day of January, 1888, under the provisions of "The Education Act, 1877," relating (*inter alia*) to attendance registers and returns, the payment of capitation allowance to Education Boards for the quarter ending on the 31st day of March, 1900, shall be according to the working-average attendance of the quarter ending on the 31st day of December, 1899, as working average was defined by Order in Council dated the 5th day of July, 1887, and made under the provisions of the before-mentioned Act.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Powers delegated to the Winton Town Belt Domain Board under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

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 fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, 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 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 WINTON BOROUGH COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Winton Town Belt Domain Board (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 Monday in each month, at three o'clock p.m., at the Borough Council Office, Winton, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Monday, the nineteenth day of February, 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 Mayor shall be the Chairman of the Board. He may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

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. 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 Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1 and 32, Block XI., Winton Township.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1 and 27, Block XII., Winton Township.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1 and 23, Block XVI., Winton Township.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1 and 24, Block XVII., Winton Township.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1 and 24, Block XVIII., Winton Township.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

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-fourth day of April, 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 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 WINTON BOROUGH COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Winton Domain Board (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 Monday in each month, at three o'clock p.m., at the Borough Council Office, Winton, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Monday, the nineteenth day of February, 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 Mayor shall be the Chairman of the Board. He may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

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. 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 those parcels of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 11 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28, Block IX., and Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29, Block X., Winton Township.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

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-third day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, 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 MANAIA TOWN BOARD,

which shall be known as the Waimate Domain Board (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 Wednesday in each month, at half-past seven o'clock p.m., at the Town Board Office in the Drill Hall, Mania, 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 seventh day of February, 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 Chairman of the Town Board shall be the Chairman of the Board, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote; he 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. 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 13 acres 3 roods 2 perches, more or less, being Section No. 78, Block VI., Waimate Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Sections Nos. 76 and 77, 1450 links; towards the east by a road, 949.3 links; towards the south by Section No. 79, 1450 links; and towards the west by Section No. 43, 949.3 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Additional Regulation under "The Urewera District Native Reserve Act, 1896."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twenty-fourth section of "The Urewera District Native Reserve Act, 1896" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make such regulations as he thinks necessary for, *inter alia*, giving effect to anything which by the Act is expressed to be prescribed, and for any other purpose for which regulations are contemplated by the Act, or which he deems necessary in order to give full effect to the Act:

And whereas it is expedient to make the regulation set out in the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the consent and advice of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make and prescribe the additional regulation contained in the Schedule hereto, and doth hereby declare that such additional regulation shall come into force on the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

ADDITIONAL REGULATION UNDER "THE UREWERA DISTRICT NATIVE RESERVE ACT, 1896."

IN any case where, on the investigation of the ownership of any land by the Commissioners under the provisions of "The Urewera District Native Reserves Act, 1896," it is found that any of the Native Commissioners present at the meeting are interested, every Native Commissioner so found to be interested shall abstain from voting, and should all the Native Commissioners present as aforesaid be so found to be interested, the ownership shall be decided by the votes of the European Commissioners alone, and in any such case the limitation as to quorum shall not apply.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting Land in the School Commissioners of the Wellington Provincial District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by paragraph twenty-eight of the First Schedule to "The Special Powers and Contracts Act, 1886," it is enacted that the Governor may make arrangements with the owners of lands adjoining the reserve therein referred to (being Sections No. 220 to 227, both inclusive, of the Pahaoa Block, Mount Adams Survey District) for an exchange of lands for the purposes in the said Act mentioned, and, on receiving from the said owners respectively a surrender to Her Majesty of the lands to be received as equality of exchange, may grant to the said owners respectively so much of the said reserve as is required to carry out the said arrangements, and thereafter shall by Order in Council declare the lands so received in exchange vested in the School Commissioners of the Wellington Education District as part of such reserve, to be held by them for the purposes for which the reserve was vested in them:

And whereas the parcels of land described in the Schedule hereto have been surrendered to Her Majesty by the owners thereof in accordance with the provisions aforesaid, and it is expedient that the same should be vested in the said Commissioners as part of the said reserve:

And whereas certain parts of the reserve have been granted to the aforesaid owners, who have surrendered the land described in the Schedule by certificate of title, Volume Twenty-three, folio one hundred and thirty-seven:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the aforesaid Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto is vested in the School Commissioners of the Wellington Provincial District as part of the aforesaid reserve, and shall be held by them for the same purposes for which the reserve was vested in them.

SCHEDULE.

ALL those parcels of land delineated on the plan deposited with the District Land Registrar, numbered 458, and being lots numbered as follows: Lot I., containing 332 acres 1 rood, being part of Section 216, Pahaoa Block; Lots II. and III., containing 5 acres, being part of Section 216, Pahaoa Block; Lot IV., containing 4 acres 3 roods, being part of Section 214, Pahaoa Block; Lot V., containing 37 acres, being part of Section 230, Pahaoa Block: total, 379 acres. Situated in Block XV., Wainuioru Survey District, and Block III., Mount Cerberus Survey District.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Winton Recreation grounds brought under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

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 reserves made for public recreation in the Southland Land District, and described in the Schedule hereto, shall be and the same are 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 those parcels of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres, more or less, being Sections Nos. 2 to 5, 7 to 12, 17 to 22, and 24 to 27, Block IX.; Sections Nos. 2 to 5, and 25 to 28, Block X., of the Town of Winton: as the same are delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Custodians of the Securities of the Public Trust Office appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section two of "The Public Securities Act, 1895" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), it is enacted that, with respect to such of the securities of the Public Trust Office as for the time being are held in the colony, the custodians shall be the Controller and Auditor-General, or an Audit officer deputed by him in that behalf, and such two other persons as from time to time are appointed in that behalf by the Governor in Council: And whereas by an Order in Council made the fourteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, such two other persons were appointed accordingly: And whereas it is expedient to revoke such appointment, and to substitute another appointment in lieu thereof:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said second section of the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities in anywise enabling him in that behalf, doth hereby revoke the said Order in Council of the fourteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and doth, with the like advice and consent, by this present Order appoint the Public Trustee for the time being and the person for the time being acting as Accountant in the Public Trust Office as and to be the two other custodians of the securities of the Public Trust Office which for the time being are held in the colony.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Land near Ngapara, in the Provincial District of Otago, not required for Railway Purposes, authorised to be sold.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section twenty-nine of "The Public Works Act, 1894," it is enacted that if it is found that any land held, taken, purchased, or acquired at any time under that Act or any other Act or Provincial Ordinance, or otherwise however, for any public work is not required for such public work, the Governor may, by an Order in Council publicly notified and gazetted, cause the same to be sold under the conditions therein set forth: And whereas the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto has been purchased for the purposes of the Ngapara Branch of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway, and a certificate of title for the same, including other lands, has been issued to Her Majesty the Queen, and is recorded in Volume Fifty-seven, folio one hundred and fifteen, of the Lands Register, Dunedin: And whereas the said parcel of land is not now required for the purposes of the said Ngapara Branch Railway, and the Minister for Public Works has recommended that this Order in Council should be issued authorising such parcel of land to be sold:

Now, therefore, 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, and in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities aforesaid, do hereby order and authorise the land described in the Schedule hereto to be dealt with and sold in the manner and subject to the conditions of the twenty-ninth and following sections of the above-in-part-recited Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of railway land containing by admeasurement 1 rood 6 perches, more or less, being portion of original Section No. 43, Block VI., Awamoko Survey District, in the Land District of Otago, and bounded as follows: Commencing at a point on the southern boundary of said Section 43, and distant 2105.3 links in a westerly direction from the south-eastern corner thereof; proceeding thence on a bearing of 270° 1' 30" for a distance of 352 links; thence on a bearing of 328° 17' for a distance of 84 links; thence on a bearing of 85° 15' for a distance of 168 links; thence on a

bearing of 101° 40' for a distance of 113 links; thence on a bearing of 118° 5' for a distance of 135 links, to the commencing-point: be the above-mentioned distances and bearings either more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 18772, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Revoking the Delegation of Powers under "The Cemeteries Act, 1885," to the Southland County Council in respect of the West Gore Cemetery.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council, issued on the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, the powers conferred upon the Governor by section six of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," as to the appointment and removal of trustees, were delegated to the Council of the County of Southland in respect to the cemeteries described in the Schedule to the said Order in Council:

And whereas it is expedient to revoke the said delegation as far as it affects the cemetery described in the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, His Excellency Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke the delegation to the Council of the County of Southland in respect to the cemetery described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, being Sections Nos. 57 and 58, Block XVI., Township of West Gore, containing by admeasurement 4 acres 3 roods 6 perches and 3 acres 3 roods 38 perches respectively, more or less, as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the Selwyn County Council.

RANFURLY, Governor.

By his Deputy,

ROBERT STOUT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of October, 1899.

Present:

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto has been permanently set apart for plantation purposes:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to vest the said land in the Selwyn County Council:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," doth hereby declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the reserve mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in "The Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the Selwyn County," in trust, for plantation purposes.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 87 acres 2 roods 24 perches, more or less, being Rural Section No. 1325 and parts of Rural Sections Nos. 1409 and 2063, situated in Block XV., Christchurch Survey District, and Block III., Halswell Survey District, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. clxxxiii., folio 243, in the District Land Registry Office, Christchurch.

J. F. ANDREWS,
Acting-Clerk of the Executive Council.

Postmaster appointed to take and receive Statutory Declarations.

PURSUANT to the authority conferred upon me by the eighth section of "The Justices of the Peace Act Amendment Act, 1888," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify and declare that

HERBERT HAROLD ALLISON,

being a person holding the office of Postmaster under "The Post Office Act, 1881," at Loburn, is authorised to take and receive statutory declarations under the two-hundred-and-thirty-fourth section of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

As witness my hand, this eleventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred.

RANFURLY,
Governor.

Notifying Land in Otago for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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 ninth day of March, 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.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—TOWN OF DUNKELD.
Suburban Lands.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
Block II.					
9	0 1 15	1 5 0	12	0 1 8	1 5 0
10	0 1 8	1 5 0	13	0 1 8	1 5 0
11	0 1 13	1 5 0			
Block VIII.					
2	0 3 27	1 15 0	5	1 0 0	2 0 0
3	1 0 1	2 0 3	6	0 3 8	1 15 0
4	1 0 0	2 0 0			
Block XXIII.					
3	1 0 0	2 0 0	4	1 0 0	2 0 0
Block XXIV.					
1	0 1 0	0 15 0	6	0 0 23	0 15 0
2	0 1 0	0 15 0	7	0 0 29	0 15 0
3	0 1 0	0 15 0	8	0 0 29	0 15 0
4	0 1 0	0 15 0			
Block XXXV.					
4	1 0 0	2 0 0	6	1 0 0	2 0 0
5	1 0 0	2 0 0	7	1 0 0	2 0 0
Block XL.					
1	1 0 0	2 0 0	5	1 0 0	2 0 0
2	1 0 0	2 0 0	6	1 0 0	2 0 0
3	1 0 0	2 0 0	7	1 0 2	2 0 6
4	1 0 0	2 0 0	8	1 0 2	2 0 6

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Southland for Sale by Public Auction.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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. R. P.	£ s. d.
6	XVIII.	1 0 0	20 0 0
7	"	1 0 0	20 0 0
8	"	1 0 0	20 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 thirteenth day of January, one thousand
nine hundred.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Application to proclaim the Wharekawa River, together with all its Tributaries, Watercourses for the Deposit of Tailings, &c.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers vested in him by section one hundred and nine of "The Mining Act, 1893," His Excellency the Governor hereby notifies that application has been made to him to constitute and set apart by Proclamation the watercourse, the name, locality, and description whereof are set forth in the Schedule hereto, to be a watercourse into which may be discharged any tailings, debris, and waste water produced by or resulting from mining operations carried on under the said Act.

Any person who objects to such Proclamation being made, or whose land, or riparian or other rights in respect of such land, will be damaged or injuriously affected by the operation thereof, is required to serve on the Minister of Mines, within the period of ninety days after the publication hereof in the *Gazette*, full particulars of such objection, and also a claim in the prescribed form setting forth full particulars of all compensation that will be claimed by him in the event of such Proclamation being made.

No person will be entitled to any compensation for damage or injury consequent on the operation of such Proclamation unless his claim is duly served in the manner and within the period aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

THAT river in Tairua Survey District, Thames County, known as Wharekawa River, which flows north-easterly from its source for a distance of about eight miles to the sea.

Dated at Wellington, this sixteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister of Mines.

Trustees for Gore Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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 have the control and management of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Local Authority.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
The Gore Borough Council	GORE. All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 3 roods 8 perches, more or less, being Section No. 47A, Block XVI., Town of Gore. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 46; towards the east by a public road and Section No. 47; towards the south by Section No. 48; and towards the west by Section No. 40.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor,
this sixteenth day of January, one thousand
nine hundred.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Trustee for the Palmerston North Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

JOHN GEORGE RUSH

to be a Trustee, in the place of the Rev. James Francis Patterson, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Palmerston North Cemetery, in conjunction with the other Trustees previously appointed.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor,
this thirteenth day of January, one thousand
nine hundred.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Appointing Commissioners to classify Rural Lands in the Auckland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the one-hundred-and-eighty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

GERHARD MUELLER,
WILLIAM KENSINGTON, and
DAVID LUNDON

Commissioners to classify and report to me upon the rural lands in the Auckland Land District known as Mo Tuotata and Tirohanga Blocks, as provided by section 189 of "The Land Act, 1892," as aforesaid.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor,
this fifteenth day of January, one thousand nine
hundred.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Inspector of Weights and Measures, Borough of Nelson and Counties of Waimea and Collingwood.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 9th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable CHARLES EDWARD ALDRIDGE

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM BRUCE SMITH

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

J. G. WARD,
Colonial Secretary.

Arrangements for First Elections, &c., Maungatua Land-drainage District.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN GRANT,

of Outram, to be Returning Officer for the purpose of conducting the first election of five members of the Maungatua Land-drainage District, as constituted under "The Land-drainage Act, 1893," *vice* John Stevenson.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Gaolers appointed.

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),
Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the persons hereafter named to be Gaolers of the Prisons respectively stated after their names:—

FRANCIS EGERTON SEVERNE, Auckland, *vice* G. S. Reston, services dispensed with.

MICHAEL FLANNERY, Napier, *vice* F. E. Severne, transferred.

THOMAS ROSSON POINTON, Hokitika, *vice* M. Flannery, transferred.

T. THOMPSON.

Member of Wellington Land Board reappointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 13th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to reappoint

JOHN STEVENS

to be a member of the Land Board of the Land District of Wellington, as from the 1st February, 1900.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Appointment in Department of Lands and Survey.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 13th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ROBERT WILLIAM WATSON

to be an Assistant Surveyor in the Department of Lands and Survey, as from the 1st January, 1900.

JOHN MCKENZIE.

Trustees appointed for the Tapanui Agricultural and Pastoral Showground.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 13th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of section 6 of "The Tapanui Agricultural and Pastoral Exhibition Reserve Act, 1877," has been pleased to appoint

JOHN ROBERT MACKENZIE, of Glenkenich, Farmer;
GEORGE HEPBURN STEWART, of Tapanui, Farmer;
GEORGE MILNES, of Waikoikoi, Farmer;
JAMES EDGAR, of Tapanui, Farmer; and
JOHN BAIRD McALISTER, of Tapanui, Builder,

as "The Tapanui Agricultural Reserve Trust," in the place of John Francis Herbert, resigned, and John Fry Kitching, David McKellar, James Rodgers, and Francis William Mackenzie, deceased.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Conservators of State Forests in Albury Settlement, Canterbury, appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of section 12 of "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," has been pleased to appoint

ANDREW THOMPSON,
ISAAC CURTIS,
JOHN McVEY,
JAMES REESE HART, and
ALEXANDER SEARLE SMITH

to be Conservators of the State Forest Reserves in the

Albury Settlement, Tengawai Survey District, Canterbury Land District, and known as Reserves 3244 and 3245.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Veterinary Surgeons, &c., appointed.—Notice No. 583.

Department of Agriculture (Live-stock Branch),
Wellington, 16th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

DONALD HENRY RAIT, M.R.C.V.S.,

to be a Veterinary Surgeon to the Government of New Zealand, in terms of "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," an Inspector of Stock, in terms of "The Stock Act, 1893," and a Special Inspector, in terms of "The Stock Act Amendment Act, 1898." To date from the 21st day of December, 1899.

JOHN FRASER McEACHRAN, M.R.C.V.S.,

PETER MAXWELL EDGAR, M.R.C.V.S.,

to be Veterinary Surgeons to the Government of New Zealand, in terms of "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," Inspectors of Stock, in terms of "The Stock Act, 1893," and Special Inspectors, in terms of "The Stock Act Amendment Act, 1898." To date from the 1st day of January, 1900.

ALEXANDER REID YOUNG, M.R.C.V.S.,

to be a Veterinary Surgeon to the Government of New Zealand, in terms of "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," and an Inspector of Stock, in terms of "The Stock Act, 1893." To date from the 1st day of January, 1900.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister for Agriculture.

Dairy Instructor, &c., appointed.—Notice No. 584.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 17th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN JOHNSTON

to be a Dairy Instructor (temporary appointment only) in terms of "The Civil Service Reform Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1887," and to be an Inspector and Grader in terms of "The Dairy Industry Act, 1893"; to date from the 1st January, 1900.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister for Agriculture.

Inspector of Machinery appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance of the power and authority vested by "The Inspection of Machinery Act, 1882,"

ALEXANDER WILLIAM BETHUNE

has been appointed an Inspector of Machinery for the Auckland, Taranaki, Wellington, Hawke's Bay, Marlborough, Nelson North, Nelson South, Canterbury, Otago, and Westland Districts.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Engineer-Surveyor and Examiner of Engineers appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance of the power and authority vested by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877,"

ALEXANDER WILLIAM BETHUNE

has been appointed an Inspector and Surveyor and an Engineer-Surveyor for the purposes of the said Act, and also an examiner of candidates for certificates of competency as engineers of sea-going steamships or of steamships plying within restricted limits.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Member of Lyttelton Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 16th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance of the provisions of section 40 of "The Harbours Act, 1878," appointed

GEORGE LAURENSEN, M.H.R.,

to be a member of the Lyttelton Harbour Board, in place of John Joyce, deceased.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 12th January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by
JACOB THEODORE SKOGLUND, Esq.,
of Greymouth, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace for the colony.

T. THOMPSON.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th January, 1900.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Eliza Derrett ..	Domestic duties	Hororata.
Francis Vincent De Rosa ..	Gardener ..	Lower Hutt.
Peter Johnson ..	Master mariner ..	Lyttelton.
Carl Friedrich Lischner ..	Coal-merchant ..	Waipahi.
Ernest Petter Müller ..	Painter ..	Auckland.
Jacob Pyy ..	Labourer ..	Dannevirke.

J. G. WARD.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th January, 1900.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Peter Housten ..	Miner ..	Blackball.
Niels Jorgen Nielsen ..	Labourer ..	Black Head, Waipawa.
Ralph Ninky ..	Labourer ..	Auckland.
Olaf Petersen ..	Labourer ..	Okain's Bay.
Antonio Piero ..	Fisherman ..	Portobello.
Albert Satman ..	Seaman ..	Auckland.
Maren Sorrensen ..	Domestic Duties	Wellington.
Peter Stranberg ..	Master Mariner ..	Auckland.

J. G. WARD.

Special Order made by the Manganui Road Board, County of Stratford.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th January, 1900.

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

J. G. WARD.

MANGANUI ROAD BOARD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following special order was made on Monday, 11th December, 1899, and confirmed on Tuesday, 9th January, 1900:—

"That, to secure the repayment of a loan of £300 raised under 'The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,' for the purpose of felling, stumping, forming, and bridging two streams on the Makuri Road, from the western boundary of Section 24, Block XV., Huiroa, to the end of the present formation on Makuri Road West; to pay out of such loan the cost of raising it; to strike as security on this loan a special rate of 1d. in the pound over the following sections—10, 11, 12, 13, 15, Block XI.; 23, 24, Block XV., Huiroa Survey District. Such rate to be an annually recurring rate for twenty-six years, and shall be payable in two half-yearly instalments on the 1st of January and the 1st of July in each year if required."

I hereby certify that the above special order was duly made in accordance with "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

HENRY WATSON,
Clerk.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Manawatu County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th January, 1900.

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

J. G. WARD.

MANAWATU COUNTY COUNCIL.

THE following is the result of a poll of ratepayers, taken on the 5th January, 1900, on a proposal to raise a loan of £1,870, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and amendments, for the purpose of forming, trimming, and metalling on the Feilding-Halcombe Road, Stewart's and Lee's Line:—

Total number of votes recorded, 71: Total number of votes in favour of proposal, 70; total number of votes against the proposal, 1.

The number of valid votes recorded in favour of the proposal being more than three-fifths of the total number of valid votes recorded, I hereby declare such proposal to be carried.

Sanson, 6th January, 1900.
JAMES G. WILSON,
Chairman.

Regulation for ascertaining Tonnage of Ships, under Section 3 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act Amendment Act, 1899."

WHEREAS it is enacted by subsection (5) of section 3 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act Amendment Act, 1899," that the Minister may from time to time make such regulations as he thinks fit for, amongst other things, defining the manner in which the tonnage of ships shall be ascertained for the purposes of the said section: And whereas it is desirable to make the following regulation:

Now, therefore, I, William Hall-Jones, the Minister having Charge of the Marine Department, do hereby make the following regulation, defining the manner in which the tonnage of ships shall be ascertained for the purposes of the said section.

REGULATION.

The tonnage of ships for the purposes of section 3 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act Amendment Act, 1899," shall be ascertained in the following manner: viz., Measure the length and breadth outside from the inside of the stem to the outside of the sternpost, and the depth inside. Multiply them together and by 0.6, and divide the product by 100. The quotient obtained, added to the product of the measurement of the break, poop, or other closed-in space on the deck, if any, shall be deemed to be the gross tonnage of the ship. From the gross tonnage deduct 25 per cent. thereof for engine-space, and the result shall be deemed to be the register tonnage of the ship.

If there be a break, a poop, or other closed-in space, multiply the mean length, breadth, and depth, and divide the product by 100, and add the quotient obtained to the gross register tonnage.

For ships with raking stem and stern the length shall be taken from the after side of the sternpost on a line with the rabbet of the keel to a plumb line from the fore part of the stem on a line with the gunwale or deck.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of January, 1900.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Civil Service Senior Examination.

Education Department,
Wellington, 20th July, 1899.

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

W. C. WALKER,
Minister of Education.

Examination of Land Surveyors.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

IN accordance with the Regulations for the Examination of Surveyors under "The Land Act, 1892," as published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 5th March, 1896, it is hereby notified that the next examination thereunder will be held on 6th March next.

T. M. GRANT,
Secretary to the Board of Examiners.

Regulations for Admission to Forest Service Branch of the Royal Indian Engineering College.

Education Department,
Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

THE following regulations for the Forest Service Branch of the Royal Indian Engineering College are published for general information.

W. C. WALKER,
Minister of Education.

REGULATIONS FOR THE FOREST SERVICE BRANCH OF THE ROYAL INDIAN ENGINEERING COLLEGE, COOPER'S HILL, FOR 1900.

[The arrangements hereinafter described are subject to revision under the orders of the Secretary of State for India.]

1. The Royal Indian Engineering College is primarily maintained, under the orders of the Secretary of State for India in Council, for the education of candidates for the service of Government in the India Public Works, Telegraph, and Forest Departments; but it is open, to the extent of the accommodation available, to all persons desirous of following the course of study pursued in it.

INDIA FOREST DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS.

2. The examination, which will be conducted by the Civil Service Commissioners, will be simultaneous with, and (except that German must be taken as an obligatory subject) in the same subjects and papers as, the examination for the Indian Police Department,* which is usually held in June.

Candidates may undergo the written part of their examination in London, Edinburgh, or Dublin, or at any of the provincial centres at which the simultaneous examination of candidates for admission to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, is to be held. A list of the probable centres may be obtained from the Civil Service Commissioners at any time after March, 1899. The oral and practical parts of the examination will be held in London only.

A fee of £2 is required from candidates examined in London, but when the written examination is conducted elsewhere than in London the fee is £3. Candidates examined at a college or school will probably be required to pay a local fee in addition to the fee of £3 (in order to defray the expenses of superintendence), as to which they should obtain early information from the college or school authorities. The fee payable to the Civil Service Commissioners must be paid by means of stamps of the specified amount. Instructions on this point will be issued to candidates about ten days before the examination.

3. The number of candidates to be selected annually varies according to the requirements of the Forest Service in India; the figures as regards each particular year will be advertised from time to time. In 1900 there will be seven appointments offered for competition.

4. Candidates for the Indian Forest Department are selected under the following arrangements:—

- (1.) An applicant must be a natural-born British subject, and must be above seventeen and under twenty years of age on the 1st June of the year in which he competes for an appointment. He must be unmarried, and if he marries before reaching India he will forfeit his appointment.
- (2.) An applicant must send† to the Revenue Department of the India Office, on or before the 1st day of May of the year in which he proposes to compete,—
 - (a.) His name and parentage, a certificate or other satisfactory evidence of the date of his birth, and the written consent of parent or guardian that his name should be recorded as a candidate.
 - (b.) A statement of the places of education at which he may have been, accompanied by testimonials of good conduct, during the last four years.
- (3.) Applicants will have to appear before a Medical Board‡ at the India Office, particular stress being

* Candidates may, if qualified, enter for both the Police and the Forest Department. They will, in such case, have to pay the fee due in respect of each examination.

† There is no form of application; the documents specified in paragraph 4, (2), clauses (a) and (b), should be enclosed in a covering letter addressed to the Secretary, Revenue Department, India Office, London.

‡ With a view to prevent parents and guardians from incurring the inconvenience and expense of preparing candidates who may be physically unfit for the Forest Service, it is suggested that, before any such preparation is begun, candidates be submitted to examination by the medical adviser of the family, or any other qualified medical practitioner, with regard to the following points: (1) A weak constitution, (2) defective vision, (3) impaired hearing, (4) the existence of any congenital defect, (5) the condition of teeth.

It is to be understood that this private examination is merely suggested to lessen the chances of disappointment, and that it is by no means intended to take the place of, or to influence in any way, the official examination, which is obligatory on all candidates.

On the subject of the standard of eyesight required for the Indian services, a pamphlet can be obtained on application to the Secretary, Revenue and Statistics Department, India Office.

laid upon good vision and hearing. A physical test will also be imposed, so as to insure the selection of persons of active habits and powers of endurance.

- (4.) Applicants who have passed the medical examination and the physical test will be permitted to undergo an examination before the Civil Service Commissioners in the following subjects* (Classes I. and II.), marks being assigned as follows:—

Class I.†	Marks.
Mathematics I. (including arithmetic) ..	3,000
German‡ (300 for colloquial) ..	2,000
Botany ..	2,000
English composition ..	1,000
Geometrical drawing ..	500
Freehand drawing ..	500
Geography ..	500

Class II.	
Mathematics II. ..	2,000
Latin ..	2,000
French ..	2,000
Greek ..	2,000
English history ..	2,000
Chemistry and heat ..	2,000
Physics ..	2,000
Physiography and geology ..	2,000

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

- (5.) The Secretary of State will nominate as probationers such competitors as attain the highest aggregate of marks (provided they obtain the aggregate referred to above, and satisfy the requisite conditions in other respects). These probationers will then enter the College, where they will be further trained for the Forest Service of India.
- (6.) If the full number of competent probationers required in any year cannot be obtained from the persons so examined, the Secretary of State reserves a discretion to fill up the deficiency by selecting any other person or persons whom, after consulting the authorities of the College, he may consider properly qualified to become probationers for the Forest Service.

5. The course of study for candidates for the India Forest Service extends over about three years. For about seven terms the candidates will prosecute their studies mainly at the College, and during the period of foreign study, which will occupy the remainder of the course, they will visit, under suitable supervision, such continental forests as may be selected for the purpose. Excursions may also be made for purposes of instruction, both during term-time and during part of the vacations.

6. Each annual session begins in September, and is divided into three terms, with vacations of about four weeks at Christmas, two weeks at Easter, and eight weeks in the summer.

7. A charge of £61 is made for each of the seven terms spent at the College; for the period of foreign study the charge is £150; the amounts must be paid terminally in advance to the Bank of England for the first seven terms, and the amount due for the period of foreign study must be paid before the period begins. Receivable orders, with full directions as to the mode of payment, will be forwarded from the India Office to the parents or guardians shortly before the fees fall due. A student will not be allowed to come into residence or to start for his study of foreign forests until his fee has been paid.

8. A deposit of £5 is required to be paid by each student on admission to the College as caution-money, to cover charges incurred by him for damage to books, instruments, &c., or any College bills outstanding on leaving the College. Any balance over and above such charges will be repaid. This deposit is to be paid with the fee for the first term, making the total payment on that occasion £66.

9. The foregoing payments cover all charges for tuition, board according to the College tariff, lodging, with washing up to a cost of 2s. a week, and ordinary medical attendance while in residence at the College. When students are on tour, and during the course of practical instruction, whether in Great Britain or on the Continent, the Secretary of State

* Reprints of the papers set at previous examinations, together with tables of the marks assigned to the candidates, are published by the Civil Service Commissioners, and can be obtained through any bookseller. It must, however, be borne in mind that the regulations under which these examinations were held differed in some respects from those under which the next examination will be held. The price of each reprint is one shilling.

† All the subjects of Class I. may be taken up. Only two of the subjects of Class II. may be taken up.

‡ Candidates must qualify in German.

will defray the expenses of (1) board, lodging, and washing (the aggregate maximum expenditure under these heads being 10s. per diem), (2) travelling-expenses, and (3) fees to local forest officers, &c.

Students are required to provide their own class-books and drawing-instruments. Drawing-paper, drawing-boards, and surveying-instruments are provided by the College.

10. The prescribed course of study comprises the following subjects:—I. Auxiliary subjects: (1) geometrical drawing, (2) freehand drawing, (3) surveying, (4) forest engineering, (5) accounts, (6) German, (7) mechanics, (8) physics, (9) chemistry, (10) geology and mineralogy, (11) entomology, (12) botany, (13) drill and gymnastics. II. Forestry, theoretical and practical, in all its branches.

11. Every student is required to conform to the College rules, to exhibit due diligence in his studies throughout the course, and to give evidence of satisfactory progress in such manner as may be required, failing which, or in the event of serious misconduct, he will be liable to be removed from the College, or to be sent back from the foreign study, which may entail the loss of his appointment.

12. During the course of study the proficiency of the students will be tested by periodical examinations, and on the termination of their studies there will be a final examination. Each student may also, at the discretion of the Secretary of State for India, be required from time to time to appear before the Medical Board, and should the result be unsatisfactory he cannot claim to be allowed to complete the course.

13. The subjects enumerated in paragraph 10 are grouped in certain main branches of study,* and a fixed minimum of qualification is required in each branch and in the subjects taught during the forest tours, as well as a certain minimum for all branches taken together. Students who obtain these minima will receive the College diploma in forestry.

14. Candidates who have obtained this diploma, and are found to be of sound constitution and free from physical defects which would render them unsuitable for employment in the Forest Department (the final decision on which points will rest with the Secretary of State for India), will be appointed Assistant Conservators in the Forest Department of India in the order of their standing at the end of the final examination. They will be allowed before leaving the College to state their preference in respect to the provinces to which they desire to be allotted; but the distribution will be made to the several provinces according to the needs of the public service, at the discretion of the Secretary of State for India after consulting the President of the College. Officers are, however, at all times liable to be transferred from one province to another at the pleasure of the Government of India.

15. Within a month of his nomination as Assistant Conservator, each nominee must sign articles of agreement describing the terms and conditions of his appointment; he must embark for India when required to do so by the Secretary of State, and will be provided with a free passage. Failure to embark at the stated time will, in the absence of satisfactory explanation, lead to forfeiture of appointment.

16. The pay of an Assistant Conservator of Forests will begin from the date of reporting arrival in India. Probationers who acquit themselves creditably during their course at Cooper's Hill College will begin on a salary of Rs. 350 a month. It will, however, rest with the President of the College to decide whether any of the probationers, though they have obtained the College diploma in forestry, have failed to deserve that rate of initial salary. Such probationers, if any, will begin on a salary of Rs. 250 a month; and this difference of salary will continue until the first departmental examination is passed in India. Officers entering the forest service will be required to contribute a subscription ranging from a compulsory minimum of 5 per cent. up to a voluntary maximum of 10 per cent. of their salary to the Forest Officers' Provident Fund. Such contributions, with compound interest, will accumulate till the date of retirement, when the total sum will be paid to the contributor, or, in the event of death before retirement, to his legal representative.

17. Promotion, leave, and pension will be governed by the regulations laid down by the Government of India and made applicable to Forest officers, such regulations being subject to any modifications or alterations which may be made in them from time to time by the Government of India, and their interpretation in case of any doubt arising being left to that Government. The pension rules applicable to Public Works and Telegraph officers appointed from Cooper's Hill College have been extended to Forest officers appointed from England; and the Inspector-General of Forests and Conservators of the first grade are now eligible for the extra pension of Rs. 1,000 per annum admissible to an officer after at least three years of approved service as a

head of a department in any province, if considered deserving of the special concession. A copy of the regulations relative to these matters can be seen on application either at the Library or the Record Department of the India Office; the principal rules are contained in the Abstract of the Civil Service Regulations, as given in the "India List and India Office List," published by Messrs. Harrison and Sons, 59, Pall Mall, London, which can be procured through any bookseller.

18. Every candidate, before proceeding to India, will be required to furnish to the President of the College satisfactory evidence of his competency in riding.

GENERAL RULES.

19. Chemical, physical, and botanical laboratories, a forestry museum, a forest nursery, a library, and gymnasium are attached to the College. Means are also provided for the practice of photography. Students making use of the laboratories are supplied with the needful apparatus.

20. The responsibility for the discipline and management of the College and for the superintendence of the studies is vested in the President, under the control of the Secretary of State for India.

21. The students are distributed in divisions, under personal charge of one of the professors or instructors selected by the President; such tutor being responsible for exercising the proper degree of personal supervision over each student in his division, and for conducting necessary correspondence with the student's parents or guardians.

22. Each student residing in the College is provided with a separate room, and with fuel and light, also with the necessary attendance. Furniture and bedding are supplied by the College, but students are required to provide their own towels and bed-linen. Meals are taken in hall. Wine and beer are not included in the ordinary fare, but can be obtained from the College cellar at fixed prices.

23. A chapel is attached to the College, which the students residing in the College are expected to attend, unless specially exempted.

24. Every student will be required to go through a course of gymnastics and also of military exercises, including the use of the rifle.

25. Students are required to wear academical dress, under such regulations as may be prescribed from time to time.

STUDENTS NOT NOMINATED FOR THE INDIAN FOREST SERVICE, BUT DESIROUS OF OBTAINING A DIPLOMA IN FORESTRY FROM COOPER'S HILL COLLEGE.

26. Students not nominated for the Indian Forest Service may be received into the College, as far as the available accommodation permits. Such students may pass through the course of instruction prescribed for the nominees of the Indian Forest Service, as detailed above, or they may be permitted to participate in the instruction given in certain subjects only. On obtaining the prescribed minima of marks in the several branches of study and in totals as laid down above, they will receive, as the case may require, either the College diploma in forestry or special certificates showing in what subjects they have followed the instruction, and with what result.

27. Candidates who desire to be admitted under paragraph 26 may submit the necessary application at any time, but not later than the 15th day of June of the year named for admission, except with the special permission of the President. The application must be made on the prescribed forms, which can be obtained from the Secretary of the College.

28. Candidates whose applications are found satisfactory as to character and in other respects will be required to undergo an examination, to be held at the College, about the last week in June of the year for admission. The object of the examination will be to ascertain whether the candidate is qualified to follow the course of instruction with advantage (or certain parts of it, as the case may be). Candidates who do not come up to the required standard will not be admitted to the College.

The President may dispense with the whole or any portion of this examination in the case of a candidate who produces an university diploma or other similar certificate granted by a recognised examining body.

29. Candidates admitted to the College under paragraph 26, who propose to pass through the full prescribed course of study, will be required to pay the same fees in every respect as those paid by the nominees for the India Forest Service. Candidates who do not become resident, and are admitted only to certain subjects of study, will be required to pay the fees which may be fixed in each special case in consideration of the extent of their studies. The candidates of both classes will be required to abide by the general rules of the College.

India Office, September, 1899.

* For details, see Royal Indian Engineering College Calendar.

FOREST EXAMINATION.—SYLLABUS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

English Composition.—Candidates will be tested by précis-writing as well as by an essay. The standard of positive merit will be looked for in logical arrangement of thought, and in accuracy and propriety of expression, but large deductions of marks will be made for faults of writing and spelling.

Candidates are also warned that, for similar faults in the use of the English language, similar deductions will be made from the marks obtained in other subjects.

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

Geography.—Simple questions in descriptive and general geography.

English History.—The general paper in this subject will be confined to events subsequent to the Norman Conquest. It will test whether the candidates are accurately acquainted with the facts of English history, and also possess an intelligent knowledge of the meaning of the facts. The paper on the special period will be confined to distinctly modern history. It will require from the candidates more minute knowledge than the general paper. The special period will be, for 1900: From 1714 to 1784.

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

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

Heat.—The elementary portion of the subject.

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

Physiography—*i.e.*, physical geography.

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

Botany.—The elementary parts of vegetable morphology, histology, and physiology, and the principles of a natural system of classification as illustrated by the more important British natural orders. Candidates will be required to describe plants in technical language.

Questions will not be set on vegetable palæontology or on the geographical distribution of plants.

Disposal of Freehold and Leasehold Lands, British New Guinea.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 9th January, 1900.

THE under-mentioned notice is published at the request of the Government of Queensland.

A copy of "The Land Ordinance of 1899" (British New Guinea), and a map of British New Guinea showing the position of the lands mentioned in the notice, may be seen at the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, Government Buildings, Wellington, New Zealand.

A. BARRON,
Under-Secretary of Lands.

NOTICE.—BRITISH NEW GUINEA LANDS.

THE Government of British New Guinea are prepared to receive applications for lands under "The Land Ordinance of 1899" for freehold or leasehold lands situated in the following districts:—

No.	Situation of Land.	Area of Available Blocks.	
<i>Central District—South Coast.</i>			
		Acres.	
1	Cloudy Bay ..	4,500	Agricultural and pasturage.
2	" ..	3,800	Ditto.
3	Cape Rodney ..	2,700	Pasturage.
4	Velerupu River ..	3,200	Agricultural and pasturage.
5	" ..	2,400	Ditto.
6	Waipara River (Hood's Lagoon)	1,280	"
7	Kemp Welch River	2,600	Pasturage, and suitable for cocoanuts.
<i>Central District (near Port Moresby).</i>			
8	South of Laloki River	28,500	Agricultural and pasturage.
9	Brown and Laloki Rivers	326,000	Ditto.
10	Vanapa River ..	3,600	Agricultural.
11	Galley Reach ..	6,000	Agricultural and pasturage.
12	Cape Suckling(Nara)	5,000	Agricultural.
<i>Western District.</i>			
13	Oriomo River ..	21,200	Agricultural and pasturage.

(Except an area of 5,000 acres already applied for.)

Freehold grants limited to 50,000 acres to any one grantee until after 30th April, 1900.

Price.

Subject to arrangement with the Government, but not to be less than—

- Two shillings and sixpence (2s. 6d.) per acre for agricultural land, freehold;
- Sixpence (6d.) per acre for pasturage land, freehold;
- Sixpence (6d.) per acre for agricultural land, leasehold;
- One penny (1d.) per acre for pasturage land, leasehold.

Improvement Conditions.

Subject to arrangement with the Government, but not to be less than—

- Two shillings and sixpence (2s. 6d.) per acre, agricultural land, to be effected within five years;
- Two shillings (2s.) per acre, pasturage land, to be effected within five years.

Exclusive of residential buildings.

Applications to be addressed to the "Government Secretary, Port Moresby, British New Guinea."

The lands above specified will be open for sale after the expiration of six months from the date of the third publication of this notice in the *London Gazette*.

The Government is not bound by any priority of application.

The Government will deal only with applicants, or their duly constituted representatives, in the Possession.

Areas not exceeding 5,000 acres, which are not included in any advertised lands, can, if available, be obtained at any time by settlers in the Possession.

The Government will advertise from time to time as blocks of land of over 1,000 acres become available.

Further particulars can be obtained by application to the Agent-General for Queensland, 1, Victoria Street, London, S.W.; or from the Chief Secretary, Brisbane; or the Government Secretary, Port Moresby, British New Guinea.

Commissioner's Decisions under Tariff Acts.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 17th January, 1900.

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

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

Articles, and how classed.	Rate of Duty.
99/1149. Boiler-provers; as engineers' machine tools	Free.
99/1112. Bottles, wickered, used with sparklets for aerated waters; as glassware	20 per cent.
99/1120. Bloodstones; as precious stones, cut or uncut, and unmounted	Free.
99/1169. Braids, mohair, up to 1 in. in breadth; as tailors' trimmings, braids	Free.
99/1169. Braids, mohair, over 1 in. in breadth; as haberdashery n.o.e.	20 per cent.
99/1151. Bromidia; as proprietary medicines	40 per cent.
99/1120. Carnelians, engraved; as precious stones, cut or uncut, and unmounted	Free.
99/1267. “Fibrose” patent blind; as furniture n.o.e.	25 per cent.
*99/1119. Filter-bag sheaths for sugar-refining; as parts of machinery n.o.e.	20 per cent.
99/1118. Fire-extinguishers, “Little Giant”; as Fire-engines, including Merryweather's chemical fire-engines	Free.
99/1273. Gas-bags for preventing escape of gas during repairs; as n.o.e.	Free.
99/1207. Indiarubber faces for washboards; as n.o.e.	Free.
99/1120. Jewel, Mark Master's (masonic); as fancy goods	20 per cent.
99/1012. Locks for cash-boxes; on same footing as locks for portmanteaux	Free.
99/1214. Machine, Clipping, “Cyclone,” for horses or sheep; as machinery for agricultural purposes	5 per cent.
1900/23. Papers, Filter; as druggists' sundries	20 per cent.
99/1271. Potato-peelers; as hardware	20 per cent.
99/1139. Sheets, hemmed; as drapery n.o.e.	20 per cent.
99/1211. “Secotine”; as glue	1½d. the lb.
*99/1150. Spectacle-cases, common and unornamental, such as are usually sold with spectacles; as n.o.e.	Free.
*99/1150. Spectacle-cases other than common and unornamental; as fancy goods	20 per cent.
99/1151. Thialion; as proprietary medicines	40 per cent.
99/1206. Umbrellas, imported in parts, complete, ribs attached to stick, and covering-material cut to shape; as umbrellas (with the exception of the covering-material, which is free under item 349)	20 per cent.
99/1227. Veneer-paper (Real Satin Veneer); as n.o.e.	Free.
99/1177. Washers of leather or other material; as washers	Free.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Commissioner's Order No. 627.]

Result of Road Board Election.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th January, 1900.

THE following notice of the election of a member of a Road Board has been received at this office, and is published in accordance with the provisions of “The Road Boards Act, 1882.”

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Maungatawhiri Road District, County of Manukau:
Alfred Batty.

Member of the House of Representatives elected, Otaki Electoral District.

Clerk of the Writs' Office,
Wellington, 11th January, 1900.

THE Clerk of the Writs has received a return to the writ issued on the 22nd day of December, 1899, for the election of a member to serve in the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of Otaki, and by the indorsement on such writ it appears that

WILLIAM HUGHES FIELD

has been duly elected to serve as a member for the said district.

HUGH POLLEN,
Clerk of the Writs.

Government Observatory.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations, Wellington, for the month of December, 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	29-958	Fah. 65-3	Fah. 58-0	Fah. 61-6	Fah. 108	Fah. 48	..	015	490	5	N.W.
2	29-908	62-0	58-5	60-2	92	46	..	110	530	5	N.W.
3	29-950	65-0	53-0	59-0	100	39	..	023	400	5	N.W.
4	29-910	67-0	59-0	63-0	124	47	..	030	420	5	N.W.
5	30-094	63-5	49-0	56-2	121	41	..	180	420	4	N.E.
6	30-055	68-0	52-0	60-0	128	35	..	..	240	3	N.W.
7	29-811	65-0	54-5	59-7	124	42	..	..	560	4	N.W.
8	29-836	65-0	49-5	57-2	128	42	..	..	310	3	N.W.
9	29-960	67-0	47-0	57-0	130	41	..	..	150	2	N.
10	29-600	67-5	53-0	60-2	126	49	..	280	470	4	N.W.
11	29-584	71-5	59-5	65-5	127	56	..	040	640	5	N.W.
12	29-686	68-0	56-0	62-0	130	49	..	..	550	3	N.W.
13	29-977	68-0	50-0	59-0	122	40	..	..	360	4	N.W.
14	29-646	68-0	55-0	61-5	125	50	..	..	500	5	N.W.
15	29-844	64-0	56-5	60-2	108	51	..	210	530	6	N.W.
16	29-686	63-5	57-0	60-2	113	51	..	060	450	5	N.W.
17	29-600	62-0	48-0	55-0	118	45	..	1-040	270	8	S.E.
18	29-762	55-0	44-0	49-5	85	40	..	1-780	250	4	S.
19	29-819	61-1	47-5	54-3	118	40	..	..	130	4	N.E.
20	29-838	65-0	52-0	58-5	126	42	..	..	190	4	N.W.
21	29-696	67-0	53-0	60-0	130	42	..	..	250	3	N.W.
22	29-869	66-5	48-0	57-2	125	44	..	860	310	6	S.E.
23	29-950	60-7	44-8	52-7	125	37	..	..	150	5	S.
24	29-850	65-0	46-5	55-7	122	40	..	..	110	4	N.W.
25	29-858	67-0	54-0	60-5	127	42	..	..	290	4	S.E.
26	30-058	63-5	45-0	54-2	130	39	..	..	160	4	N.W.
27	29-786	64-5	56-0	60-2	130	48	..	..	350	5	N.W.
28	29-858	67-0	55-0	61-0	125	49	..	..	300	5	N.W.
29	29-786	67-5	60-0	63-7	125	56	..	..	610	6	N.W.
30	30-005	67-0	55-0	61-0	120	46	..	..	230	3	S.
31	30-150	73-0	54-0	63-5	127	46	..	..	230	3	S.
*	29-843	65-5	52-6	59-0	120-6	44-6	..	4-478	352	4-3	..
†	29-845	..	..	60-8	..	..	..	3-807	..	..	..

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

NOTE.—During early part showery, and middle of month heavy showers—1-73 in. recorded on 18th, being the maximum fall—remainder of month generally fine, though not warm for the time of year; thunder on 21st and 26th, slight; fog on 28th and 29th. Maximum temperature in shade 73°, minimum 44°; mean temperature of dew-point, 48°-9; mean humidity, 69. Slight earthquake on 4th, at 7.22 p.m.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 17th January, 1900.

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.

Edward Kapteyn Gobbitt, late of Springbrook, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

James Groat, late of Lyttelton, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, shipwright. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

Timothy Lyons, late of New Brighton, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, settler. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

John Adcock, late of Richmond, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, cabman. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

Annie McHugh, late of Invercargill, in the Provincial District of Otago, settler. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

Robert Templeton, late of Waikaka Valley, in the Provincial District of Otago, labourer. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

James Johnson, late of Charleston, in the Provincial District of Nelson, miner. Filed on the 9th day of January, 1900.

Richard Brooks, late of Pokeno, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on the 11th day of January, 1900.

Mary Nesbitt, late of Gisborne, in the Provincial District of Auckland, spinster. Filed on the 11th day of January, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Notice of Vesting of Land in the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

WHEREAS I, the undersigned, the Public Trustee, have, for the purposes of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894," made due inquiries with respect to the land described in the Schedule hereunder written, and the owner thereof, and have, in respect of the said land, given the notices prescribed by section 4 of the said Act, and have in all respects complied with the provisions of the said section: And whereas I have not thereby ascertained who the owner is, and believe that such owner is not in the colony, nor has such owner established his title to the said land, as required by the said Act: I hereby give notice that the said land is, under and by virtue of the said Act, vested in me, as the Public Trustee as aforesaid, as from the date of the publication hereof, and will be administered under the said Act, the assessed value of the said land being less than £100.

Dated at Wellington, this 11th day of January, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 8 perches, more or less, being Section 168 in the Town of Hokitika, having frontages to Tancred Street of 100 links and to Weld Street of 50 links.

Notice of Vesting of Land in the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

WHEREAS I, the undersigned, the Public Trustee, have, for the purposes of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894," made due inquiries with respect to the land described in the Schedule hereunder written, and the owner thereof, and have, in respect of the said land, given the notices prescribed by section 4 of the said Act, and have in all respects complied with the provisions of the said section: And whereas I have not thereby ascertained who the owner is, and believe that such owner is not in the colony, nor has such owner established his title to the said land, as required by the said Act: I hereby give notice that the said land is, under and by virtue of the said Act, vested in me, as the Public Trustee as aforesaid, as from the date of the publication hereof, and will be administered under the said Act, the assessed value of the said land being less than £100.

Dated at Wellington, this 10th day of January, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1 rood, more or less, being Allotment 23, Block II., on the plan of the Township of Burnside East, Lower Kaikorai District, in the Provincial District of Otago, having a frontage to Owen Street,

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 17 perches, more or less, being Section 39 on the plan of the Town of Cobden, in the Provincial District of Nelson, having a frontage to Robinson Street, Nelson Quay, and Weld Street. The grantee and last registered proprietor is Antonio Domingo, described as of Westport, coffee-stall proprietor. The land is in the occupation of Thomas O'Donnell, of Cobden, hotelkeeper.

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

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

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1899.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 32 $\frac{7}{10}$ perches, more or less, being allotments numbered respectively 74, 104, and 105 on the plan of the Township of West Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, having frontages to Aitken Place and Campbell Street. The last registered owner is James Niven, described as of Port Chalmers, shipwright, who is said to have died about the year 1876. The land is in the occupation of David Nicol, the owner of adjoining land.

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

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

Dated this 12th day of January, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Notice under "The Stock Act, 1893."—No. 582.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF SWINE.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 17th January, 1900.

SWINE-FEVER having been discovered at several places widely apart, owners of pigs are particularly requested to immediately notify the Inspector of Stock for the district of any illness or mortality occurring in their herds. Pigs showing the slightest sign of illness, or which may have been in contact with such pigs, should not be removed until the Inspector has investigated the matter.

The importance of stamping out so virulent a disease cannot be overestimated, more especially in view of the fact that the dairying industry largely depends on the success of bacon-curing. The co-operation of owners is therefore urgently solicited.

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

SECTIONS 25 AND 27 OF "THE STOCK ACT, 1893."

25. EVERY owner of diseased stock, or stock suspected to be diseased, shall, within twenty-four hours from the time when he shall have discovered or suspected such stock to be diseased, give notice thereof to the Inspector of the subdivision in which such stock are running, and shall keep the diseased stock from coming into contact with any other stock. Every person offending against or violating the provisions of this section shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty of not less than £5 and not exceeding £50 for each and every day that he shall neglect or omit to perform the duty hereby imposed upon him.

27. Every person who, by himself, his agent or servant, drives without the permission of an Inspector, or suffers to stray, any diseased or infected stock across or upon any land, or drives, depastures, or suffers to stray any diseased or infected stock upon or along any highway, is liable, for every day during which such stock shall be so driven, depastured, or suffered to stray, to a penalty not exceeding £50 nor less than £2.

Crown Lands Notices.

Lands in Otago Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 12th January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that, the leases of the under-mentioned Crown lands having been declared forfeited by resolutions of the Otago Land Board, the said lands have reverted to the Crown under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

Section.	Block.	District.	Lessee.	Tenure.	Reasons for Forfeiture.
12	XI.	Tautuku	K. Dingwall	L.I.P.	Non-residence.
20	VIII.	Tuapeka West	W. Burn and P. Bone	L.I.P.	Non-execution of lease.
14A	VII.	Woodland	R. Warnock	P.L.	Non-payment of rent.
14	V.	Lauder ..	F. W. Plew	"	Ditto.
5	XI.	Poolburn	R. Love ..	"	"
3	X.	"	T. Flannery	"	"
23	II.	Catlin's ..	M. Monour	"	"
5	IV.	Woodland	J. Lumsden	"	"
20	VII.	Blackstone	R. A. Clarke	"	"
3	X.	"	"	"	"
30	II.	Catlin's ..	G. Ord ..	"	"
5	XII.	Warepa ..	G. Kirk ..	"	"
10	III.	Dart ..	J. Balneaves	O.R.P.	"
52	"	Glenomaru	D. Mason ..	"	"
19	VIII.	Tuapeka West	W. C. Buchan	"	"
3, 24A	..	Maerewhenua Estate	I. Dow ..	L.I.P.	"
55	..	Ditto ..	M. K. Parkes	"	"
20	VI.	Woodland	J. S. McConkey and J. McConkey	"	"
25	..	"	J. A. Orbell	"	"
13	XIII.	Rimu ..	A. Chisholm	"	"
30, 41	VII.	Woodland	J. Taylor ..	"	"
7, 11	XI.	Mt. Hyde	R. Barron	"	"
23	III.	Nenthorn	M. L. Stewart	"	"
16, 17	VIII.	Tautuku	M. Griffith	"	"
12	XIV.	Rimu ..	W. Wilson	"	"
85	X.	Glenomaru	S. Smith ..	"	"
25	I.	Maniototo	J. Law ..	"	"
part of 23	XVI.	"	J. Kealy ..	L.I.P. (V.H.)	"
29, 37	VI.	Maruwenua	"	"	"
41	VII.	(Tokarahi Estate)	S. Goodson	L.I.P.	"
23	XIV.	Lower Wana-naka	J. Templeton	L.I.P. (V.H.)	"
3	XIII.	Rimu ..	J. Galbreath	L.I.P.	"
1	X.	Waihemo	E. Muir ..	S.G.R.	"
18, 21	V.	Table Hill	A. Sutherland	"	"
RunNo. 244A	..	..	J. McAtamney	"	"
244B	..	..	J. Sloan ..	"	"
Section 13	IV.	Nenthorn	M. L. Stewart	"	"
RunNo. 17c	..	..	T. Beck ..	"	"
Section 64	IX.	Maruwenua	R. Pringle..	O.L.	Non-execution of lease.
63	"	"	F. Pringle..	"	Ditto.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Westland Land District.—Auction Sale of Pastoral Runs.

Crown Lands Office,

Hokitika, 16th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the licenses of the pastoral runs set out below will be offered by public auction, at the Land Office, Hokitika, on the 27th day of February next, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the prices and for the terms given, and subject to any rights of renewal or resumption as may be provided by the Land Acts, or other constituted authority, and subject to the necessary declarations being taken.

Maps may be seen at the Land Office, Hokitika, where other full particulars, as to conditions of sale and license, &c., may be ascertained.

Payments to be made on the fall of the hammer, and consist, with regard to the said licenses, of six months' rent in advance and license-fee of £1 ls.

No. of Run.	Area.	Locality.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
3	Acres. 10,500	Hohonu Range ..	£ s. d. 10 10 0	10 years from Mar. 1, 1901.
5	10,000	Upper Taramakau	10 0 0	Ditto.
7	9,000	Taipo Valley	9 0 0	"
11	11,000	Upper Hokitika ..	11 0 0	"
12	3,000	Mikonui Valley ..	3 0 0	"
18	14,500	Karangarua Valley	14 10 0	"
19	17,000	Mahitahi Valley ..	17 0 0	"
25	18,000	Arawata Valley ..	18 0 0	"
27	24,000	Cook Valley ..	24 0 0	"
58	12,500	Wanganui Valley	12 10 0	"
63	15,500	Wataroa Valley ..	15 10 0	"
65	15,000	Moeraki Valley ..	7 10 0	10 years from Mar. 1, 1900.
83	10,000	Alexander Range	10 0 0	10 years from Mar. 1, 1901.
87	7,000	Upper Haast ..	3 10 0	10 years from Mar. 1, 1900.
88	18,000	Upper Wanganui	18 0 0	10 years from Mar. 1, 1901.
115	2,700	Lower Waiho ..	2 14 0	Ditto.

Run No. 3, 10,500 acres, southern face of Hohonu Range: Principally bush-clad hillside; all cattle country, easy of access from Taramakau River bed.

Run No. 5, 10,000 acres, Upper Taramakau Valley: Rough forest, for the most part wild mountain-faces, with narrow fringe of scrubby flats along the river. Access by open river-bed.

Run No. 7, 9,000 acres, Taipo Valley: Shaggy bush sidelings; contain a few open islands on river-bed; also light scrub-covered strip along bank; cattle-feed. Access by open river-bed, and metalled horse-track from Christchurch Road.

Run No. 11, 11,000 acres, in Upper Hokitika Valley: For the most part rough forest-clad spurs and gullies; only suitable for cattle. Access by Whitcombe Valley Road.

Run No. 12, 3,000 acres: Situate in Upper Valley of Mikonui River; narrow strips of light scrub land, with a few tussock islands. Access by metalled horse-track, *via* Totara River.

Run No. 18, 14,500 acres, Lower Karangarua Valley: All cattle-feed; mostly rough hillsides; dense forest, with a few scrub-covered flats. Access by main road and open river-bed.

Run No. 19, 17,000 acres, Mahitahi River: Suitable for cattle; all bush-feed; small portion flat country, the remainder steep sidelings. Access by Main South Road and open river-bed.

Run No. 25, 18,000 acres, Arawata Valley: Mainly cattle-feed; steep hillsides, with narrow bush-clad flats. Access by open river-bed.

Run No. 27, 24,000 acres, in Cook and Fox Valleys: Suitable principally for cattle, but also for a few sheep; comprising wild bush-clad mountain-faces, with lower gentle slopes and patches of tussock land, and open islands in river-bed.

Run No. 58, 12,500 acres, in Lower Wanganui Valley: Wholly cattle-country; low heavily timbered hills and river-flats.

Run No. 63, 15,500 acres, in Lower Wataroa Valley, on north bank: Bush-clad terraces and hillsides; cattle-feed only. Access by Main South Road.

Run No. 65, 15,000 acres, in Moeraki Valley: The whole of the run is thickly timbered, and only fitted for cattle. Access by Main South Road, which runs through centre of the run.

Run No. 83, 10,000 acres: A summer sheep country, on Alexander Range; partly good grass and scanty tussock. Access by leading spurs from Poerua and Taramakau Valleys.

Run No. 87, 7,000 acres: Situate in Upper Haast Valley; all bush-clad; cattle-feed only; wild rugged mountain-faces. Access by Haast Pass metalled horse-track, which passes through centre of run.

Run No. 88, 18,000 acres, in Upper Wanganui Valley: Only suitable for cattle; very rough mountainous country; densely forest-clad. Access by river.

Run No. 115, 2,700 acres, in Lower Waiho River bed, on south bank: Mainly suited for cattle; open flats would graze a few horses, the balance heavily bushed. Access by open river-bed and Main South Road.

W. G. MURRAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Glynn Wye Run, Amuri County, Canterbury Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 16th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1900, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—AMURI COUNTY.

Run No. 233, Glynn Wye Station: 192,000 acres; upset rental, £550 per annum; term, 10 years.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1901.

This run is situated near the western boundary of the Amuri County, and comprises nearly the whole of the watershed of the Boyle River, with its tributaries the Lewis, Doubtful, and Hope Rivers, down to the junction of the Boyle with the Waiau River. It consists of high, mountainous country, with large areas of forest, intersected by narrow but well-grassed valleys, with glades and open spurs running down into them. The elevation varies from 2,000 ft. to 6,500 ft. above sea-level. The purchaser of the license (other than the present holder) must, before being admitted to possession of the run on 1st March, 1901, pay to the Receiver of Land Revenue the amount of the valuation of about twenty-one miles of rabbit-proof fencing. He will also be required to either pay to the Crown during the period of currency of the license an annual sum of £170, payable by half-yearly instalments on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year, for the proper maintenance of the said fencing, or to furnish, prior to the 1st March, 1901, a satisfactory bond and guarantee for such maintenance during his occupancy of the run. A reserve one chain wide is reserved over all public tracks in this run, whether the reserves are shown on the sale-plan or not. The Government also reserves the right to resume, without compensation, at any time during the currency of the license, or to use without resumption, as may be required, an area of 20 acres adjacent to each of the hot springs in the Upper Hope and Lewis Valleys, together with all necessary rights of access thereto.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Southland Land District surrendered.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 11th January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that surrender of the under-mentioned leases or licenses has been accepted by resolutions of the Southland Land Board, and that the said lands have reverted to the Crown.

Lessee.	System.	Lease or License No.	Section.	Block.	District.
Mainland, Alexander	L.I.P.	99	3	III.	Waikawa.
Weir, James	"	259	27-29	II.	"
McColgan, James	"	414	17	VII.	"
"	"	460	22	XI.	"
Mainland, John	"	133	6	V.	"
Ward, A. E.	O.R.P.	43	1	XIV.	Mokoreta.
"	"	105	10	XIV.	"
Muir, John, jun.	P.L.	534	12	VII.	"
Brookes, George	L.I.P.	284	19	VII.	Waikawa.
"	"	505	20	XI.	"
Duncan, J. G.	"	275	35, 37	II.	"
Turner, Charles	"	348	8	XIII.	Mokoreta.
Ward, A., jun.	"	26	2	XIV.	"
Traip, R.	"	86	23	IV.	Waikawa.
Crosbie, James	"	31	4	IV.	"
McEwan, Neil	"	228	23, 30	VI.	Otara.
Brewster, M.	O.R.P.	128	8	III.	"
Davis, William	L.I.P.	152	19	II.	"
McClure, F. C.	"	148	8	VII.	"
Petterson, Carl	"	184	7	VII.	"
Sparke, F. W.	"	332	3A	VII.	"
Templeton, Thomas	"	150	12	II.	"
Jennings, R.	"	159	13	II.	"
Ereoson, A.	"	149	4	VII.	"
Pascoe, S., sen.	"	236	31	VI.	"
King, Francis	"	153	1A	VII.	"
Mathers, H. J.	"	36	2, 3	VII.	Lillburn.
Watson, A., jun.	"	434	12	II.	"
"	O.R.P.	66	13	II.	"
Blatch, T. W.	L.I.P.	37	1	VII.	"
Scott, William	"	21	4	II.	Alton.
McDonald, Charles	"	44	795	..	Hokonui.
McLeod, F. H.	"	165	791	..	"
Story, Robert	"	357	{ 1, 2 1, 2	{ II. III. }	Mararoa.
Glendinning, A.	O.R.P.	17	116	..	Takitimo.
Howard, T. and E.	"	10	12, 13	XVI.	Longwood.
Goldsmith, E.	P.L.	295	24, 25	IV.	Mabel Hundred.
Crosbie, James	"	235	5	IV.	Waikawa.
Fyfe, J. D.	"	265	2	IV.	"
Lamb, Catherine	"	435	8	IV.	"
Templeton, James	"	249	3	VII.	"
Fox, G. J.	"	351	6	XIV.	Mokoreta.
"	"	600	9, 11	XIII.	"
Crosbie, William	"	599	10	XIII.	"
Crosbie, George	"	543	13	IV.	Waikawa.
"	"	167	4	XIII.	Mokoreta.
Duthie, Robert	"	433	9	IV.	Waikawa.
"	"	594	21	IV.	"

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands in Southland Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 11th January, 1900.
IT is hereby notified that the leases or licenses of the under-mentioned lands have been forfeited by resolutions of the Southland Land Board, and that the said lands have reverted to the Crown.

SCHEDULE.

Lessee.	System.	Lease or License No.	Section.	Block.	District.
Haldane, Elizabeth	L.I.P. ..	428	45, 46	I.	Waikawa.
Russell, John Harry	" V.H. ..	442	47	III.	Seaward Bush Township.
Henry, George	O.R.P. ..	511	36, 37	III.	Invercargill Hundred.
Stuart, Margaret L.	P.L., V.H. ..	118	56-59	XXIII.	Flint's Bush Township.
Stuart, Jane Glen	L.I.P., V.H. ..	428	5, 6, 11, 12	III.	Ditto.
Dyer, Frederick James	S.G.R. ..	280	3, 4, 13, 14	IV.	Centre Hill.
Weavers, Elizabeth M.	L.I.P., V.H. ..	38	7	VII.	Invercargill Hundred.
Morra, John	O.R.P. ..	109	1-4, 7-11	XX.	Tuturau.
Robertson, William	L.I.P. ..	130	92, 98	I.	Paterson.
Paddon, Benjamin	" ..	35	137	"	Waikawa.
Holmes, James	" ..	78	5, 8, 9	VI.	Otara.
Graham, John	" ..	164	5	VII.	Invercargill Hundred.
Bradley, Matthew	" V.H. ..	246	41	VI.	Waikawa.
Aitken, James	" ..	304	105	XX.	Otara.
Spencer, John F.	O.R.P. ..	423	50	I.	Forest Hill Hundred.
Baird, Peter	" ..	469	4	"	Otara.
Casey, John	P.L. ..	88	349	"	Waiaua.
Clark, Sarah	L.I.P. ..	343	16	I.	Oteramika Hundred.
Melvin, John	O.R.P. ..	405	51	X.	Waikawa.
Peterson, James	L.I.P. ..	118	6	XII.	Otara.
Buckingham, J. H.	" ..	129	9, 12	III.	Waikawa.
Coster, Jessie	" ..	313	2	VI.	"
Gallaher, James	" ..	122	12	IV.	"
	" ..	221	11	V.	Otara.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
 Minister of Lands.

Village Allotments, Chatton, Southland, open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 16th January, 1900.
THE under-mentioned village allotment will be open for sale or selection either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or on lease in perpetuity, at the option of the applicant, on Tuesday, the 6th March, 1900.
 If more than one application be received on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

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.
Chatton Village	8 to 11	XIX.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
			0 3 20	5 0 0	4 7 6	5 0	2 2	4 0 1 9

Situated about eight miles from Gore. Land level; good black loamy soil, with silver-tussock. Limit of holding in this village, one acre.

D. BARRON,
 Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Grazing License, Motatau, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
 Auckland, 8th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned rural land will be offered for lease by public auction at this office on Friday, 23rd February, 1900, at 11 o'clock a.m., subject to the following conditions:—

SCHEDULE.

FOREST reserve, Block XVI., Motatau Survey District, Auckland: 576 acres; upset annual rental, £7; term, fourteen years.

TERMS OF LEASE.

1. The lessee to have the right to use the land for grazing purposes only.
2. The lessee shall have no right to fell or remove from the land any live or dead trees or timber, whether standing or lying on the ground.
3. All persons duly authorised in that behalf shall have free right of ingress, egress, and regress for any of the purposes of "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," or for felling or removing from the land any trees or timber as aforesaid.
4. The lessee at the expiration of the term of his lease may remove all fencing and buildings erected by him on the land.

GERHARD MUELLER,
 Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Marlborough, for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 16th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application on and after Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1900, at the half-yearly rentals stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	d.	£ s. d.
Kaitarau ..	S.G.R. 102	10,244 0 0	1-88	40 0 4
		80 0 0		4 0 0

Nearly all steep hills, very broken, with a large area of useless rock and shingle on the upper slopes of the Seaward Kaikouras. About 4,200 acres bush, of which some 600 acres along the River Clinton is good, consisting of rimu, matai, and totara; remainder inferior birch. The fenced paddock locally known as Parsons's Clearing is in this run; it contains 250 acres of well-grassed flat and ridge. Well watered. Eleven miles from Kaikoura—by formed road, nine miles; by unformed, two miles.

Kaitarau .. | S.G.R. 103 | 3,215 0 0 | 2-8 | 18 16 9

Nearly all steep hills, very broken, with a considerable area of useless rock and shingle on the upper slopes of the Seaward Kaikouras. One thousand acres bush, inferior birch on ridges, fair mixed bush in valleys; the lower portions can be advantageously cleared and grassed. Well watered. Thirteen miles and a half from Kaikoura—nine miles by formed road, and remainder by dray-track up river-bed.

Kaitarau .. | S.G.R. 104 | 3,932 0 0 | 2-25 | 18 8 8

Nearly all steep hills, very broken, with large area of useless rock and shingle on the upper slopes of the Seaward Kaikouras. Thirteen hundred acres bush, consisting of rimu, matai, and totara in the valleys, and inferior birch on the ridges; the lower slopes would carry grass well when cleared. Well watered. Fourteen miles and a half from Kaikoura—by formed road nine miles, and pack-track five miles and a half.

Kaitarau .. | S.G.R. 105 | 6,838 0 0 | 3 | 42 14 9

Nearly all steep hills, very broken, with large area of useless rock and shingle on the upper slopes of the Seaward Kaikouras. Three thousand acres bush, mostly rimu, matai, and totara, with inferior birch on the ridges. Most of this bush land is fair soil, and would carry grass well if cleared; 200 acres good grass on limestone slopes. Well watered. Sixteen miles from Kaikoura—nine miles by formed road, and seven miles by pack-track.

Kaitarau and Puhipuhi | S.G.R. 106 | 5,837 0 0 | 2-8 | 34 4 0

Nearly all steep hills (altitude, 600 ft. to 4,000 ft.), mostly covered with bush, rimu, matai, and totara in some of the valleys, with inferior birch on the ridges; remainder tussock spurs. Some 600 acres easy limestone faces that would pay to clear. Well watered. Seventeen miles from Kaikoura, eleven miles of which is by good formed road.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 16th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Thursday, the 22nd February, 1900, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

RUN No. 144, Gore Survey District: Area, 600 acres; term, 11 years; upset annual rental, £5.

Very broken country, covered with scrub and light bush, mostly cedar.

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

Possession will be given on day of sale.

Purchaser must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and license-fee (£1 1s.) on the fall of the hammer.

The right is reserved to resume any portion of the run for public purposes.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments, Southland, open for Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 16th January, 1900.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on Tuesday, the 6th March, 1900. 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 the following day at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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WALLACE COUNTY.—WAIKIOU SURVEY DISTRICT.—MORLEY VILLAGE.

2 | IV. | 17 1 5 | 2 4-8 | 1 0 9

Situated about one mile from Nightcaps Railway-station. Land open and undulating, soil fair. Limit of holding in this village, 25 acres.

SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—HOKONUI SURVEY DISTRICT.—CROYDON VILLAGE.

774 | .. | 6 2 18 | 1 7-2 | 0 5 2

Situated about four miles and a half from Gore Railway-station. Undulating bush land, soil fair. Limit of holding in this village, one allotment.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Rangiataea and Opouriao Estates, Auckland, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 16th January, 1900.

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, Auckland, on Monday, the 26th 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 at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland. If the sections be not applied for on the 26th February, they will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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PIAKO COUNTY.—RANGIATEA ESTATE.

Maungakawa | 4 | IV. | 209 0 0 | 4 0 | 20 18 0

This section has a frontage of some 22 chains to the district road. It comprises flat and undulating land in grass. It contains 50 chains post-and-wire fencing. Situated one mile and a half from Waitoa Railway-station. The Waiheka Stream supplies constant water.

WHAKATANE COUNTY.—OPOURIAO ESTATE.

Whakatane | 2A | IX. | 7 0 0 | 5 0 | 0 17 6

Flat alluvial land in grass and rushes; good soil; frontage to main road; about seven miles from Whakatane Township.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Lands, Otago, for Sale by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 16th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that licenses of the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be submitted to public auction, at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1900, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Runs 121a and 121k, Taieri County: Area, 7,757 acres 2 roods 34 perches; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £130; valuation for improvements, £290 14s. 6d. Situated about four miles from Middlemarch. Possession on 1st March, 1900.

Run 261k, Maniototo County: Area, 1,005 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £16 15s.; valuation for improvements, £17 10s. High pastoral country. Situated about fifteen miles from Raifurly Railway-station. Possession on day of sale.

Run 244d and commonage, Vincent County: Area, 3,298 acres and 11 perches; term, 14 years; upset annual rental, £27 9s. 8d.; valuation for improvements, £89 5s. Situated about one mile from Ophir Township. Possession on day of sale.

Run 11a, Waitaki County: Area, 300 acres; term, thirteen years; upset annual rental, £3. Situated on the Waianakarua River, about five miles from Waianakarua Railway-station. Possession on day of sale.

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

Purchasers must deposit 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 the fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands open for Application.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 29th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following allotments on the Janefield Settlement, near Mosgiel, will be open for application on the lease-in-perpetuity system, under the Land for Settlements Act, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—TAIERI SURVEY DISTRICT.—JANEFIELD SETTLEMENT.

Allotments.	Area.	Rent per Acre.			Half-yearly Rental.		
		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
7 and 8	9 0 0	1	13	0	7	8	6
9 and 10	6 2 16	1	17	0	6	2	1
11 and 12	6 0 0	1	13	0	4	19	0
13 and 14	6 0 0	1	13	0	4	19	0
21 and 22	6 0 0	1	17	0	5	11	0
23 and 24	6 0 0	1	17	0	5	11	0

Full information can be obtained at this office.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land at Levin Township for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 9th January, 1900.

THE under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash, at Levin, on Tuesday, the 6th March, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HOROWHENUA COUNTY.—LEVIN TOWNSHIP.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.			Cash Price.		
			A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
Levin Township..	2	I.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	7	"	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	6	III.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	8	"	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	4	XII.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	5	"	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	2	XIII.	0	1	38	15	0	0
"	9	"	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	9	XIV.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	6	XV.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	17	XVI.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	18	XVII.	0	1	0	7	10	0
"	19	"	0	1	0	7	10	0

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 will be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void.

There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on the purchasers of these sections.

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

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

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 8th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned kauri timber, standing on Blocks IV. and V., Otama Survey District, Coromandel County, will be offered for sale by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on Friday, 23rd February, 1900, at 11 o'clock a.m.

About 7,010,000 superficial feet, nearly all sound green timber, situated on Kuaotunu No. III. Block, having a southerly slope to Mercury Bay, distant between one and two miles. Upset price, £5,257 10s.

Conditions of Sale.—One-third cash (or marked cheque) on fall of the hammer, one-third in twelve months from date of sale, and balance by 31st December, 1902. Seven years allowed for removal of timber.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Southland District open for Sale or Selection.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

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

Clarence Run, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 20th December, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral land will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Monday, the 29th January, 1900, at 2 p.m.
If the run be not leased at auction on the 29th January, then it will be open for selection for the term and at the rental stated herein.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

Survey Districts of Kaitarau, Tone, and Greenburn.

Run No.	Name of Run.	Area.	Term of Years.	Upset Annual Rental.
124	Clarence ..	Acres. 114,300	21	£ 650

Situate mainly in the Clarence Valley. It is excellent country, a large portion being on limestone. The run is difficult of access sheep having to be driven over the range to the Kaikoura side to be shorn at the reserve on the main road. This reserve is now included as part of the run, and on it are the wool-shed, yards, and other buildings, ample for homestead purposes. These buildings go with the run as part of the leasehold.

The above run will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892." Possession will be given on the day of sale; period to commence 1st March, 1900.

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 and license-fee (£1 1s.) on the fall of the hammer.

C. W. ADAMS,
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.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

TAMAI HAMLET.

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

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

PAWAHO HAMLET.

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

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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.

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

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned town and rural sections at Hanmer Springs will be opened for lease on application, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 31st January, 1900. In the event of more than one application being received on the same day for the same section, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 o'clock a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Annual Rental.
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HANMER SPRINGS TOWNSHIP.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
12	I.	1 0 0 2 0 0

HANMER SPRINGS VILLAGE.

13	..	18 3 25 2 0 0
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This section consists partly of good flax and manuka swamp, and partly of poor shingly soil covered with tussock.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

- Applications must be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Christchurch, and must be accompanied by a deposit of a half-year's rent, together with £1 1s. lease-fee.
 - Possession will be given immediately on approval by the Land Board of the application.
 - The leases will be for terms of forty-two years.
 - The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance, free of all deductions whatsoever; and if not paid within twenty-one days after due date the lessor may re-enter upon the land and determine the lease.
 - The lessee shall have no right to mortgage, sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the whole or any portion of the land comprised in the lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
 - 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 or spread of gorse, broom, sweetbriar, and other noxious weeds or plants on the land comprised in the lease, and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.
 - The lessee shall not carry on, or permit to be carried on, upon the land or any part thereof, any noisy, noxious, or offensive trade or manufacture, or do or suffer to be done thereon any act or thing whatsoever which may be an annoyance to the lessor or to any other lessee in the neighbourhood.
 - In the event of the lessee, upon the expiry of the term, not again becoming the occupier of the land under a fresh lease, he shall be entitled to payment of valuation for all improvements which he shall have effected upon the land, so far as the same are existing and unexhausted.
 - The lessee of any town section shall, within two years from the date of his lease, erect upon the land buildings to the value of at least £50.
 - No person shall be eligible to apply for or to hold more than one allotment in the township and one allotment in the village.
- Sale plans and forms of application may be obtained at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.
- SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in 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.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
9	XVI.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
		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.

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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. Valuation for improvements, £16 5s. Possession on day of sale.

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

Sections 2 and 3, Block V., part Section 12, Block IX., Section 11, Block IX., and Section 17, Block X., Teviot District, Tuapeka County: Area, 7,509 acres 2 roods 15 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25; valuation for improvements, £207 10s. 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 Warea 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, £893 8s. 6d., 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.

Sections in Township of Te Puia for Lease by Tender.

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

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

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

Section.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.	Section.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.
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TOWNSHIP OF TE PUIA

Block I.

	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
1	0	1	0	1	10	0	7	0	1	2	1	0	0
2	0	1	0	1	0	0	8	0	1	0	1	10	0
3	0	1	0	1	0	0	9	0	1	0	1	10	0
4	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	0	1	0	1	10	0
5	0	1	0	1	0	0	11	0	1	0	1	10	0
6	0	1	0	1	0	0	12	0	1	15	1	10	0

Block II.

1	0	1	0	1	10	0	6	0	1	0	1	10	0
2	0	1	0	2	0	0	7	0	1	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	0	1	0	0	8	0	1	0	1	10	0
4	0	1	0	1	10	0	9	0	1	0	1	0	0
5	0	1	0	1	0	0	11	0	1	0	1	10	0

Block III.

1	0	1	0	2	0	0	7	0	1	0	1	10	0
2	0	1	0	1	10	0	8	0	1	0	1	10	0
5	0	1	0	1	10	0	9	0	2	0	4	0	0
6	0	1	19	1	10	0							

SUBURBS OF TE PUIA.

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

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

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

of the township. The country to the eastward is poor flat land with small manuka, fern, &c., and swampy in places. There is a nice sweet stream of cold water close to the hot spring in the centre of the Waipiro Road; there is also good water near the Maori whare, north-east corner of the township.

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

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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.
	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Lot 15, Sec. 452	100 0 0	0 4 8	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, 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.

Reserve in Auckland Land District for Lease by Public Tender.

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

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

TOWN OF HOKIANGA.

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

An old Customs shed is situated on the land. Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque or money-order for the amount of six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 ls. lease-fee.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Wellington for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 27th November, 1899.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HUTT COUNTY.

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

Weighted with £18 10s. for improvements.

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

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

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

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

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

The sections are well watered by permanent springs.

The elevation ranges from about 1,000 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level.

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

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

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

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

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. The next payment will become due on the 1st January, 1901.

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.

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 at Levin Township for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 9th January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified, in terms of "The Land Act, 1892," that written tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, up to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, the 6th March, 1900, for the lease of the under-mentioned sections. If any sections are unapplied-for on the above date, they will remain open for selection at the upset rentals and for the terms stated below.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HOROWHENUA COUNTY.—LEVIN TOWNSHIP.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Yearly Rent: 5 per Cent.		
				£	s.	d.
Levin Township	3	I.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	7	III.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	9	"	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	10	"	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	3	IV.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	6	XII.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	1	XIII.	0 1 38	0	15	0
"	5	"	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	8	XIV.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	16	XVI.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	18	"	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	17	XVIII.	0 1 0	0	7	6
"	20	"	0 1 0	0	7	6

Term, fourteen years.

CONDITIONS.

1. Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque or post-office order for six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 1s. lease-fee.
2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.
3. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.
4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified above, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.
5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.
6. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the land comprised in the lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
7. The land shall not be cropped nor broken up, except with the consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

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

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

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

Land in Marlborough open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 8th January, 1900.

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, Blenheim, on Monday, the 12th day of March, 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 allotment on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim. If the section be not applied for on the 12th March, 1900, it will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—RICHMOND BROOK ESTATE.
Second-class Agricultural Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.				
				Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.			
			A. R. P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Blue Mountain	2	II.	582 0 0	3	0	43	13	0

All in native grass; 200 acres of small flats, ploughable. Water part of the year. Altitude, 600 ft. to 1,100 ft. 35 chains wire fence; 100 chains netted fence. Nine miles and a half from Seddon Railway-station, by formed road three miles, and unformed six miles and a half.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 17th January, 1900.

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, 1900-2.]

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (1900-3)	12th December, 1899	Manawatu-Kukutauaki 2E, Sections 11 and 12	Raureti Ngawhena to Charles Frederick Johnston.
2	Lease (1900-9)	13th December, 1899	Hua, Section 89	Harata Huru to William Stanley.

Officiating Ministers for 1900.—Notice No. 1.

“THE MARRIAGE ACT, 1880.”

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 18th January, 1900.

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

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

The Reverend—
Adcock, Joseph Mould, B.A.
Allanson, Edwin
Andrew, John Chapman, M.A.
Anson, Harold, M.A.
Averill, Alfred Walter, M.A.
Baker, William George
Ballachey, William
Barklie, John Knox, B.A.
Bartlett, John Geoffrey Sherry
Bates, Daniel Cross
Bean, Walter Stanley
Beatty, William, M.A.
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Beaumont, George Price, M.A.
The Reverend—
Beavan, Arthur Dowrick
Beck, Arthur James
Bennett, Frederic Augustus
Bispham, Charles
Blackburne, John Edwin
Blakiston, Edward Nevile
Blathwayt, Wynter
Boler, Robert Gooddine
Booth, William
Bowden, Charles Stuart, M.A.
Boyes, Noble Dale
Bradbury, Augustus McInnes
Brady, Laurence Carsley
Brooke, Harold John, B.A.
Browne, William Henry
Budd, Edward Claude
Butterfield, Matthew William, B.A.
Calder, William, Canon
Campbell, Joseph, M.A.
Cameron, Peter Lochiel Mitchell
Cassell, James Robert, M.A.
Cato, Thomas Anson
Chambers, Edward Eliot
Chapman, John William
Chatterton, Frederick William
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Cholmondeley, George James
The Reverend—
Christian, George William
Clarke, Alfred Pickering
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Clarke, Edward Bloomfield, B.D.
The Reverend—
Coates, Charles
Coates, Richard, B.A.
Cocks, Philip John, B.A.
Coffey, Richard, M.A.
Compton, Arthur William Henry, B.A.
Cotterill, George, B.A., Canon
Cowie, Edmund Mortlock, M.A.
Cowie, John Patteson
The Most Reverend, Bishop (Primate)—
Cowie, William Garden, D.D.
The Reverend—
Cowx, Howard Percival, M.A.
Cross, Edward Samuel
Cruden, William, M.A.
Cubitt, Lyttelton Lucas
Curzon-Siggers, William, M.A.
Dart, John Raynor
Dasent, Alexander
Davidson, Gerald Walkingshaw
Davies, Henry Samuel
Davis, Henry John
Davis, John King, M.A.
Davys, George Paul, M.A.
Dean, Oliver
Dent, George William
Devenish, John Melliar
Dobson, Frank Barker
Dodd, Thomas Francis, Canon
Dove, Julian Llewelyn, M.A.
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Dudley, Benjamin Thornton
The Reverend—
Dunkley, Walter, Minor Canon
Dunnage, Frank
Du Rieu, William Marsden, M.A.

Church of England—continued.

The Reverend—
Earée, Percy Charles Wyndham
East, Herbert Edward
Eccles, John Charles
Edwards, Edward George, M.A.
Ensor, Ernest Henry
Ensor, Harold Edward
Evans, Frank George
Evershed, F. Trevor P., M.A.
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Fancourt, Thomas
The Reverend—
Farley, Thomas
Fendall, Frederick Philip, B.A.
The Very Reverend—
Fitchett, Alfred Robertson, D.D.,
Dean
The Reverend—
FitzGerald, Lyttelton
FitzGerald, Otho
Fortune, Peter Thomas
Fowler, Arthur
Fox, Arthur Stewart
Fox, John Elliott, M.A., Canon
Fraer, Charles Anderson
Fynes-Clinton, Geoffrey
Garbett, Robert Fitzhugh
Gardiner, Allen Francis
Gibson, McKenzie
Gifford, Algernon
Gilbert, Hannibal John Congdon
Gillam, William Eugene
Goodyear, William
Gosset, Charles Hilgrove
Gould, Frank, Canon
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Gould, Henry George
Govett, Henry, B.A.
Grace, Thomas Samuel
The Reverend—
Hamilton, Hugh Henry Scriven, M.A.
Hamilton, Staples, B.A.
Hamilton, Thomas Albert
Hampton, David Orr
Hansell, Arthur Lloyd, M.A.
Hape, Lanfear Morgan (Ranapia
Mokena)
Hapimana, Taimona
Hare, Francis Augustus, M.A.
Harper, Charles Coleridge, M.A.
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Harper, Henry William, M.A.
The Reverend—
Harper, Walter, M.A., Honorary
Canon
Harrison, Charles Frederic Robert
Haselden, John, Canon
Haumia, Rameka
Hawkes, John Henry, M.A.
Hawkins, Hector Alfred
Hawkins, Henry George
Hawthorne, Sydney
Hermon, Reginald
Heron, Alexander Henry
Hewlett, Oswald Rouselle
Hewlett, Theophilus Peter Norris
Hewson, Joseph
Hinson, Stanley
Hobbs, John
Hoggins, Albany Charles, B.A.
Holland, John
Houchen, Edward, M.A.
The Very Reverend—
Hovell, De Berdt, Dean
The Reverend—
Howell, Henry William
Huata, Hemi Pititi
Huata, Tamihana
Hunt, Herbert Falkner, M.A.
Ingle, Samuel
Inwood, Frederick Richard
The Very Reverend—
Jacobs, Henry, D.D., Dean
The Reverend—
Jenkins, Digby Hancock
Jennings, Charles William

Church of England—continued.

The Reverend—
Jennings, Edward
Johnson, Allan Macdonald, M.A.
Johnston, Thomas
Johnston, Walter, B.A.
Johnston, W. Hamilton, M.A.
Jones, Alan Stanley Innes
Jones, Joshua
Jordan, Charles, B.A.
The Right Reverend, Bishop—
Julius, Churchill, D.D.
The Reverend—
Kamiti, Reihana
Kapa, Matthew
Katerns, William
Kayll, James Leslie Allan
Kempthorne, John Pratt
Kereru, Horima Mokoi
Kewley, Henry Thomas, M.A.
Kinder, John, M.A., D.D.
King, Bryan Meyrick, Canon
Kiriwi, Timoti
Kirkbride, Middlewood
Klingender, Horace Weston
Knowles, Francis, Honorary Canon
Knowles, Walter Frank
Lambert, William, B.A.
Larkins, Frederick
Latter, Francis
Leach, Hugh Stanley
The Venerable Archdeacon—
Lingard, Edward Atherton
The Reverend—
Livesey, Cecil Edleston, B.A.
Lucas, William Stanley, Canon
Lush, William Edward, M.A.
McConnell, Ernest Whigham Jardine,
M.A.
McFarland, Edgar James, B.A.
Maclean, Thomas Billing
MacMurray, George, M.A.
McNickle, John Alexander, M.A.
McWilliam, James
Major, Henry Dewsbury Alves, M.A.
Marshall, Hannath Michael Blake
Marshall, James, M.A.
Marshall, Joy Marriott, M.A.
Martin, Francis White
Mason, Harry
Masters, Frederick George, M.A.
Mathews, Richard Twitchell, B.A.
Mathias, Hugh Henry, B.A.
Maunsell, George
Mayne, Frank, M.A.
Merton, Charles John
Meyer, Theodore Albert
Mitchell, Alfred Douglas
The Right Reverend, Bishop—
Mules, Charles Oliver, M.A.
The Reverend—
Mulgan, William Edward, B.A.
Neild, Alfred, M.A.
Nelson, Charles Moseley, M.A., Canon
The Right Reverend, Bishop—
Nevill, Samuel Tarratt, D.D.
The Reverend—
Nगतote, Reihana
Northcote, Hugh, M.A.
O'Callaghan, Thaddeus, D.D.
Oldham, Charles Collingwood
Orbell, Waldron Hastings
Paerata, Herewini Nopera
Paerata, Tiopira
Pahewa, Hakaraia
Pahewa, Matiaha
Papahia, Hone
Pascoe, William Augustus, Honorary
Canon
Platts, Frederick Charles, M.A.
Pohutu, Hone
Pollöck, Charles Richard
Porritt, Thomas
Pritchett, Percy Hugh
Pukerua, Manahi Katene
Purchas, Arthur Guyon, M.R.C.S.
Purchas, Harold, B.A.

Church of England—continued.

The Reverend—
 Purchas, Henry Thomas, M.A.
 Rangamaro, Rihara
 Rangi, Ahipene
 Rawnsley, Henry Thomas
 Richards, Isaac, M.A., Canon
 Robertshawe, Edward, B.A.
 Robinson, Charles William
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Robinson, Christopher Gerard, M.A.
 The Reverend—
 Ronaldson, William
 Ruarangi, Hare Maihi
 Runga, Nirai
 Russell, John Delacourt
 Scott, Edwin Arthur
 Sedgwick, Arthur Henry, B.A.
 Shanahan, Edward
 Sheldon, John
 Simcox, Frederick Edward Telling
 Sisam, William Bernard, B.A.
 Small, John Charles
 Smallfield, Percy Scott
 Smith, Arthur Frank
 Smith, Thomas James
 Smyth, Henry Montague, M.A.
 Smyth, Thomas Jasper, M.A.
 Snee, James Frederick
 Soutar, Alexander Chalmers, M.A.
 Sprott, Thomas Henry, M.A.
 Stace, Alexander William Crawley
 St. Hill, Harry Woodford, Canon
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Stocker, Harry, B.A.
 The Reverend—
 Swinburn, William
 Sykes, John Henry
 Taitimu, James
 Tamihere, Aperahama
 Tautau, Nikora
 Taylor, Henry Edward
 Te Aihu, Rutene
 Te Awekotuku, Ratema
 Teakle, Joseph Frederic, B.A.
 Te Hana, Arona
 Te Haara, Meinata
 Te Hata, Hoeta
 Te Matete, Wiremu Hoete
 Te Ngara, Eruera Hurutara
 Te Paa, Wiki
 Te Paerata, Hone Teri
 Te Waha, Wiremu Parutene
 Thorpe, Richard Joshua, M.A.
 Timutimu, Tapeta
 Tisdall, Charles Archibald, M.A.
 Tobin, Cecil Alexander
 Tosswill, Arthur Robert Davis
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Towgood, Arthur, M.A.
 The Reverend—
 Tuckey, Henry Edward, B.A.
 Tuke, Charles Lawrence
 Turei, Mohi
 Waaka, Matenga
 Waitoa, Hone
 Walker, Frederick William
 Walker, John, M.A.
 The Right Reverend, Bishop—
 Wallis, Frederic, D.D.
 The Reverend—
 Walsh, Philip, Canon
 Waters, William Campbell, M.A.
 Watson, Cecil Alexander Burns
 Watson, Henry Airay, M.A.
 Watson, Henry Crocker Marriott
 Webb, Anthony Spurr, M.A., Canon
 Webb, Edmondson
 Webster, William Henry, B.A.
 Welsh, Walter
 Whitehead, Julius Milles, M.A.
 Whitehouse, Edwin
 Williams, Alfred Owen
 Williams, Arthur Frederic, B.A.
 Williams, Henry
 Williams, Henry, jun., M.A.
 Williams, Herbert William, M.A.
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Williams, Samuel
 The Right Reverend, Bishop—
 Williams, William Leonard, D.D.
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Willis, William Newcombe de Laval
 The Reverend—
 Wills, Thomas John
 Wilson, Herbert Fitz, B.A.
 Wilson, William Henry

Church of England—continued.

The Reverend—
 Wingfield, Albert
 Wingfield, Henry Barnard
 Wingfield, William
 Winter, William Thomas Pochin, M.A.
 Wood, William Charles
 Woodthorpe, Robert Augustus, M.A.
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Wright, Alfred Cecil
 The Reverend—
 Wyatt, Edgar Herbert
 York, George William
 York, Herbert Thomas
 Young, Frederick William, B.A.
 Young, Robert.

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

The Reverend—
 Allan, Robert Scott
 Allsworth, Ralph Joshua
 Anderson, David Arthur
 Asher, John Alexander, M.A.
 Barclay, George
 Barr, Robert
 Beattie, Alexander Minty, M.A.
 Blake, Alexander, M.A.
 Brown, George, M.A.
 Burnett, Henry Brown
 Campbell, William Rickarby, B.A.
 Comrie, William James
 Connor, Charles, sen.
 Connor, Charles, jun.
 Dickson, John, M.A.
 Douglas, William, M.A.
 Doull, Alexander, M.A.
 Doull, James
 Duncan, James
 Eldridge, Edwin
 Elliott, James Kennedy, B.A.
 Elmslie, John, M.A., D.D.
 Erwin, John, B.A.
 Erwin, Robert, M.A., D.D.
 Evans, William
 Ferguson, Robert
 Findlay, William Fairweather
 Findlayson, William
 Finlay, John Beck
 Fletcher, Henry James
 Gillies, William
 Gordon, David, B.A.
 Gow, John
 Gow, William James
 Grant, Alexander
 Grant, William
 Hall, John
 Headrick, John
 Hogg, William
 Hutson, Benjamin
 Inglis, George Brown
 Jamieson, David, M.A.
 Johnston, Henry Whyte, M.A.
 Jones, Griffith
 Kelly, Hugh
 Lewis, Henry Josiah
 McAra, William
 McCallum, Neil
 McClean, Robert
 McDonald, Charles
 Macdonald, John
 McDonald, Thomas
 McGregor, William
 Mackenzie, John, M.A.
 Mackenzie, James Hutton
 Mackie, Robert
 McKinney, Robert
 MacLean, Alexander
 Macnicol, Robert Ferguson
 Martin, David, B.A.
 Maxwell, James
 Milne, James, M.A.
 Mitchell, James Murdock
 Monro, George Bisset
 Morrison, Alexander Samuel, M.A.
 Murray, Charles, M.A.
 Murray, Hugh McKenzie
 Norrie, Thomas
 Norrie, Thomas Allan
 Ogg, Charles Simmers, M.A.
 Osborne, Samuel Smith
 Paterson, James
 Paterson, James Gillies
 Perry, Edward Ovenden
 Philip, William Hill
 Platt, William Thomas
 Raeburn, William
 Riddle, Patrick Johnstone

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand—continued.

The Reverend—
 Ritchie, William, M.A.
 Robb, William Officer
 Robertson, Thomas Frew
 Rodger, David Davidson
 Ronaldson, James
 Ross, John
 Ryburn, Robert Middleton, M.A.
 Scott, Thomas, M.A.
 Shepherd, Alexander, M.A.
 Shirer, William
 Sidey, David, D.D.
 Sim, George Innes, M.A., B.D.
 Simpson, Joseph Moody, B.A.
 Skinner, James, M.A.
 Smith, Walter
 Sommerville, Robert
 Steele, David John, M.A.
 Stewart, Robert
 Stowell, George Kinninmonth
 Stubbs, Frederick
 Thomson, Alexander
 Thomson, William
 Thomson, William, M.A., B.D.
 Todd, Alexander Bruce, B.A.
 Treadwell, Archibald Hamilton, B.A.
 Walls, Thomas, M.A.
 Westbrook, Brownlow James
 White, Joseph
 Whyte, Alexander, M.A., B.D.
 Wood, Robert
 Worboys, Charles
 Wright, Alexander McLean, M.A.
 Wylie, Robert.

Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland.

The Reverend—
 Aitken, James
 Alexander, Thomas
 Allan, John M.
 Baird, James
 Bannerman, William
 Begg, Adam, M.A.
 Bett, Andrew
 Bissett, Evan
 Blair, Robert Henry
 Borrie, David
 Brown, William Panton
 Brown, William W.
 Cameron, Andrew, B.A.
 Carter, Edmund James
 Chisholm, James
 Christie, John
 Clarke, James
 Connor, Charles
 Cumming, James, M.A.
 Currie, Samuel W., M.A.
 Dalrymple, Alexander Milne, M.A.
 Davidson, James M.
 Don, Alexander
 Dunlop, John, M.A., D.D.
 Dutton, Daniel
 Ewen, Robert, M.A.
 Fairmaid, Robert
 Finlayson, Alexander M.
 Fisher, David Keay
 Fraser, James M.
 Fraser, Philadelphus Bain, M.A.
 Gellie, James C., B.A.
 Gibb, James
 Grant, William Kerr, M.A.
 Gray, Andrew
 Greig, Alexander, M.A.
 Griffiths, John
 Hay, Peter Scott, M.A.
 Hewitson, William, B.A.
 Howes, William Henry, B.A.
 Jamieson, John C.
 Johnston, James
 Jolly, Isaac, M.A.
 Kilpatrick, John
 Kirkland, Andrew Dougall
 Kirkland, James
 Kyd, William Anderson
 Lindsay, George
 Lymburn, James
 Macdonald, Alexander, M.A.
 McCully, Robert
 McIntyre, Isaac Kirker
 McKerron, James Muir, M.A.
 Mackie, James
 McLaren, Walter Gray
 Miller, George
 Morrison, Robert Colquhoun

Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland—continued.

The Reverend—
 Neave, Thomas
 Nichol, William
 Niven, James
 Paulin, Thomas
 Porter, Robert James
 Ramsay, Peter
 Reid, James Swanson
 Roby, George Young
 Scorgie, William
 Smith, James McCosh, M.A., B.D.
 Smith, John Gibson
 Somerville, James Alexander, M.A.
 Spence, Jacob Urwin
 Standing, James
 Steven, John
 Sutherland, Robert Rose McKay
 Tait, Thomas
 Telford, Robert
 Tennent, Edward Cowper
 Thomson, Alexander Davidson
 Todd, Alexander Bruce
 Waddell, Rutherford, M.A., D.D.
 Waters, John
 Watt, Michael, M.A., D.D.
 White, William, M.A.
 Will, James Alexander
 Wright, William.

Roman Catholic Church.

The Reverend—
 Ahern, Joseph L.
 Ainsworth, John
 Amandolini, D. Adalbert
 Aubry, Paul
 Becker, John
 Bell, Charles Edmund
 The Very Reverend—
 Binsfeld, J. Nicolas, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Bogue, Philip
 Bowden, John, M.A.
 Bower, Thomas, B.A.
 Bowers, Henry G.
 Bressers, Richard
 Brodie, Matthew
 Broomfield, John
 Buckley, Francis
 The Very Reverend—
 Burke, William, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Cahill, Thomas J.
 The Very Reverend—
 Carew, Denis P., Dean
 The Reverend—
 Chastagnon, Stephen
 The Very Reverend—
 Chervier, John Claudius
 Chesnais, Theophilus Le Menant des,
 V.G.
 The Reverend—
 Clancy, John
 Cleary, Henry W.
 Coffey, James
 Cognet, Claudius
 Cooney, Patrick
 Costello, Patrick C.
 Croke, William
 Crotty, William
 Darby, Joseph Croke
 Delach, Francis
 Delaney, James
 The Venerable Archdeacon—
 Devoy, Thomas, V.G.
 The Reverend—
 Dunham, Robert Southey
 The Very Reverend—
 Egan, Daniel Osmond
 The Reverend—
 Egan, Michael
 Fauvel, Louis
 Fay, Patrick
 The Very Reverend—
 Foley, James, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Franklin, Robert Joseph
 Galerne, Peter Augustine
 Gallais, Désiré
 Geary, John
 Gillan, George H.
 The Very Reverend—
 Ginaty, Laurence M.
 The Reverend—
 Goggan, James
 Goggan, William D.

Roman Catholic Church—continued.

The Reverend—
 Golden, John
 Goutenoire, John Antoine
 The Right Reverend, Bishop—
 Grimes, John Joseph, D.D.
 The Very Reverend—
 Grogan, Michael, Dean
 Hackett, James Joseph
 The Reverend—
 Hearne, Patrick
 Herbert, Joseph Stanislaus
 Hickson, James P.
 Hills, Francis
 Holierhoek, Adrian
 Holley, John
 Howard, Michael
 Huault, Placidus
 Hunt, George Michael
 Hyland, William
 Johnson, William
 Kamp, Peter
 Keenan, Michael
 Kehoe, Joseph Paul
 Kehoe, Thomas
 Kennedy, David, D.D.
 Kimbell, Eugene
 King, Laurence
 The Very Reverend—
 Kirk, Charles H., Dean
 The Reverend—
 Kreymborg, Charles
 Lacroix, Celestine
 The Very Reverend—
 Lane, John T.
 • The Right Reverend, Bishop—
 Lenihan, George Michael, D.D.
 The Reverend—
 Lepetit, Augustin
 Leprêtre, Peter
 The Very Reverend—
 Lewis, William Joseph
 Lighthouse, Albert
 The Reverend—
 Lynch, James
 The Very Reverend Monsignor—
 McDonald, Walter*
 The Reverend—
 McDonnell, Hugh
 McGrath, James
 McGrath, William
 The Very Reverend—
 Mackay, John, Dean
 McKenna, James, Dean
 McKenna, John, Dean
 The Reverend—
 McKenna, Thomas
 McMullan, William Alexander
 The Very Reverend—
 Macnamara, John
 The Reverend—
 Mahoney, George
 Mahoney, William Henry
 The Very Reverend—
 Mahoney, William Joseph, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Mahoney, Stanislaus
 Maillard, Julian
 Malone, Daniel J.
 Maples, Frederick George
 Marnane, Michael T.
 The Very Reverend—
 Martin, Philip Aimé, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Melu, Francis
 Moloney, Nicolas Bartholomew
 Mulvihill, Thomas
 Murphy, Patrick
 O'Connell, John Aloysius
 O'Connor, William Joseph
 O'Dea, Patrick
 O'Donnell, Edmund Patrick
 O'Donnell, John F.
 The Very Reverend—
 O'Donnell, James Joseph
 The Reverend—
 O'Donnell, Patrick
 O'Gallagher, Charles
 O'Hallahan, Daniel F.
 O'Hara, John
 The Very Reverend—
 O'Leary, Patrick
 The Reverend—
 O'Meara, John
 The Very Reverend—
 O'Neill, James

Roman Catholic Church—continued.

The Reverend—
 O'Neill, Patrick
 O'Reilly, Charles
 The Very Reverend—
 O'Reilly, Patrick, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Osborne, John
 O'Shea, Daniel
 O'Shea, Thomas
 O'Sullivan, Mathew J.
 Patterson, James Francis
 The Very Reverend Monsignor—
 Paul, James
 The Reverend—
 Pertuis, Eugene
 The Very Reverend—
 Pestre, J. Francis Regis, D.D.
 Power, Patrick J.
 The Reverend—
 Price, Thomas W.
 Purton, William Benedict
 The Most Reverend, Archbishop and
 Metropolitan—
 Redwood, Francis, D.D.
 The Reverend—
 Regnault, Peter
 Richards, Robert
 The Very Reverend—
 Rolland, John Louis, Dean
 The Reverend—
 Ryan, John
 Salvador, Di Matthia
 Schoonhof
 Servajean, Louis C.
 The Very Reverend—
 Sheehan, John
 The Reverend—
 Smiers, Caspar
 Smiers, John Werenfrid
 The Very Reverend—
 Smyth, Patrick J.
 The Reverend—
 Soulas, Christopher
 Treacy, Patrick
 Tubman, John
 Tymons, Patrick William
 Vandyk, William
 Van Westeinde, William
 The Most Reverend, Bishop—
 Verdon, Michael, D.D.
 The Reverend—
 Walsh, Edward Francis
 The Very Reverend—
 Walsh, Michael
 The Venerable, Archpriest—
 Walshe, Thomas
 The Reverend—
 Yardin, Francis.

Wesleyan Methodist Church.

The Reverend—
 Abernethy, Christopher
 Ashcroft, Arthur
 Baumber, William
 Beck, William Henry
 Beckett, William
 Beecroft, Charles E.
 Beggs, Hugh
 Bellhouse, Harold E.
 Best, Edward
 Blamires, Edgar Percy
 Blamires, Henry L.
 Blight, Joseph
 Bond, George
 Bowie, William S.
 Bridgman, George H.
 Brooke, Thomas G.
 Bull, Henry
 Burrows, James Thomas
 Burton, John W.
 Buttle, Joseph Newman
 Cannell, William
 Carr, Thomas Goodwill
 Chapman, James Gates
 Chappell, Albert B.
 Clark, James Richard
 Cobb, George W.
 Crump, John
 Dawson, William
 Dewsbury, Henry R.
 Dukes, John
 Eden, H.A. F.
 Elliott, Gabriel
 Elliott, William J.
 Ellis, John Gillies Whit
 Fairclough, Paul W.

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Wesleyan Methodist Church—cont'd.

The Reverend—
 Fee, Thomas
 Foston, Charles A.
 Foston, Herman
 Frost, George
 Garland, Charles H.
 Garlick, Samuel J.
 Gibson, Samuel J.
 Gilmour, Matthew Kerr
 Ginger, Barton Henry
 Gittos, William
 Gray, Joseph H.
 Greenslade, William
 Griffin, Cornelius
 Griffin, John Wesley
 Griffin, Thomas Nicholas
 Griffith, Samuel
 Grigg, William
 Hammond, Thomas G.
 Harper, George S.
 Harrison, Colin C.
 Haslam, Jonathan Henry
 Heretini, Te Tuhi
 Hosking, James Alfred
 Hounsell, George
 Isitt, Francis Whitmore
 Isitt, Leonard Monk
 Jones, Thomas Francis
 Jory, John D.
 Joughin, Thomas A.
 Keal, Robert Purcell
 Keall, William
 King, Samuel
 Kirk, William
 Law, John
 Lawry, Albert C.
 Lawry, Henry H.
 Lawry, Samuel
 Laws, Charles Henry, B.A.
 Lee, William
 Lewis, John J.
 Lochore, John A.
 Luxford, John Aldred
 Marshall, George T.
 Marten, William B.
 Mather, Joseph J.
 McNicoll, David
 Mitchell, Arthur
 Morley, William
 Murray, Daniel James
 Murray, Richard J.
 Nelson, John
 Newbold, Thomas Walter
 Oldham, Frederick B.
 Oliver, John
 Oliver, William Calder
 Orchard, John
 Oxbrow, Walter John
 Parsonson, William George
 Patchett, Ernest
 Paul, Hauraki
 Pearson, George
 Pendray, John Jeffrey
 Penney, Charles
 Peters, Alfred
 Peryman, Samuel H. D.
 Pewa, Wi Warena
 Pinfold, James T., F.G.S.
 Poole, Charles H.
 Porter, Charles
 Prior, Samuel F.
 Rakena, Piripi
 Randerson, Arthur Cyril
 Rapley, Joseph
 Read, Frederick Thomas
 Reader, Amos
 Ready, William
 Redstone, Harry Blake
 Richards, John
 Richards, Thomas R.
 Rishworth, John Shears
 Rothwell, Benjamin Francis
 Ryan, Lawrence John
 Scotter, Adolphus Nelson
 Serpell, Samuel J.
 Simmonds, Joseph H.

Wesleyan Methodist Church—cont'd.

The Reverend—
 Sinclair, William A.
 Smalley, Joseph Smoult, F.R.G.S.
 Smith, John
 Spence, George William James
 Standage, Charles H.
 Stevens, Arthur Ernest
 Taylor, Robert
 Thomas, James
 Thomas, Thomas Eggleston, M.A.
 Thomas, William G.
 Tinsley, William
 Tuck, William R.
 Vealie, Thomas W.
 Ward, Josiah
 Watkin, William Jackson
 Weatherall, David
 White, John Hobson
 Williams, Harold W.
 Williams, William James
 Wills, William
 Worboys, John Wesley
 Worker, William
 Wrigley, James.

Congregational Independents.

The Reverend—
 Baker, Sidney James
 Burgess, George
 Carr, Greenwill
 Day, William
 Davidson, Charles Edward
 Fell, William Mill
 Fernie, W. S.
 Glasson, John Reed
 Heighway, George
 Isaac, Edmund Charles
 Miller, Henry William John
 Parker, Joseph
 Sarginson, Isaac
 Saunders, William
 Taylor, Edward
 Thomas, Benjamin Lewis
 Wilson, William Finlay, B.A.

Baptists.

The Reverend—
 Boreham, Frank William
 Clark, Joseph (Pastor)
 Collins, Archibald Henry
 Cox, George David
 Dallaston, Charles
 Dewdney, Arthur
 Doke, Joseph John
 Harris, Samuel Archer
 Jones, John Farquharson
 Lamb, William
 Muirhead, John
 North, Alfred
 Peters, Harold
 Poole, Allon
 Richards, Edward
 Wagstaff, Thomas
 Williams, Thomas Arthur.

Primitive Methodist Connexion.

The Reverend—
 Barnett, Samuel
 Bourne, John M.
 Boys, Frederick W.
 Clement, George
 Clover, James
 Cocker, James
 Cossam, Percy James
 Dawson, John
 Dean, William John
 Drake, Edward
 Dudley, Ben
 Dumbell, John
 Guy, James
 Hall, Richard
 Harris, Walter
 Henderson, Samuel
 Jones, Peter Wright
 Laycock, William
 Lyon, Thomas H.

Primitive Methodist Connexion—cont'd.

The Reverend—
 Mann, George Henry
 Merrett, John B.
 Nixon, John
 Olphert, John
 Potter, William Smith
 Pybus, Thomas A.
 Raine, Robert
 Sharp, Joseph
 Ward, Charles Ebenezer
 Williams, Henry
 Woodward, William Coombes
 Woollass, William.

Lutheran Church.

The Reverend—
 Blaess, Friedrich Karl Gottlieb
 Christensen, Mads
 Dierks, Heinrich Hartwig Christoph
 Heine, John William Christopher
 Legarth, Johannes Johannsen
 Ries, Hans Madsen
 Schwarz, Wilhelm Friedrich
 Thiel, Johannes Carl George
 Topholm, Niels Nielsen.

Hebrew Congregations.

The Reverend—
 Goldstein, Samuel Aaron
 Van Staveren, Herman
 Zachariah, Isaac
 Mr.—
 Nathan, Arthur Hyam
 Singer, Alexander.

Church of Christ.

Bull, Thomas John
 Franklyn, Joshua Joseph
 Greenhill, James
 Hales, Frank
 Laing, Robert
 Lewis, Edward
 Mazengarb, Alfred
 McCrackett, Duncan McLaren
 Turner, Albert Francis
 Watt, Charles.

Catholic Apostolic Church.

Sanderson, Reginald Francis
 Thane, William Theodore
 Tucker, Thomas Ernest.

Salvation Army.

Bennett, William, Major
 Cain, John, Major
 Estill, Thomas, Colonel
 Evans, Jonah, Major
 Foote, Joseph, Adjutant
 Gallant, Henry, Major
 Lipsett, Lewis, Major
 Ward, John, Adjutant.

Seventh Day Adventists.

Pastor—
 Baker, W. L. H.
 Farnsworth, Eugene W.
 Steed, David
 Teasdale, George.

Independent Wesleyan.

The Reverend Vanes, Benjamin.

Brethren.

Brunton, Alfred.

Newton (Auckland) Gospel Mission.

The Reverend Richard Wilson.

Conditionalists.

Aldridge, George.

Forward Movement.

Evans, William Albert.

I, EDWARD JOHN VON DADELSZEN, Registrar-General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in New Zealand, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true copy of a list in which I have entered all names of Officiating Ministers which have been sent in to me, in conformity with the provisions of "The Marriage Act, 1880," for insertion in the list for the year 1900.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
 Registrar-General.

Rainfall for December, 1899.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours).
NORTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH-EAST ASPECT—NORTH CAPE TO EAST CAPE.				
Parengarenga ..	A. R. Crane ..	..	..	..
Pakarakā ..	Hon. H. Williams, M.L.C. ..	0.40	3	0.32 on 16th
Parua Bay ..	D. Davidson ..	0.82	6	0.44 on 18th
Waihi (Thames) ..	H. B. Devereux ..	0.56	3	0.50 on 18th
Auckland ..	Government Observer ..	0.34	5	0.11 on 17th
Cuvier Island* ..	Lightkeeper ..	..	..	..
Tauranga ..	R. O. Stewart ..	1.26	5	1.00 on 17th
Athenree (Tauranga) ..	Captain Stewart ..	1.27	8	0.64 on 17th
Rotorua ..	Dr. Kenny ..	1.57	5	0.86 on 17th
Rotorua (State Forest) ..	J. E. Barrett ..	1.65	8	0.66 on 17th
Te Aroha ..	W. Hill ..	1.01	7	0.38 on 12th
(B.) NORTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE MARIA VAN DIEMEN TO CAPE EGMONT.				
Kaitia ..	W. G. Puckey ..	1.05	5	0.42 on 17th
Paihia (Russell) ..	Captain Burleigh ..	..	..	..
Awakino ..	N. A. Robison ..	1.86	10	0.57 on 14th
Te Kopua (Waikato) ..	Rev. H. Young ..	1.43	5	0.83 on 11th
Hamilton † ..	Thomas Walter ..	..	..	..
Raglan † ..	H. V. Rutherford ..	1.47	7	0.40 on 11th
New Plymouth ..	G. W. Palmer ..	2.98	23	0.90 on 17th
Upper Mangorei ..	Mrs. Monro ..	5.55	21	0.88 on 11th and 17th
Mangorei-Korito Road ..	Mrs. J. Brown ..	7.75	22	0.99 on 3rd
Inglewood ..	Miss N. Trimble ..	4.56	17	1.04 on 17th
Ngatimaru ..	R. Drummond ..	3.90	11	1.00 on 17th
(C.) SOUTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE EGMONT TO CAPE TERAWHITI.				
Mangaraka (Waitara) ..	D. Wilkie ..	..	..	..
Upper Waitotara ..	E. F. Liffiton ..	4.25	11	1.70 on 15th
Omata Valley ..	C. Forde ..	4.40	10	1.50 on 17th
Stratford ..	Miss Bobin ..	3.62	12	1.76 on 17th
Opunake ..	A. H. Moore ..	2.92	13	1.09 on 17th
Manaia ..	P. T. Peacock ..	3.16	..	..
Hawera ..	J. Livingston ..	3.04	9	1.30 on 17th
Oruamata (Patea) ..	A. S. Birch ..	3.12	18	1.01 on 17th
Kapara ..	F. R. Field ..	5.57	15	1.87 on 17th
Kaponga ..	C. Maclean ..	3.15	7	1.79 on 17th
Aramoho (Wanganui) ..	J. T. Stewart ..	4.13	17	1.08 on 17th
Wanganui ..	H. F. Seager ..	2.59	6	1.35 on 17th
Kaitoke ..	A. Wygodil ..	3.93	15	0.85 on 17th
No. 2 Line (Wanganui) ..	H. I. Jones ..	3.75	11	1.11 on 15th
Raetihi (Wanganui) ..	G. T. Murray ..	4.39	18	1.04 on 15th
Campbelltown ..	H. Sanson ..	3.92	11	0.90 on 15th
Feilding ..	Miss E. M. Goodbehere ..	3.41	19	0.80 on 15th
Te Kumu ..	G. S. Fulton ..	4.08	9	0.97 on 17th
Hunterville ..	G. L. Cook ..	4.46	16	1.20 on 15th
Erehwon ..	Mrs. Caccia-Birch ..	3.05	10	1.11 on 17th
Ruanui ..	J. F. Studholme ..	..	..	..
West Waitapu ..	J. Gurfee ..	4.85	16	1.00 on 15th
Ashhurst ..	H. Barnes ..	3.37	18	0.71 on 15th
Bull's ..	E. J. Keiller ..	4.22	15	0.84 on 15th
Raumai ..	T. K. Grieve ..	..	..	..
Palmerston North ..	C. J. Monro ..	4.85	18	1.03 on 10th
State Farm (Levin) ..	P. W. Goldsmith ..	5.37	15	1.27 on 10th
Otaki ..	M. H. Ayre ..	4.48	16	0.97 on 9th
Kereru ..	C. A. Muggleton ..	6.61	11	1.83 on 9th
Pukerua ..	W. Bell ..	..	..	..
Pahautanui ..	J. Pearce ..	4.86	12	1.25 on 18th
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALLISER.				
Waipiro ..	J. S. Dodgshun ..	..	..	..
Matahiia § ..	K. S. Williams ..	..	..	..
Tolago Bay ..	A. Reeves ..	1.07	2	0.62 on 18th
Gisborne ..	Rev. H. W. Williams ..	0.74	9	0.27 on 16th
Patutahi ..	H. N. Watson ..	0.89	7	0.59 on 19th
Maraetaha ..	J. Woodbine Johnson ..	..	..	..
Tiniroto ..	W. J. Jamieson ..	..	..	..
Waikaremoana ..	Fenton Lambert ..	1.97	7	0.66 on 23rd
Tutira Lake ..	H. Guthrie-Smith ..	1.28	4	0.65 on 16th
Hangaroa ..	H. W. Guthrie-Smith ..	..	..	..
Rakamoana ..	J. Moore ..	3.20	11	0.86 on 19th
Te Kowhai ..	J. H. Absolom ..	..	..	..
Petane ..	W. H. Smith ..	..	..	..
Napier ..	E. Lyndon ..	0.84	4	0.36 on 15th
Hastings ..	J. N. Williams ..	1.26	6	0.62 on 18th
Waimarama ..	Thomas R. Moore ..	1.16	8	0.72 on 17th
Mangakuri ..	G. C. Williams ..	1.11	7	0.50 on 17th
Te Aute ..	S. B. Ludbrook ..	1.60	7	0.62 on 17th
Maraekakaho ..	A. Lockie ..	1.53	4	0.87 on 17th
Gwavas ..	J. Nicoll ..	1.65	9	0.85 on 17th
Mount Vernon ..	J. W. Harding ..	2.03	5	1.00 on 17th
Ormondville ..	J. C. Westall ..	..	..	..
Woodville ..	J. Leithead ..	3.40	13	0.91 on 18th
Pahiatua ..	W. Tosswill ..	4.90	21	1.00 on 1st
Tane ..	H. A. Lambert ..	5.28	15	1.70 on 1st
Eketahuna ..	T. Lewis ..	..	..	..
Otahuao ..	Miss E. A. D. Bennett ..	1.90	5	0.90 on 17th
Masterton ..	J. Payton ..	1.65	12	1.01 on 17th
Black Creek ..	C. Messenger ..	5.16	13	0.78 on 22nd
Carterton ..	H. Braithwaite ..	3.03	10	1.04 on 18th
Featherston ..	G. G. Wellsted ..	3.78	5	1.00 on 18th
Summit ..	M. Cronin ..	7.74	11	2.51 on 17th
Upper Hutt ..	J. Hanning ..	4.41	14	1.30 on 18th
Taita ..	T. Mason ..	5.05	13	1.53 on 18th
Wainuiomata ..	J. Quaintance ..	6.10	10	2.05 on 18th
Lower Hutt ..	Miss Heaton ..	4.75	11	1.59 on 18th
Late returns—				
* { October ..	..	4.01	13	1.00 on 9th
† { November ..	..	1.72	9	0.47 on 22nd
‡ November ..	..	2.96	17	0.88 on 4th
§ November ..	..	3.85	10	0.90 on 4th
¶ November ..	..	2.28	11	0.54 on 4th

Rainfall for December, 1899—continued.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours).
NORTH ISLAND—continued.				
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALMER—continued.				
Petone	Sir J. Hector	4.19	12	1.20 on 17th
Wellington	Government Observer	4.47	12	1.73 on 18th
Karori	W. Edmonds	3.90	12	1.36 on 18th
SOUTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO KAIKOURA.				
Nelson	Dr. Hudson	2.39	12	0.58 on 17th
Waimea (Nelson)	W. E. Hayne .. ..	..	..	..
Motueka	G. S. Huffam	1.85	11	0.80 on 17th
Stephens Island	Lightkeeper	4.15	7	1.30 on 17th
The Brothers*	Lightkeeper	1.14	5	0.39 on 17th
Avondale Station (Blenheim)	C. de V. Teschemaker	2.05	10	0.73 on 16th
Manaroa (Pelorus Sounds)	M. C. Masefield	5.00	11	1.00 on 18th
Blenheim	N. T. Prichard	1.30	4	0.75 on 18th
Cape Campbell	Lightkeeper	0.80	2	0.60 on 17th
Flaxbourne	W. Tatchell	1.55	4	0.62 on 18th
Kekerangu	W. J. White	3.23	7	1.40 on 22nd
Mount Fyffe (Kaikoura)	J. Davidson .. ..	..	..	..
Kaikoura	Dr. J. St. C. Gunn	4.28	10	1.90 on 17th
Hanmer Plains	Miss Taylor	2.89	7	0.77 on 17th
(B.) WEST ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Farewell Spit	Lightkeeper	2.06	8	0.60 on 17th
Pakawau	T. C. V. Field	7.08	17	1.51 on 11th
Westport	H. S. Ewan	7.12	20	1.30 on 2nd
Denniston	A. B. Lindop .. ..	..	..	..
Ngahere	J. Scott	14.81	21	3.27 on 28th
3reymouth	J. Conner	15.69	21	3.85 on 2nd
Hokitika	A. D. Macfarlane	13.40	15	3.43 on 11th
Dusky Sound†	R. Henry .. ..	..	..	..
Puysegur Point‡	Lightkeeper .. ..	..	..	..
(C.) EAST ASPECT—KAIKOURA TO CAPE SAUNDERS.				
Cheviot	Dr. Campbell-Wilkinson	2.28	11	0.82 on 22nd
Waiau	F. S. Northcote	0.96	8	0.38 on 18th
Akaroa	Miss Jacobson	2.21	14	0.72 on 18th
Port Hills (Christchurch)	Miss M. L. Higgins	1.76	15	0.80 on 22nd
Christchurch	A. L. Taylor	1.97	13	0.90 on 22nd
Linwood	J. A. Biltcliff	1.91	12	0.73 on 22nd
Lincoln	F. W. Hilgendorf	1.91	12	0.58 on 22nd
Southbridge	D. McMillan	2.29	13	0.96 on 16th
Hororata	Hon. Sir J. Hall, K.C.M.G.	2.79	11	0.81 on 16th
Kapunatiki	Hon. W. Rolleston	3.01	11	1.59 on 16th
Orari	G. A. M. Macdonald	4.25	15	1.78 on 16th
Bealey	C. White	10.23	13	3.00 on 2nd
Mt. Peel	Mrs. O. Scott Thompson	3.23	14	0.94 on 22nd
Peel Forest	W. E. Barker	4.23	14	0.99 on 16th
Methven	H. G. Baker .. ..	..	..	..
Winchmore (Ashburton)	A. E. Hart	3.37	11	1.04 on 22nd
Windermere	Miss F. J. M. Wright .. ..	..	..	..
Timaru	C. H. Tripp	3.29	9	1.12 on 16th
Fairlie	D. H. Gillingham	2.26	13	0.81 on 16th
Waimate	W. S. Hamilton	3.81	14	0.94 on 16th
Geraldine	G. F. Temple	2.65	7	1.07 on 16th
Woodbury (Geraldine)	B. E. H. Tripp	4.30	8	1.82 on 17th
Windsor Park (Oamaru)	E. Menlove	4.06	16	0.80 on 29th
Oamaru	G. Anderson .. ..	..	..	..
Maheno	C. de S. Teschemaker .. ..	..	..	..
(D.) SOUTH ASPECT—CAPE SAUNDERS TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Otekaike (North Otago)	John Tait	3.83	12	0.74 on 30th
Macetown	A. C. W. Porter	5.57	12	1.90 on 5th
Queenstown	L. Hotop	5.95	12	1.25 on 1st
St. Bathans	J. Ewing	6.10	20	1.36 on 5th
Gladbrook Station	F. R. Jeffreys	3.83	17	0.81 on 5th
Roxburgh	Dr. W. J. Mullin	3.51	13	1.04 on 4th
Kokonga	R. W. Glendinning	3.97	19	0.96 on 30th
Dunedin	Government Observer	3.85	20	0.58 on 21st
Caversham	G. M. Burlinson	3.28	17	0.62 on 21st
Blackmount (the Waiau)	Mrs. J. J. McKenzie .. ..	..	..	..
Eweburn	A. W. Roberts	3.41	13	0.90 on 30th
Tapanui	J. Gleeson	5.89	15	1.75 on 4th
Kaitangata	W. M. Shore .. ..	..	..	..
Balclutha	C. C. Halliday	4.00	8	0.95 on 4th
Naseby	G. L. Stewart .. ..	..	..	..
Alexandra South	D. C. Rose	2.76	10	0.65 on 5th
Clyde	L. D. Macgeorge .. ..	..	..	..
Wyndham	W. H. Rodney .. ..	..	..	..
Dipton	R. D. MacLachlan	7.96	17	2.85 on 4th
Ratanui	J. Fraser	6.71	16	1.96 on 4th
Invercargill	J. L. Bush	11.77	20	1.98 on 4th
Otautau	N. A. McLaren	6.28	15	2.02 on 4th
Nightcaps	J. Ritchie	7.42	13	2.52 on 4th
Chatham Islands§	A. Shand	1.37	11	0.45 on 3rd
Stewart Island	W. Traill	7.61	21	2.15 on 3rd
Late returns—				
* November .. ..	.. ..	1.64	9	0.47 on 12th
† October .. ..	.. ..	23.87	27	3.97 on 19th
‡ November .. ..	.. ..	8.91	18	1.62 on 28th
§ November	7.08	22	1.80 on 3rd
¶ October	2.60	18	0.55 on 11th
§ November	3.19	20	0.60 on 1st

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Vital Statistics, December, 1899.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the month of December, 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 December, 1899.

BOROUGH.	Population of Principal Boroughs with all their Suburbs, Census, April, 1896.	ESTIMATED POPULATION JANU-ARY, 1899.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHs REGISTERED IN DECEMBER, 1899.							Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, December, 1899.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1898.
				Males.			Females.						
				Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.				
Auckland	57,616	38,100	65	2	1	22	3	..	18	46	1.21	13.73	
Birkenhead		749	3	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	2.67	6.68
Devonport		3,320	9	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.30	11.34
Newmarket		2,106	4	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	0.95	9.65
Grey Lynn		3,049	3	..	1	..	1	..	1	3	0.98	11.37	
Parnell		4,327	5	2	..	1	1	..	2	5	1.16	9.80	
Other suburbs		*
Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	51,651	89	4	2	25	5	..	23	59	1.14	12.80	
Wellington	41,758	42,512	85	8	2	15	4	3	27	59	1.39	12.51	
Karori		1,050	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.70
Melrose		2,295	4	1	..	3	..	..	2	6	2.61	7.98
Onslow		1,350	4	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	1.48	6.01
Totals Wellington and suburbs	..	47,207	96	10	2	19	4	3	29	67	1.42	11.97	
Christchurch	51,380	18,085	36	..	1	8	..	1	5	15	0.83	10.87	
Linwood		6,553	14	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	0.61	12.25
St. Albans		6,500	9	..	1	1	..	2	..	4	0.62	8.93	
Sydenham		10,987	25	1	1	..	1	..	2	5	0.46	9.99	
Woolston		2,274	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.44	11.99
Other suburbs		*
Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs	..	44,399	85	1	3	11	1	3	10	29	0.65	10.63	
Dunedin	47,280	23,500	30	2	..	14	..	..	12	28	1.19	12.73
Caversham		4,830	13	..	..	9	1	..	5	15	3.11	20.71
Maori Hill		1,608	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.62	6.34
Mornington		3,825	8	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	1.06	8.15
North-east Valley		3,575	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	0.84	8.74
Roslyn		4,329	7	..	1	2	..	..	1	4	0.92	7.49
St. Kilda		1,359	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.74	10.55
South Dunedin		5,066	18	2	..	1	..	..	2	5	0.99	8.95
West Harbour		1,400	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.71	8.58
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	..	49,492	93	4	1	29	1	..	27	62	1.25	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 363, against 357 in November—an increase of 6. The deaths in December were 217—an increase of 43 on the number in November. Of the total deaths, males contributed 111, females 106. Forty-four of the deaths were of children under 5 years of age, being 20.28 per cent. of the whole number; 30 of these were under 1 year of age.

There were 63 deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Seven men, 67, 70, 71, 77, 78, 79, 82, and six women, 65, 70, 71, 80, 82, 85, died at Auckland; five men, 67, 69 (two), 75, 77, and eleven women, 66 (three), 67, 70 (two), 72, 79, 80, 81, 83, at Wellington; two men, 76, 77, and four women, 67, 71, 76, 77, at Christchurch; twelve men, 65 (two), 66 (two), 67 (two), 69 (two), 71, 74, 78, 79, and sixteen women, 65, 66, 67, 68 (three), 69, 71, 72, 77, 79, 80 (three), 85, 97, 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 December, 1899.

CLASSES.	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	4	8	8	3	4	3	2	13	45	20.74
II.	Parasitic Diseases ..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	0.92
III.	Dietetic Diseases ..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	1.84
IV.	Constitutional Diseases	..	10	..	10	1	1	..	17	39	17.97
V.	Developmental Diseases	1	2	4	..	..	2	..	4	13	5.99
VI.	Local Diseases ..	5	23	4	32	3	11	3	21	102	47.01
VII.	Violence	1	3	..	1	..	3	..	..	8	3.69
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	4	1.84
	Totals	11	48	19	48	8	21	6	56	217	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	
Influenza	1	7	2	3	1	1	1	11	27	
Whooping-cough	3	..	2	..	..	..	5	
Diphtheria	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	
ORDER 2:—										
<i>Diarrhœal,—</i>										
Dysentery	1	..	..	1	
Diarrhœa	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	6	
ORDER 5:—										
<i>Venereal,—</i>										
Syphilis	1	1	
ORDER 6:—										
<i>Septic,—</i>										
Erysipelas	1	..	1	
Septicæmia	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
CLASS II.—PARASITIC DISEASES.										
Hydatids	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	
CLASS III.—DIETETIC DISEASES.										
Alcoholism	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	
Malnutrition	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	
CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.										
Rheumatic Fever	2	..	..	..	..	2	
Cancer	4	..	3	..	1	..	4	12	
Tabes Mesenterica	1	..	..	..	1	
Tubercular Disease of Bladder	1	1	
Tubercular Meningitis	1	1	
Phthisis	6	..	5	..	..	..	10	21	
Diabetes Mellitus	1	1	
CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.										
Premature Birth	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5	
Old Age	2	..	..	..	2	..	4	8	
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES.										
ORDER 1:—										
<i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i>										
Meningitis	1	..	..	1	
Apoplexy	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	6	
Cerebral Softening	1	1	
Hemiplegia	1	..	..	1	
Paralysis	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	
Imbecility	1	..	..	..	..	1	
Epilepsy	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	
Convulsions	2	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	6	
Bulbar Paralysis	1	..	..	..	1	1	
Cerebral Tumour, &c.	1	2	1	1	..	5	
ORDER 3:—										
<i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i>										
Heart-disease	3	..	5	..	1	..	5	14	
Fatty Heart	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	
Angina Pectoris	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
Syncope	1	..	1	..	2	..	1	5	
Degeneration of Arteries	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
ORDER 4:—										
<i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i>										
Bronchitis	1	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	10	
Pneumonia	3	..	3	1	..	..	1	8	
Congestion of Lungs	4	4	
ORDER 5:—										
<i>Diseases of Digestive System,—</i>										
Teething	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
Intestinal Hemorrhage	1	1	
Ulcer of Stomach	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
Ulcer of Bowels	1	..	1	2	
Gastro-enteritis	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	3	
Obstruction of Bowels	1	..	1	..	..	2	
Peritonitis	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	
Disease of Liver	1	..	..	..	..	1	
Tumour of Liver	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
Appendicitis	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	
Tumour of Stomach	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.	
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands,—</i>									
Lymphadenoma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Exophthalmic Goitre .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
ORDER 7:—									
<i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Bright's Disease .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Diabetes Insipidus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Calculus .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 8:—									
<i>Diseases of Reproductive System,—</i>									
Parturition (Premature) ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Abortion .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Puerperal Eclampsia .. ..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>									
Fracture of Leg .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Compression of Brain (caused by fall)	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Fall down Stairs .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Run over by Train .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Struck in Abdomen .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Injury to Hand .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Chloroform (Misadventure)	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Birth Accident	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.									
Marasmus, &c. .. .. .	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	3
Atheroma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Totals	11	48	19	48	8	21	6	56	217

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 and Christchurch, but raises it at Wellington and Dunedin.

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Mean Population.	
Auckland City	1.21
and five suburban boroughs	1.14
Wellington City	1.39
and three suburban boroughs	1.42
Christchurch City	0.83
and four suburban boroughs	0.65
Dunedin City	1.19
and eight suburban boroughs	1.25

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

Compared with December, 1898, the results are,—

Auckland and suburbs	1898	1899
Wellington and suburbs	1.06	1.14
Christchurch and suburbs	1.18	1.42
Dunedin and suburbs	0.82	0.65
	1.23	1.25

Specific Febrile and Zymotic Diseases.—Deaths in this class at the four boroughs and their suburbs again show a considerable increase, the number for December having been 45, against 23 in November, and 12 in October. Influenza is the chief cause of the high mortality during last month, which includes 12 deaths at Dunedin, 8 at Auckland, 5 at Wellington, and 2 at Christchurch, many of these being deaths of aged persons. Measles is noticed at Christchurch, 1 death; whooping-cough at the same town (2 deaths), and also at Wellington, where the deaths numbered 3. Diphtheria was fatal in one case at Auckland and another at Christchurch. The above, with 7 deaths from diarrhoeal diseases, and 3 from other zymotic complaints, form the total mortality in this class.

Parasitic Diseases.—One death occurred from hydatids at Auckland, and another at Wellington.

Dietetic Diseases.—Of 4 deaths, three were attributed to alcoholism.

Constitutional Diseases.—The deaths fell from 46 in November to 39 in December, phthisis showing 21, other tubercular diseases 2, and cancer 12.

Local Diseases.—Of 102 deaths, 22 were the result of diseases of the respiratory organs (bronchitis, pneumonia, and congestion of the lungs); 11 of these deaths are found to have been at Wellington, 5 at Auckland, 5 at Dunedin, and 1 at Christchurch. There were 26 deaths from diseases of the nervous system; 24 of the circulatory system; 21 of the digestive, 2 of the lymphatic, 4 of the urinary, and 3 of the reproductive systems.

Violent Deaths.—These numbered 8, all accidental. A stockowner died at Christchurch from a fracture, and a carpenter from compression of the brain caused by a fall. At Auckland a joiner was killed by falling down stairs, a railway employé was run over by a train; and a boy died of the effects of a blow in the abdomen. Tetanus from injury to the hand was fatal to a clerk at Wellington. A woman died from administration of chloroform at Christchurch (misadventure), and an infant from accident at birth.

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.		Diarrheal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	1	2	2	..	..	3	2	..	2
Wellington and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	3	..	8	2	..	..	3	2	..	..
Christchurch and suburban boroughs	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	2	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	2	..	4	..	..	1	4	4	..
Totals	1	2	..	..	..	2	2	..	5	11	7	5	10	10	..	..	8	9	4	2

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 December, 1899.

BOROUGHS.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1899.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN DECEMBER, 1899.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, December, 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	12	2	..	4	1	..	4	11	2.20	11.62		
New Plymouth	4,176	13	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	0.24	12.11
Napier	9,399	26	2	..	1	1	..	1	5	0.53	11.50		
Wanganui	6,362	12	..	..	1	2	..	6	9	1.42	7.22
Palmerston North	6,200	19	1	1	2	1	..	1	6	0.97	10.53		
Blenheim	2,900	10	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.34	11.24
Nelson	7,064	14	..	..	3	1	..	4	8	1.13	14.99
Greymouth	3,345	8	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	0.90	10.20
Hokitika	2,494	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13.91
Lyttelton	4,053	9	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	0.74	8.39
Timaru	5,702	6	..	..	3	2	..	..	5	0.88	10.69
Oamaru	5,372	6	..	..	4	..	..	..	4	0.74	8.99
Invercargill	5,591*	18	2	..	5	1	..	4	12	2.15	9.57		

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 13th January, 1900.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR DECEMBER, 1899.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	LINCOLN, CANTERBURY.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in shade for month*	64.0	59.0	..	55.1
Average same month previous years* ..	65.2	60.8	60.7	56.0
Maximum Temperature in shade, and date*	78.0 on 29th	73.0 on 31st	..	75.0 on 25th
Minimum Temperature in shade, and date*	53.5 on 18th	44.0 on 18th	..	41.0 on 19th
Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* ..	141.0 on 29th	130.0 on 9th, 12th, 21st, 26th, 27th	..	108.0 on 11th
Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date*	45.0 on 6th	35.0 on 6th	..	35.0 on 20th
Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) ..	73	69	..	75
Average same month previous years ..	72	73	71	72
Total Rainfall, in inches	0.340	4.478	1.915	3.856
Average same month previous years ..	3.225	3.807	1.640	3.156
Number of Days of Rain	5	12	12	20
Average same month previous years ..	10	10	8	14

* 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, 12th January, 1900.

JAMES HECTOR,
Director.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that SOPHIA ANN WADEL, of Auckland, Widow, Baker, was this day adjudged bankrupt on creditors' petition; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1900, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 18th December, 1899.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS GRANT RITCHIE, of Wellington, Auctioneer and Produce Merchant, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 22nd day of January, 1900, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 15th January, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES CHRISTOPHER MILES, of Palmerston North, Publican, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, the 24th day of January, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock. Dated this 15th day of January, 1900.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.

DIVIDENDS on all proved and admitted claims are now payable at the Deputy Official Assignee's Office, Tyne Street, Oamaru, in the following estates:—

In re Eustace L. Chaffey, Tokarahi, Farmer, first, of 10d. in the pound.

In re James E. Willcock, Ardgowan, Farmer, first, of 4s. in the pound.

CHAS. W. COOKE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD CHARLES ROSS, of Halfway Bush, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 19th day of January, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 13th January, 1900.

In the Supreme Court of New Zealand, Otago and Southland District.

In the matter of the Estate of ALFRED WILLIAM LEGG, the elder, late of Balclutha, Blacksmith, deceased; and in the matter of "The Administration Act 1879 Amendment Act, 1888."

NOTICE is hereby given that, by order of the above honourable Court dated the 19th day of December, 1899, I, the Official Assignee in Bankruptcy for the Otago and Southland District, was appointed administrator of the estate; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of January, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 13th January, 1900.

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

Name of company: Keep-it-Dark Quartz-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 22nd December, 1873; 2nd March, 1874.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; William Hindmarsh.

Nominal capital: £20,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £20,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,208 6s. 8d.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £10,000, amount deemed paid up on the 20,000 shares at registration.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 20,000.

Number of shares allotted: 20,000.

Amount paid per share: 16s. 2½d. (including the 10s. deemed paid up at registration).

Amount called up per share: 6s. 2½d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 20.

Present number of shareholders: 52.

Number of men employed by company: 44.

Quantity and value of gold produced during year: 1,635 oz. 9 dwt. 13 gr.; £6,563 6s. 9d.

Quantity and value of gold by cyanide treatment for seven months: 1,147 oz. 3 dwt. 20 gr.; £3,680 15s. 4d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced from registration: 68,972 oz. 16 dwt. 20 gr.; £268,805 10s.

Total quantity and value of gold produced by cyanide treatment: 1,147 oz. 3 dwt. 20 gr.; £3,680 15s. 4d.

Total amount received for crushing, sales, &c.: £3,680 15s. 4d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £10,734 15s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £301,230 19s. 1d. (including dividends).

Total amount of dividends declared: £113,416 13s. 4d.

Total amount of dividends paid: £113,416 13s. 4d.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,202 6s. 2d.

I, William Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the Keep-it-Dark Quartz-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 20th day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HINDMARSH,
Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 11th day of January, 1900, before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 43

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: No. 2 Dark Gold-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 25th July, 1898; 26th August, 1898.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; William Hindmarsh.

Nominal capital: £6,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £5,071 5s.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £655 17s. 2d.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.

Number of shares allotted: 20,285.

Amount paid per share: 8d.

Amount called up per share: 8d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £4 11s. 8d.

Number of shares forfeited during year: 2,275.

Number of forfeited shares sold during year, and money received for same: 2,275; £7 18s. 5d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 35.

Present number of shareholders: 35.

Number of men employed by company: 2.

Quantity and value of gold produced during year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold produced from registration: 4 oz. 4 dwt. 17 gr.; £16 18s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £379 6s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration: £707 11s. 1d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £4 11s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £4 11s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):
 £36 Os. 1d.

I, William Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the No. 2 Dark Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HINDMARSH,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 11th day of January, 1900,
 before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 44

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sailors' Gully (Waitahuna) Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd June, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lawrence; Alfred Crooke, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £100.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,800; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,800.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,000.
 Amount paid per share: 10s.
 Amount called up per share: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 9.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Gold, 381 oz. 12 dwt. 19 gr.; £1,197 2s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Gold, 820 oz. 8 dwt. 23 gr.; £2,896 19s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £776 8s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,019 13s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £100.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £100.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £35 1s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.
 Direct liabilities, approximately: £71.

I, Alfred Crooke, of Lawrence, in the Provincial District of Otago, in the Colony of New Zealand, the Secretary of the Sailors' Gully (Waitahuna) Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ALFRED CROOKE,
 Secretary.

Declared at Lawrence, this 11th day of January, 1900,
 before me—David McIntosh, J.P. 40

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Key Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st September.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lawrence; Alfred Crooke, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £250.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,750; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,750.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,000.

Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 10.
 Present number of shareholders: 15.
 Number of men employed by company: 2 to 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Gold, 70 oz. 17 dwt. 15 gr.; £272 17s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Gold, 70 oz. 17 dwt. 15 gr.; £272 17s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £929 13s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,134 13s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.
 Direct liabilities, approximately: £1,100.

I, Alfred Crooke, of Lawrence, in the Provincial District of Otago, in the Colony of New Zealand, the Secretary of the Golden Key Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ALFRED CROOKE,
 Secretary.

Declared at Lawrence, this 11th day of January, 1900,
 before me—David McIntosh, J.P. 41

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Maritana Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd July, 1898; 26th August, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; William Hindmarsh.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £90 4s. 7d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1½d.
 Amount called up per share: 1½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £5 Os. 5d.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: 6,250.
 Number of forfeited shares sold during year, and money received for same: 6,250; nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 14.
 Present number of shareholders: 15.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced during year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £43 10s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £84 12s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £5 12s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £5 Os. 5d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £5 Os. 5d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Hindmarsh, of Reefton, the Manager of the Maritana Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HINDMARSH,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 11th day of January, 1900,
 before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 42

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Moanatairi Gold-mining Company (Limited), (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").

When formed, and date of registration: 5th October, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Registered office, Queen Street, Auckland; Henry A. Gordon, James Park.

Where mine is situate: Thames Goldfield.

Nominal capital: £300,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £130,723.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: £3,328 7s.

Price paid to vendors of mine—

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

(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £20,150 8s. paid up.

(c.) In cash: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 300,000.

Number of shares on Colonial Register: 25,188.

Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): 11,379 shares, 18s.; 13,809 shares, 17s.

Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): 2s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): 13,809 shares; £690 9s.

Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.

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

Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: 182.

Number of men employed by company in colony: 60.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Gold, 979 oz. 13½ dwt.; value, £2,604 13s. 5d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony since registration: £4,189 0s. 2d.

Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £293 18s. 11d.

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

Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of liabilities of company in colony: £1,081 4s. 10d.

I, Henry Andrew Gordon, of Auckland, the Attorney of the New Moanatairi Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 16th day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

HENRY A. GORDON,
Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 9th day of January, 1900, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 37

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: May Queen Hauraki (Limited), (being a foreign company as defined by section 2 of "The Mining Companies Acts Amendment Act, 1897").

When formed, and date of registration: 2nd July, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney or Attorneys: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland; Henry A. Gordon, James Park.

Where mine is situate: Thames Goldfield.

Nominal capital: £240,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £240,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: £19,752 17s. 8d.

Price paid to vendors of mine—

(a.) In fully paid-up shares: £125,500.

(b.) In partly paid-up shares, credited as £1 paid up: Nil.

(c.) In cash: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 240,000.

Number of shares on Colonial Register: 94,500.

Amount paid per share (Colonial Register): £1.

Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): Nil.

Number of shares per shareholder at time of registration of company: 7.

Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: 503.

Number and amount of calls in arrear (Colonial Register): Nil.

Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.

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

Number of men employed by company in colony: 50.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: 2,097 oz. 8 dwt.; value, £5,633 13s. 11d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: Gold, 5,281 oz. 17 dwt.; value, £14,355 7s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement: £10,140 1s. 11d.

Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £35,128 14s. 11d.

Total amount of dividends paid in colony: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's in colony: £1,245 1s. 7d.

Amount of cash in hand in colony: Nil.

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

Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: £329 10s. 9d.

I, Henry Andrew Gordon, of Auckland, the Attorney of the May Queen Hauraki (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 16th day of December, 1899, being the date of the last balance-sheet; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

HENRY A. GORDON,
Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 9th day of January, 1900, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 38

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Achilles Gold-mines (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 22nd April, 1898.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand; James Spiers Cherry.

Nominal capital: £92,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £85,747 7s. 6d.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £34,167 9s. 6d. (inclusive of 17s. 6d. paid on seven subscribers' shares, at 2s. 6d. each).

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £51,447 18s., being 1s. 6d. per share credited as paid up on 685,972 shares.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 736,000.

Number of shares allotted: 685,979.

Amount paid per share: 2s. credited as paid, leaving 6d. per share to be called up.

Amount called up per share: Nil.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: On 5,280 shares; total amount, £132.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 1,634.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £698 0s. 9d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

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

Total expenditure since registration: £36,839 13s. 1d.

I, James Spiers Cherry, of Bullendale, in the Provincial District of Otago, New Zealand, Superintendent of the Achilles Gold-mines (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JAS. S. CHERRY,
Superintendent.

Declared at Queenstown, in the Provincial District of Otago, this 5th day of January, 1900, before me—F. W. F. Geisow, J.P. 39

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 28th October, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Burton.

Nominal capital: £5,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,800.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £418 15s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,200; nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,200.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 1,700.
 Amount paid per share (less arrears): 10s.
 Amount called up per share, and due: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £443 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 20.
 Present number of shareholders: 20.
 Number of men employed by company: None.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £329 17s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £329 17s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £391 10s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £26 15s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,800 (approximate).

I, William Burton, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Gleniti Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM BURTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 10th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Jabez Burton, J.P. 51

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Belt Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th August, 1899; 6th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £12,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,050.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,503 2s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £4,125; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £4,125.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,400.
 Amount paid per share: 9d. on 47,400 shares.
 Amount called up per share: 9d. on 47,400 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 15,700.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 101.
 Present number of shareholders: 89.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,839 9s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £65 12s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £447 14s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Belt Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the

31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 53

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th January, 1895; 22nd February, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,916 13s. 4d., including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £416 13s. 4d.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £416 13s. 4d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 110,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 2d., and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 21,773.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 21,773; £134 7s. 1d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 250.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 43 oz. 12 dwt.; £84 11s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,280 8s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £6,693 1s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £155 4s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1 0s. 1d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 54

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th February, 1895; 30th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £18,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,839 7s. 6d., including £400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £3,312 10s.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,312 10s.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s. 6d., and also equivalent to £400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: 2s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £149; £623 2s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 450.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 450; £8 2s. 5d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 56.
 Present number of shareholders: 165.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 836oz. 7dwt.; £777 2s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 862oz. 13dwt.; £792 0s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,717 4s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,977 18s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: 11s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £13 8s. 9d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £628 2s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £623 2s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,988 11s. 2d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 55

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Whau Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th March, 1895; 30th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £18,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £18,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,798 19s. 6d., including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,354 3s. 4d.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,354 3s. 4d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 125,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 125,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 1d., and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 121; £405 11s. 5d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 48,067.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 24,554; £88 19s. 11d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 36.
 Present number of shareholders: 134.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 40oz. 14dwt.; £108 15s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £454 7s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,365 14s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £64 6s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £12 15s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £405 11s. 5d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £405 11s. 5d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £64 6s. 8d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the New Whau Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the

31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 56

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Barrier Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th December, 1899; 11th December, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £91,050.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £91,050; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £91,050.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 91,050.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 85.
 Present number of shareholders: 86.
 Number of men employed by company: 39.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,462 12s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,745 1s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £11,840 7s. 8d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Secretary of the Barrier Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 57

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hauraki No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 12th June, 1895; registered, 10th July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: It is in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,380 3s., including £1,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 8d., and also equivalent to £1,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 8d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: 65,301.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 6,890; £142 9s. 7d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 26.
 Present number of shareholders: 29.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £358 14s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £6,411 18s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £68 6s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Hauraki No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 58

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Beach United Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th June, 1898; 12th October, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: Protected, but working.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Roderick McDonald Scott.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £562 2s.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £562 2s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 140,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 127,500.
 Amount paid on 20,000 shares, at 6d. per share: £500.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 99.
 Present number of shareholders: 117.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,172 10s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,600 0s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £2 2s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £110 12s. 2d.

I, Roderick McDonald Scott, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Beach United Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. McDONALD SCOTT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 11th day of January, 1900, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 62

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Standard Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in operation; in course of construction.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Thomas Smith Paterson, of Dunedin, Secretary.
 Claim situated: On Clutha River, Otago.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,950.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 1,500 shares fully paid up to £1 each.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000, of £1.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £993 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received; for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 105.
 Present number of shareholders: 107.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £307 19s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £307 19s. 1d.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £648 5s. 11d.

I, Thomas Smith Paterson, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Golden Standard Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS SMITH PATERSON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 10th day of January, 1900, before me—F. H. Morice, J.P. 63

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Welcome Find Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st April, 1895; 18th April, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan jun.
 Nominal capital: £17,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £17,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £10,576 2s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 3s. 10d.
 Amount called up per share: 3s. 10d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 40,685.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 2,050; £25 12s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 38.
 Present number of shareholders: 99.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 58 oz. 9 dwt.; £164 2s. 11d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 825 oz. 9 dwt.; £2,350 9s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £377 4s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £12,936 11s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £14 8s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 2s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £93 4s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Secretary of the Welcome Find Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1900,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 59

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Broken Hill Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 8th January, 1895; 16th January, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: Protected, but working.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Roderick McDonald Scott.
Nominal capital: £15,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £13,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,375.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
Number of shares allotted: 90,000.
Amount paid per share: 6½d.
Amount called up per share: 6½d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 8; £242 4s. 4d.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 27.
Present number of shareholders: 197.
Number of men employed by company: 2.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £383 17s. 6d.
Total expenditure since registration: £2,738 2s. 5d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: 4s. 2d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £242 4s. 4d.
Amount of debts considered good: £242 4s. 4d.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £77 18s. 1d.

I, Roderick McDonald Scott, of Auckland, Manager of the Broken Hill Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. McDONALD SCOTT,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 11th day of January, 1900,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 60

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Maratoto Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 7th September, 1898; 18th September, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Roderick McDonald Scott.
Nominal capital: £5,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £250.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £249 19s. 6d.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
Number of shares allotted: 79,998.
Amount paid per share: 6d.
Amount called up per share: 6d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £49 19s. 6d.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 29.
Present number of shareholders: 100.
Number of men employed by company: 15.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,332 8s. 10d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,700.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £49 19s. 6d.
Amount of debts considered good: £49 19s. 6d.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £337 16s. 8d.

I, Roderick McDonald Scott, of Auckland, the Manager of the Maratoto Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. McDONALD SCOTT,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 11th day of January, 1900,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 61

THE GERMAN FLAT HYDRAULIC SLUICING COMPANY (LIMITED).

Lawrence, 15th January, 1900.

AT a special meeting of the shareholders in the above company, held on Saturday, the 13th January, 1900, it was unanimously resolved that the affairs of the company be wound up voluntarily, and HERBERT HASTINGS LEARY, in conjunction with ROBERT McKEICH and CHARLES SWANWICK, act as Liquidators.

HERBERT H. LEARY,
Secretary.

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THE GOLDEN BLOCKS (TAITAPU), LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the place of business in New Zealand of the above-named company is at the office of Messrs. Fell and Atkinson, in Hardy Street, in the City of Nelson.

CHARLES Y. FELL,
15 Attorney for the Golden Blocks (Taitapu), Limited.

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

3606. JAMES ROBERTSON.—Part of Allotments 16 and 17, Section 38, City of Auckland, containing 1 rood and 1 perch. Occupied by Hannah Pugh.

3622. ANN ELIZABETH JANE GARLICK.—Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 18, 19, 20, and part of Lot 21, of Allotment 40, Parish of Titirangi, containing 9 acres 1 rood 14 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 13th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
45 District Land Registrar.

WHEREAS satisfactory evidence has been lodged with me of the loss of the Crown grant for Section 75, Block I., Moeraki District, comprised in Register-book, Vol. lxxix., folio 145, the registered proprietor whereof is JOSEPH HABERFIELD, a half-caste, now deceased: I hereby give notice that I shall issue a provisional certificate of title for the said land at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of publication hereof.

Dated at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1900.

H. TURTON,
34 District Land Registrar.

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

585. HENRY LESLIE MICHEL, THOMAS HENRY GILL, FREDERICK KING, and JAMES ATKINSON.—9 perches, being Section 104 and part of Section 106, Town of Hokitika. Occupied by William Perry and Co., D. McBrearty, and by the Applicants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 9th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Hokitika.

VICTOR GRACE DAY,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 19th day of February, 1900.

2954. THOMAS YOUNG.—9 perches, part Section 223, City of Wellington. Occupied by Wing Kee.

2956. JAMES JOSEPH DEVINE and ANDREW WYLLIE.—1 acre, Section 476, City of Wellington. Occupied by weekly tenants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 17th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

WM. STUART,
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.

8684. ELIZABETH DRABBLE.—2 acres 2 roods, part of Rural Section 834, Block XI., Rangiora Survey District, Occupied by Applicant.

8715. CLEMENT LESTER WIGGINS.—7 acres 3 roods 18 perches, parts of Rural Section 144, Borough of Sumner. In occupation of the Crown.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 16th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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

Section 38, Block XIII., District of Glenkenich.—ROBERT WHITE, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4334.

Part of Sections 70 and 71, Block XII., Town of Dunedin.—JAMES LISTON, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4335.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 15th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 19th day of February, 1900.

1214. Applicant: THOMAS PEDDIE.—8 acres 2 roods 20 perches, part of Suburban Sections 46, 47, 54, and 55, Meeanee. In Applicant's occupation.

1217. Applicant: NELSON BROTHERS (LIMITED).—17 acres 2 roods, part of Block 90, Puketapu District. In occupation of John Herbert Absalom.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 15th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Napier.

THOS. HALL,
District Land Registrar.

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APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title for Lot 54 on deposited Plan No. 58 of the Township of Powelltown, being part of Section 32, Block XIX., Invercargill Hundred, containing 2 roods 4 perches, and registered in the name of MICHAEL CARROLL in Register-book, Vol. xxx., folio 79, as proprietor, and proof of the loss of the original certificate of

title having been furnished, I hereby give notice that I will issue such provisional certificate of title at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the Gazette containing this notice.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned (trading as butchers at Halcombe under the name of "E. H. Diffeys"), has been dissolved by mutual consent as from the 1st day of January instant. All moneys owing to and by the late firm will be received and discharged by the said E. H. DIFFEY, who will henceforth continue to carry on the said business on his own account.

Dated this 12th day of January, 1900.

OWEN C. PLEASANTS,
EDWARD H. DIFFEY.

Witness to signatures—Arthur G. Carty, Law Clerk, Feilding. 35

COPY OF REGISTER OF UNCLAIMED MONEYS held by the Bank of Australasia on 1st January, 1900.

Name, Occupation, and Last Known Address.	Amount.	Description of Unclaimed Money.	Date of Last Claim or Last Transaction.
Anderson, J. A., Carter, Foxton	£ s. d. 0 4 11	Current account	1893. 27 Jun.
Andrews, J. G., Cadet, Foxton	1 4 9	Ditto	2 Aug.
Breen, James, Contractor, Otaki	0 15 10	"	15 Sept.
Brown, Neil Robert, Labourer, Lumsden	0 14 7	"	6 Mar.
Burr, Amos and J. V., Farmers, Foxton	0 13 9	"	19 Apl.
Burr, J. V., Farmer, Motoua	1 9 0	"	29 May. 1892.
Coley, Mrs. Rebecca, Foxton	2 4 4	"	27 Oct.
Crofts, Mrs. Agnes, Widow, Tayfield	1 2 2	"	21 Dec.
Elder, Mrs. Eliza Bruce (deceased), Waikane	5 11 1	"	16 Nov. 1893.
Green, Alfred, Farmer, Bunnythorpe	2 4 3	"	23 May.
Hawley and Cole, Photographers, Napier	2 6 3	"	14 Oct.
Hemery, William Clement, Clerk, Wellington	0 1 1	"	13 Dec.
Hill, Silvanus Cotterell, Clerk, Wellington	0 3 8	"	13 Dec.
McLennan (R. S. Account), Roderick, Station-manager, Lumsden	2 6 2	"	21 Aug.
Matheson, David, Labourer, Gore	0 4 6	"	5 Apl. 1892.
Pike, Hugh Frederick, Clerk, Wellington	0 4 0	"	28 Nov. 1893.
Rother, Louis, Agent, Wellington	0 7 11	"	2 Oct.
Sinclair, Angus, Farmer, Burnside	2 6 7	"	10 Jan.
Smith, George Edward, Brewer, Dunedin	1 17 0	"	24 July.
Topham, Charles, Farmer, Kaponga	3 9 1	"	16 Oct.
White, Frederick Edward, Chemist, Palmerston N.	0 1 9	"	14 Nov.
Wilkie, Robert, & McKenzie, Hugh, Contractors, Waitotara	2 3 2	"	13 Feb.

H. K. BETHUNE,
Manager.

Wellington, 11th January, 1900.

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TE AROHA BOROUGH.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Te Aroha Borough Council propose to take, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," certain land for the construction of Waterworks, and water-rights for the supply of water, for the inhabitants of the Borough of Te Aroha: viz., (1) All that parcel of land, in area approximately 6 acres and 2 roods, being a portion of Section No. 17D, situated in Block IX. of the Aroha Survey District; and (2) all that the right to impound, divert, and use the waters of the Tutumangeo and Tutumangeo Branch Streams traversing the said parcel of land: all as the said parcel of land and water-right are more particularly delineated upon a plan deposited in the office at Te Aroha of the said Borough Council, where such plan is now open for inspection by all persons during reasonable hours.

And notice is hereby further given that all persons affected are required to set forth in writing any well-grounded objections which they may have to the execution of the said works or to the taking of said land and water-right, and to send such writing within forty days from the date hereof to the said Te Aroha Borough Council at their office at Te Aroha.

Dated at Te Aroha, this 15th day of January, 1900.

WM. HILL.
Town Clerk.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882"; and in the matter of William Strachan (Limited).

AT an extraordinary general meeting of the above company, duly convened, and held at Dunedin on the 28th day of November, 1899, the following special resolution was duly passed, and at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting of the members of the said company, also duly convened, and held at the same place on the 15th day of December, 1899, the following resolution was duly confirmed:—

"That the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of 'The Companies Act, 1882,' and the Acts amending the same; and that Edward Withers, of Dunedin, accountant, and Charles John Ronaldson, of Dunedin, accountant, be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purposes of such winding-up."

Dated this 16th day of January, 1900.

W. C. MACGREGOR,
Solicitor in the winding-up.

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BOROUGH OF WOOLSTON.

"THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Woolston intend to take, under the said Act, all that parcel of land in the said borough, being part of R.S. 464, belonging to the "Dixon Estate," adjoining the Canal Reserve, containing 1 rood 5½ perches, more or less, for the purposes of a street in continuation of Tilford Street to the Canal Reserve Road.

A plan showing the land proposed to be taken may be inspected at the Woolston Borough Council Chambers, in the said borough.

All persons having any objections to the road, or the taking of the said land, must set forth in writing such objections, and send the same to the said Council, at their Chambers, before Saturday, the 17th day of February, 1900.

Dated at Woolston, this 8th day of January, 1900.

WM. WILLS,
Town Clerk.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

I, FRANCIS SIDNEY, hereby notify that I have this day withdrawn from the firm of Francis Sidney and Co., Auctioneers, Wellington, New Zealand. I have disposed of the business to Mr. ROBERT PEARSON, formerly of Otago, by whom the business will be carried on on his own account under the same style as heretofore.

FRANCIS SIDNEY.
Wellington, New Zealand, 1st January, 1900. 31

IN the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884"; and in the matter of Melville's New Zealand Corporation (Limited).—Notice is hereby given that the above-named company, incorporated in England under the provisions of the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1893, intends to cease to

carry on business in the Colony of New Zealand at the expiration of three months from the 31st day of December, 1899.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1899.

MELVILLE'S NEW ZEALAND CORPORATION
82 (LIMITED), by its Attorney, S. SEVERIN SØRENSEN.

I, WILLIAM EDWARD REDMAN, Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1886, Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1886, now residing in Wellington, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 22nd February next to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand, and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar-General.

WILLIAM EDWARD REDMAN.

Dated at Wellington,
19th January, 1900. 66

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