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Taking Land for a Road through Private Land, Section 52, Block XIV., Pohangina Survey District.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 3 16	52	XIV.	Pohangina	164 1f	Red.

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Notice of Intention to define the Purpose of a Reserve in the Canterbury Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the fifth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is, amongst other things, enacted that, if there shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be any doubt or uncertainty as to the purpose for which a reserve was set apart, he may by notice gazetted define such purpose or purposes as to either the whole or any part of such reserve, subject to the action of the General Assembly, as provided in the seventh section of the said Act:

And whereas the land described in the Schedule hereto was reserved by the Superintendent of Canterbury for public purposes:

And whereas it is expedient to define the specific purpose for which such land shall hereafter be set apart:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," aforesaid, declare my intention to define the specific purpose of the reserve described in the Schedule hereto to be a reserve for a sanctuary for native water-fowl.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 31 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 1873. Bounded towards the north-east generally by Rural Section No. 3744; towards the south-east by Reserve No. 898; towards the south-west by a public road; and towards the north-west generally by Rural Sections Nos. 826, 1485, and 3660: excepting from the above-described area Reserve No. 873a.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

ERRATUM.—In *New Zealand Gazette* No. 100, of the 1st December, 1899, page 2202, for "Joseph Taylor Wood," appointed Lieutenant, Timaru Rifle Volunteers, read "Robert Taylor Wood."

Notifying Lands in Wellington 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 Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand nine hundred, as the time at which the land enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the price at which the said land shall be sold as that mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Kopuaranga Survey District, Wairarapa North County.

SECTION 6, Block XII., 83 acres; total upset price, £41 10s.

This section is situated about sixteen miles from Masterton, in the Upper Taueru District, and adjoins the Te

Pohue Block. The access is by unformed road from Bideford Road, at a point about one mile and a half south of Bideford.

The section is partly covered with stunted fern and manuka scrub, with a patch of light bush in the centre and gullies. The soil is of inferior quality, resting on sandstone formation. The forest is light mixed bush, with no trees of any value, comprising a small quantity of tawa, birch, and rimu, with the usual undergrowth of stunted scrub and supplejacks.

The land is indifferently watered by a small stream.

Its elevation ranges from about 650 ft. to 700 ft. above sea-level.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.		
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	
Manukau	Waipipi Parish	94	..	A. R. P. £ s. d. £ s. d.	167 2 14	0 12 0	100 16 0	0 7 2	2 10 5	0 5 7 6	2 0 4
		205A, 206	..	104 3 0	0 12 0	63 0 0	0 7 2	1 11 6	0 5 7 6	1 5 3	
		207	..	86 2 0	0 12 0	52 4 0	0 7 2	1 6 1	0 5 7 6	1 0 11	
		208	..	74 1 0	0 12 0	44 8 0	0 7 2	1 2 3	0 5 7 6	0 17 9	
		209	..	42 0 21	0 12 0	25 4 0	0 7 2	0 12 7	0 5 7 6	0 10 1	
"	"	210	..	111 2 4	0 12 0	67 4 0	0 7 2	1 13 7	0 5 7 6	1 6 11	

All open lands, with a good deal of fertile swamp in each section. Situated next Kohokohe Settlement, one mile from Waipipi wharf, and in a well-sheltered basin.

Waikato | Koheroa Parish | 164 | .. | 454 0 0 | 0 6 0 | 136 4 0 | 0 3 6 | 3 8 1 | 0 2 8 8 | 2 14 6
Open fern and tea-tree land with about 15 acres swamp. Six miles from Maungatawhiri Valley Post-office.

Bay of P'ds | Hukerenui .. | 21 | IX. | 238 2 32 | 0 8 0 | 95 12 0 | 0 4 | 2 7 9 | 0 3 8 4 | 1 18 3
Heavy forest land; fairly good soil. Access by road from Towai or Hikurangi, distant eleven miles.

Rotorua | Rotorua .. | 3A | X. | 200 0 0 | 0 15 0 | 150 0 0 | 0 9 | 3 15 0 | 0 7 2 | 3 0 0
Subject to £35 for clearing and grassing. The section comprises open and mixed-forest land; good soil and well watered. About six miles from Ngongotaha Railway-station.

Hokianga | Herekino .. | 3 | II. | 50 0 0 | 0 10 0 | 25 0 0 | 0 6 | 0 12 6 | 0 4 8 | 0 10 0
" " .. | 4 | " | 49 3 5 | 0 10 0 | 25 0 0 | 0 6 | 0 12 6 | 0 4 8 | 0 10 0
" " .. | 5 | " | 39 2 24 | 0 10 0 | 20 0 0 | 0 6 | 0 10 0 | 0 4 8 | 0 8 0

Section 5 subject to £17 10s. for fencing and grassing (8 acres). Section 5, undulating, good land, bush and open. Section 3, nearly all mixed-forest land, fair quality. Section 4, good soil, part bush. All three sections partly improved, and situated at Herekino Settlement.

Mangonui | Mangonui Par. | 145 | .. | 177 0 0 | 0 15 0 | 132 15 0 | 0 9 | 3 6 5 | 0 7 2 | 2 13 2
Open undulating land; fern and tea-tree, with small patches of bush. The land is Crown portion of the Aputerewa Block, on the harbour. Situated one mile and a half from Mangonui wharf.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Surveyed 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.							
				A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.				
Stratford ..	Mahoe ..	1	II.	235	0	0	15	0	176	5	0	0	9	4	8	2	0	7	2	3	10	6
" ..	" ..	2	"	223	0	0	12	6	139	7	6	0	7	3	9	9	0	6	0	2	15	9
" ..	" ..	3	"	236	3	0	12	6	147	19	5	0	7	3	14	0	0	6	0	2	19	3
" ..	" ..	5	"	455	2	0	12	6	284	13	9	0	7	7	2	5	0	6	0	5	14	0
" ..	" ..	6	"	332	2	0	12	6	207	16	3	0	7	5	4	0	0	6	0	4	3	2
" ..	" ..	7	"	222	0	0	12	6	138	15	0	0	7	3	9	5	0	6	0	2	15	6

All undulating forest country, consisting of spurs rising from the Poarangi Stream, the ridges being from 300 ft. to 800 ft. above the valleys. The formation is papa, and well watered. The forest is inclined to be heavy, consisting of rata, rimu, kahikatea, pukatea, ta-wa, hinau, and the usual undergrowth. In Section 5 the spurs rise to 900 ft., and are more or less broken. There are patches of black-birch in the back portions of the block. The distance from Stratford is about forty-four miles, forty-two of which, *vid* Ohura Road, will be by a dray-road, partly metalled; the remaining two miles by the Whangamomona Road, partly opened for horse traffic.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY 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.									
				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.					
Cook ..	Whangara ..	1	X.	487	0	0	1	11	6	767	0	6	1	6	9	19	3	6	1	3	12	15	6	10
				About 200 acres bush on the land, the remainder being open scrub, fern, or grass country, which will carry about 400 sheep in its present state. It has frontage on to the Waiomoko Road.																				
Cook ..	Whangara ..	2	X.	490	0	0	1	11	6	771	15	0	1	6	9	19	6	0	1	3	12	15	8	8
				About 400 acres bush, the balance being open fern, scrub, and grass land, which will now carry about 100 sheep. It fronts the Pateika Road, which is not yet formed, and is two miles from the Whangara formed road.																				
Cook ..	Whangara ..	1	IX.	493	0	0	1	14	0	838	2	0	1	8	4	20	19	1	1	4	32	16	15	3
				About 450 acres good bush, the balance open scrub, fern, and grass country. Frontage on the Tangamatai cleared road. This section has a number of good puriri-trees on it.																				
Cook ..	Whangara ..	3	X.	552	0	0	1	11	6	869	8	0	1	6	9	21	14	9	1	3	12	17	7	9
				About 200 acres first-class bush, containing some good puriri timber, the remainder being open fern, scrub, and grass country, which will carry 400 sheep at present. It fronts the Pateika Road (not yet cleared) about a mile, and the Tangamatai Road.																				
Cook ..	Whangara ..	4	X.	531	0	0	1	1	6	570	16	6	1	0	9	14	5	5	0	10	32	11	8	4
				Open fern and scrub country, with some small patches of bush. There are some low downs of poor soil, while the valleys contain flats with soil of good quality. At present 500 sheep can be carried on the section. Frontage on the Pateika and Tangamatai Roads.																				
Cook ..	Whangara ..	1	XIII.	410	0	0	1	4	0	492	0	0	1	2	4	12	6	0	0	11	52	9	16	10
				About 150 acres of bush, the balance open fern, scrub, and grass, at present able to carry 200 sheep. Frontage on the Tangamatai Road.																				
Cook ..	Whangara ..	1	XIV.	354	0	0	2	1	6	734	11	0	2	0	9	18	7	3	1	7	92	14	13	10
				All scrub, fern, and grass. Nearly half of this section comprises flats of very good soil, and almost all of it can be ploughed. At present about 600 sheep can be carried. Frontage on the Tangamatai Road.																				

General Description.

The block comprises first-class pastoral country, well adapted for sheep-grazing, whilst a considerable area is suitable for agriculture. The timber on the sections is mostly kohekohe (cedar), tawa, and a fair proportion of puriri—sufficient for fencing purposes. The scrub is manuka and tauhinau. The altitude varies from 80 ft. to 950 ft. above sea-level, only the first section, however, being over 750 ft. The land is of good quality generally, and fairly well watered, and is accessible from Gisborne (distant fourteen to eighteen miles) by the coast-road, along which drays can be taken. The nearest post-and-telegraph station is Pakarae, on the coast, distant about three miles.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Surveyed 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.	
				A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Wairarapa S.	{ Wainui- oru	{ 286A, Pt. 1, 287	{ X., XI.	476 2 0	0 7 6	178 13 8	0 4 5	4 9 5	0 3 6	3 11 6	
	Weighted with £50 for improvements.										
Wairarapa S.	{ Wainui- oru	{ Pts. 1 & 2, 286	{ X.	682 0 0	0 7 6	255 15 0	0 4 5	6 7 11	0 3 6	5 2 4	
	Weighted with £1,141 6s. for improvements.										

These allotments are situated about four miles east of the Gladstone-East Coast Road, from which there is a rough bridle-track partly formed. The access is from Carterton Railway-station, which is about twenty-nine miles distant—from Carterton to Gladstone by eight miles of coach-road, from Gladstone to Peterkin's by seventeen miles of dray-road, and thence to the sections by the Rocky Hill Road, two miles of which is a rough stock-track, and the remaining two miles an unformed surveyed road. The allotments comprise hilly land with rounded ridges and broken faces, covered with heavy mixed bush except where felled and grassed. The quality of the soil is from poor to good, resting on volcanic (rotten rock) formation. The forest is of a mixed nature, comprising rimu, totara, matai, tawa, &c., with a thick undergrowth of supplejacks, ferns, karamu, &c. Both allotments are well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from 1,000 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level. The general quality of the sections is fairly good for pastoral purposes. The improvements on Section 286A and Part 1 of 287 comprise 30 acres felled, of which 20 acres have been grassed, and are valued at £50. The improvements on Parts 1 and 2 of Section 286 comprise 600 acres felled and grassed, 72 chains of fencing, but 12 ft. by 18 ft., and sheep-yards: total value, £1,141 6s.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.
WELLINGTON 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.	
<i>Coonor Block.</i>											
Pahiatua ..	Makuri ..	14	VII.	A. R. P. s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
				200 0 0 | 27 6	275 0 0	1 4 5	6 17 6	1 1 2	5 10 0		
Weighted with £16 12s. 6d. for improvements.											
<i>Upper Makohine Block.</i>											
Rangitikei..	Tiriraukawa	24A	VIII.	125 1 11 | 25 0	156 13 0	1 3	3 18 4	1 0	3 2 8		
<i>Waiwera Block.</i>											
Eketahuna	Tararua ..	7	II.	200 0 0 | 21 0	210 0 0	1 0 6	5 5 0	0 10 08	4 4 0		
Weighted with £20 for improvements.											

Section 14, Block VII., Makuri, is situated in the Coonor Block, on the Upper Makuri Road, distant about eight miles from Makuri Township and two miles from Coonor School, post-office, &c. The access is from Pahiatua, *via* Makuri, which is about twenty-eight miles distant by metalled road. The section comprises undulating country, with homestead-site on the road-frontage. The soil is of a mixed character, part clay and part loam, resting on limestone formation. The forest is heavy throughout, comprising rata, rimu, birch, with pukahu more or less on the ridges, and dense undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, tawa, lawyer, &c. The land is watered by the Makuri Stream. The elevation ranges from about 1,400 ft. to 1,700 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 11 acres felled but not burned, and now overgrown, and also 2½ acres in grass, valued at £16 12s. 6d.

Section 24A, Block VIII., Tiriraukawa, is situated on the Mangaweka-Te Kanua Road, on the Mangaone Stream, and adjoining the Palmerston North Knights of Labour Block. The access is from Mangaweka, which is about nine miles distant by the Mangaweka-Te Kapua Road, which is formed as a horse-road; also from Mangaonoho Railway-station. The section comprises hilly bush land. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is fairly heavy, comprising kahikatea, matai, miro, rimu, totara, hinau, maire, tawa, &c., with a thick undergrowth of karamu, konini, mahoe, rangiora. The section is well watered by the Mangaone Stream.

Section 7, Block II., Tararua, is situated in the Waiwera Block, on the Mangahao South Road. The access is from the Hukarui Railway-station, which is about four miles distant, two miles and a half of which distance is partly metalled, the remainder being horse-track. The last half-mile is partly blocked with landslips and trees. The present access is by bed and bank of Mangahao River. The section comprises about 12 or 15 acres of flat land, with good homestead-site on the road-frontage; the remainder is hilly, rising steeply towards the back. The soil is clay resting on papa formation. The forest is heavy, comprising rimu, rata, tawa, birch, and tawhero, with a thick undergrowth of supplejack, konini, vines, &c. The land is watered by a small creek. The elevation ranges from about 500 ft. to 900 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 10 acres felled and grassed at 40s. = £20.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.
SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.			Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	
A. R. P. s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d.											
Southland	Forest Hill	180A	..	282 0 0 | 5 0	70 10 0	0 3	1 15 3	0 2 4	1 8 3		
Situating about three miles from Hedgehope Railway-station. Land poor, mostly peat-bog. Burdened with £112 12s., valuation for improvements, consisting of fencing and ditching.											
Wallace ..	Longwood..	36	IV.	182 3 14 | 8 4	76 5 0	0 5	1 18 3	0 4	1 10 6		
Situating about two miles from Hirst's Crossing Railway-station. Soil inferior. Burdened with £78, valuation for improvements, consisting of fencing and clearing.											

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Clutha..	Catlin's ..	25	VIII.	A. R. P. 252 1 9	s. d. 7 6	£ s. d. 94 10 0	s. d. 0 4-5	£ s. d. 2 7 3	s. d. 0 3-6	£ s. d. 1 17 10
Bush land of medium quality; steep and broken in places; well watered. Situated about seven miles from Owaka Railway-station and about two miles from Houipapa Post-office and School. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £154.										
Clutha..	Glenomaru ..	35	X.	191 0 0	12 6	119 7 6	0 7-5	2 19 8	0 6	2 7 9
Steep bush section containing some good land; well watered. Situated three miles from Glenomaru Railway-station.										
Clutha..	Rimu ..	10	XIII.	198 2 16	7 6	74 12 6	0 4-5	1 17 4	0 3-6	1 9 10
A bush section of fair quality; well watered; good aspect. Situated about twenty-five miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £391 14s. 6d.										
Clutha..	Rimu ..	7	XIV.	126 0 0	7 6	47 5 0	0 4-5	1 3 8	0 3-6	0 18 11
Bush section containing some fairly level land, but the greater part is steep and broken; well watered. Situated about twenty-two miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £9.										
Clutha..	Woodland ..	4	IV.	275 1 0	7 6	103 2 6	0 4-5	2 11 7	0 3-6	2 1 3
" ..	" ..	8	"	253 0 0	5 0	63 5 0	0 3	1 11 8	0 2-4	1 5 4
" ..	" ..	13	V.	339 1 0	7 6	127 2 6	0 4-5	3 3 7	0 3-6	2 10 10
" ..	" ..	8	VI.	175 0 0	7 6	65 12 6	0 4-5	1 12 10	0 3-6	1 6 3
" ..	" ..	11	"	183 0 0	5 0	45 15 0	0 3	1 2 11	0 2-4	0 18 4
" ..	" ..	14	"	169 3 28	5 0	42 10 0	0 3	1 1 3	0 2-4	0 17 0
" ..	" ..	20	"	252 1 16	7 6	94 10 0	0 4-5	2 7 3	0 3-6	1 17 10
" ..	" ..	21	"	228 1 9	7 6	85 10 0	0 4-5	2 2 9	0 3-6	1 14 2
" ..	" ..	25	"	171 0 20	7 6	64 2 6	0 4-5	1 12 1	0 3-6	1 5 8
" ..	" ..	5	VII.	25 1 0	5 0	6 5 0	0 3	0 3 2	0 2-4	0 2 6
" ..	" ..	12	"	242 0 0	7 6	90 15 0	0 4-5	2 5 5	0 3-6	1 16 4
" ..	" ..	14	"	101 0 0	10 0	50 10 0	0 6	1 5 3	0 4-8	1 0 2
" ..	" ..	15	"	132 3 0	10 0	66 10 0	0 6	1 13 3	0 4-8	1 6 7
" ..	" ..	16	"	99 1 0	10 0	49 10 0	0 6	1 4 9	0 4-8	0 19 10
" ..	" ..	17	"	96 0 0	10 0	48 0 0	0 6	1 4 0	0 4-8	0 19 2
" ..	" ..	27	"	176 0 0	7 6	66 0 0	0 4-5	1 13 0	0 3-6	1 6 5
" ..	" ..	29	"	220 1 23	7 6	82 10 0	0 4-5	2 1 3	0 3-6	1 13 0
" ..	" ..	31	"	150 0 0	7 6	56 5 0	0 4-5	1 8 2	0 3-6	1 2 6
" ..	" ..	6	VIII.	216 0 0	10 0	108 0 0	0 6	2 14 0	0 4-8	2 3 2
" ..	" ..	3	X.	38 2 0	5 0	9 15 0	0 3	0 4 11	0 2-4	0 3 11
" ..	" ..	5	"	21 2 0	10 0	11 0 0	0 6	0 5 6	0 4-8	0 4 5
" ..	" ..	15	"	207 0 0	7 6	77 12 6	0 4-5	1 18 10	0 3-6	1 11 1
" ..	" ..	32	"	95 2 0	7 6	36 0 0	0 4-5	0 18 0	0 3-6	0 14 5
" ..	" ..	14	XI.	177 0 0	7 6	66 7 6	0 4-5	1 13 2	0 3-6	1 6 7

Rough bush sections; land of fair quality; well watered. Situated from five to fifteen miles from Owaka Railway-station. Valuations for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared—Section 4, Block IV., £250; Section 8, Block IV., £135; Section 8, Block VI., £6; Section 11, Block VI., £18; Section 14, Block VI., £76; Section 20, Block VI., £21; Section 21, Block VI., £55; Section 5, Block VII., £9; Section 12, Block VII., £20; Section 14, Block VII., £240; Section 15, Block VII., £100; Section 16, Block VII., £128 16s.; Section 17, Block VII., £87 7s. 6d.; Section 27, Block VII., £164 18s.; Section 29, Block VII., £95; Section 31, Block VII., £55; Section 6, Block VIII., £84; Section 3, Block X., £10; Section 5, Block X., £10; Section 15, Block X., £152 13s. 3d. Section 32, Block X., £30; Section 14, Block XI., £200.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Shooting Season for Deer, License-fee, &c., County of Wairarapa South.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that red-deer (stags only) may be taken or killed within the County of Wairarapa South (excepting therefrom the area described in the Schedule hereto) from the seventeenth day of February to the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wellington, and the Postmasters at Masterton, Carterton, Greytown North, Featherston, and Martinborough, are hereby appointed to issue the said licenses; and I do further notify that the said licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued subject to the following condition, namely, that no stag shall be killed carrying antlers with less than ten points.

SCHEDULE.

All that area of land in the Huangarua Survey District, in the County of Wairarapa South, being Sections 29 to 41 inclusive, 59, 71, 72, 75, 79, 83, 90, 93, 97, 98, and part of Sections 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 89, 92, 91, 94, 95, 96, 87, and 84, now in the occupation of Mr. John Martin and Mr. Featherston Johnston, and known as the Puruatanga Estate or Station.

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

J. CARROLL.

Fixing Shooting-season for Deer, License-fee, &c., Marlborough District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that red-deer stags and fallow-deer bucks may be taken or killed within the Marlborough District, comprising the Counties of Marlborough and Sounds, from Wednesday, the fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred, to Saturday, the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on the payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that no licensee shall be allowed to kill more than six stags or bucks, and that the Chief Postmaster at Blenheim is hereby appointed to issue the said licenses.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HECTOR PORTEOUS WEST

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Colonial Secretary.

Trustees of Te Puke Drainage District appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, in terms of section 13 of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," to appoint

JOHN CAMERON GALBRAITH,
ERNEST BOUCHER,
SAMUEL CRAWFORD,
ARCHIEBALD SNODGRASS, and
WILLIAM BENNETT

to be Trustees of the Te Puke Drainage District.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Colonial Secretary.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JAMES POTTER

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Lyell, vice William Alfred Harding, on and from the 23rd January, 1900.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Colonial Secretary.

Police Gaoler appointed.

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable EDWIN EALES

to be Police Gaoler at Herbertville, vice Constable Archibald Gray, transferred.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Justice.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 6th February, 1900.

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

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Permanent Militia Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the under-mentioned appointments:-

New Zealand Permanent Militia.

Probationary Military Cadet Murray Menzies Gardner to be Lieutenant.

Probationary Military Cadet Frank Symon to be Lieutenant.

Commissions to date from the 15th January, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON.

Volunteer Officer transferred.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve, under paragraph 262, Volunteer Regulations, 1895, of the transfer of

Major WILLIAM HENRY SRINNER, V.D., from the Unattached Active List, New Zealand Volunteers, to the Honorary Unattached List, New Zealand Volunteers, with effect from the 31st day of December, 1899.

T. THOMPSON.

Arrangements for First Elections, &c., Maungatua Drainage District.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Friday, the 16th February, 1900, to be the day, and the Cranley Dairy Factory to be the place, for holding the first election of five members of the Maungatua Land-drainage District, as constituted under "The Land Drainage Act, 1893"; also to appoint Friday, the 23rd February, 1900, at 11 o'clock a.m., to be the time, and the Cranley Dairy Factory to be the place, at which the first meeting of the Trustees shall be held.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Colonial Secretary.

Coroners appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 6th February, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER McARTHUR, Esq., M.A., LL.D.,
of Auckland, and

JAMES MILLER KILLEN, Esq.,
of Whangarei, to be Coroners within the Colony of New Zealand.

JAMES MCGOWAN.

*Special Orders (2) made by the Wirokino Road Board,
County of Horowhenua.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1900.

THE following special orders, made by the Wirokino Road Board, are published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

WIROKINO ROAD BOARD.

Special Order.

THAT this Board now make the following special order: That, for the purpose of the readjustment of the now existing loans obtained under the provisions of the Government Loans to Local Bodies Acts, and specified in the Schedule hereto, the Wirokino Road Board does hereby order and authorise the said now-existing loans, and the inscribed debt in respect of such loans, to be readjusted under the provisions of subsection (3) of section 2 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1899," for the unexpired period of forty-one years, such readjustment to take effect on 1st February next. The payments to be made by the Wirokino Road Board on such loans and inscribed debt to be at the rate of 3½ per cent., payable half-yearly, during the unexpired period of forty-one years from the 1st day of February aforesaid.

Amount of Loan.	Schedule.
£ s. d.	
6,764 6 0 ..	.. General loan (whole district).
155 14 2 ..	.. Bell's Road.
2,263 5 1 ..	.. Tokomaru Valley Road.
340 0 1 ..	.. Kahuterawa Valley Road.
1,354 19 6 ..	.. Buckley East Road.
391 7 6 ..	.. Scott's Road.
559 2 3 ..	.. Shannon East Road.
556 4 2 ..	.. Shannon Ferry Road.
258 1 7 ..	.. Albert Road.
334 8 10 ..	.. Muhunua West Road.
622 18 4 ..	.. Kingston Road.
1,017 8 5 ..	.. Muhunua East Road Bridge.
305 7 10 ..	.. Aratangata Road Drain.
508 18 7 ..	.. Buckley West Road.
497 19 5 ..	.. Tokomaru Township.
508 16 6 ..	.. Pott's Road.

I hereby specify that the foregoing special order was duly adopted by the Wirokino Road Board at an ordinary meeting held on the 16th day of December, 1899, and confirmed at a special meeting on the 20th day of January, 1900, and in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

E. H. SNOW,
Clerk to Board.

Levin, 24th January, 1900.

WIROKINO ROAD BOARD.

Special Order.

THAT this Board now make the following special order: That, for the purpose of readjusting the boundary between Wards Nos. 2 and 4, the proposed new boundary to be as follows, viz.: Commencing at the Manawatu River, at the north-west corner of Section 1, Block X., Mount Robinson Survey District, and running along the western boundaries of Sections 1 and 2; thence in an easterly direction along the southern boundaries of Sections 3, Block XI., 2, 3, and 4, Block XV., Mount Robinson Survey District, to the Buckley Road; thence following the said road in a southerly direction to the south-west corner of School Reserve No. 20; thence in a south-easterly direction along the southern boundary of Sections 13 and 12, Block XV., Mount Robinson Survey District, until it touches the Mangaone Stream; thence in a southerly direction along the said stream until it touches the south-west corner of Section 3, Block IV., Waiopahu Survey District; thence in a south-easterly direction along the southern boundary of the said section to the eastern boundary of the Horowhenua County.

I hereby certify that the foregoing special order by the Wirokino Road Board was duly adopted at an ordinary meeting held on the 16th day of December, 1899, and confirmed at a special meeting on the 20th day of January, 1900, and in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

E. H. SNOW,
Clerk to Board.

Levin, 24th January, 1900.

Special Order made by the Egmont Road Board, County of Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 5th February, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

EGMONT ROAD BOARD.

SPECIAL order passed by the Egmont Road Board at a special meeting held on the 20th December, 1899, and confirmed at a special meeting held on the 15th January, 1900:—

"That the Egmont Road Board hereby resolves, by way of special order, to readjust the now-existing loans of £1,252 17s. 6d. on the Egmont Road, £200 on the Tarurutangi Road, £100 on the Kaipiti Road, under the provisions of subsection (1) of section 2 of 'The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1899,' so that interest shall be paid at the reduced yearly rate of 4½ per centum per annum for the unexpired residue of the original respective terms of the said loans; such readjustment to take effect on the 1st day of February, 1900."

ROBT. GLEGG,
Chairman.

I hereby certify that the foregoing special order has been duly made by the Egmont Road Board as required by the Road Boards Act:

G. H. FOOTE,
Clerk, Egmont Road Board.

15th January, 1900.

Special Order made by the Parihaka Road Board, County of Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 5th February, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

PARIHAKA ROAD BOARD.

Special Order.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following special order was made on Saturday, 30th December, 1899, and confirmed on Tuesday, 30th January, 1900:—

"That, to secure the repayment of a loan of £2,500, raised under 'The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886,' for the purpose of draining, forming, bridging, and metalling the Upper Kina Road, from the Main South Road to the Wiremu Road, a special rate of 3½d. in the pound be made and levied over the following lands—viz., Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 17; Subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 15; Subdivisions 1, 2, and 3 of Section 16; Subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 39; and Subdivisions 3, 4, 14, and 15 (Ngatitara), Block 6; Subdivisions 5, 6, and 7, Block 3; Subdivisions 16, 17, and 18, Block 7; and half of each of Subdivisions 8, 9, 19, and 20, Block 3; and half of each of Sections 25 and 26, Block 5—all of which is situated in the Opunake Survey District, and constituting the Upper Kina Special Rating District. Such rate to be an annually recurring rate for twenty-six years, payable in one instalment on the 1st day of January in each year."

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

EDWIN R. MORGAN,
Clerk.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of New Plymouth.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 5th February, 1900.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Borough of New Plymouth, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

A.

This is the notice marked "A," referred to in the annexed declaration of Edward Dockrill, made this 31st day of January, 1900, before me—Oliver Samuel, Notary Public.

BOROUGH OF NEW PLYMOUTH.

Result of Poll for Special Loan of £60,000.

I HEREBY give notice that a poll was taken on the 24th day of January, 1900, on the proposal of the New Plymouth Borough Council to raise a special loan of £60,000 for the following purposes:—

1. As to £29,000, to pay off the special loan of £29,000 already raised (maturing 30th June, 1900):
2. As respects £21,000,—
 - (a.) To provide additions to and extensions of waterworks;
 - (b.) To provide electrical lighting;
 - (c.) To acquire, in connection with providing additions to and extensions of waterworks and electrical lighting, lands (within or without the borough), rights, easements, advantages, and appurtenances, and buildings, engines, machinery, and other things;
 - (d.) To pay compensation to any person injuriously affected;
 - (e.) Any other purpose incidental or in relation to any of the above purposes:
3. As respects £10,000, to promote the convenience of the inhabitants of the borough by improving the streets of the borough:

And that the result of the said poll was as follows:—
For the proposal, 323 votes; against the proposal, 158 votes.
I therefore declared the proposal carried.

Dated at New Plymouth, this 31st day of January, 1900.

EDWARD DOCKRILL,
Mayor.

BOROUGH OF NEW PLYMOUTH.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and the Acts amending the same; and in the matter of a proposal of the New Plymouth Borough Council to raise a special loan of £60,000.

I, EDWARD DOCKRILL, Mayor of the Borough of New Plymouth, in New Zealand, do solemnly and sincerely declare—

1. That a poll was taken on the 24th day of January, 1900, on the proposal to raise a special loan of £60,000 for the purposes described in my notice hereunto annexed and marked "A," and that the statements contained in the said notice are true.
2. That all proceedings required by the above-mentioned Acts to be taken in or towards obtaining the sanction of the burgesses to the said proposal have been duly taken.
3. That the resolution in favour of the said proposal has been duly carried.

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

EDWARD DOCKRILL.

Declared at the Town of New Plymouth, this 31st day of January, 1900, before me—Oliver Samuel, Notary Public, New Plymouth, New Zealand.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Moa Road Board, County of Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th February, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

MOA ROAD BOARD.

RESULT of poll of ratepayers of the Richmond Road Special Rating District, taken the 27th January, 1900, upon the following proposal: (1) To form and metal the Richmond Road from the junction of the Lincoln Road to boundary of Moa District; (2) to borrow for such purpose the sum of £320, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment, 1899," subsection (1), clause 2; (3) to strike as security for such loan a special rate of 1½d. in the pound; (4) to constitute the Richmond Road Special Rating District, to comprise the following lands—viz., Sections 215, 220 (in two subdivisions), 221 (in two subdivisions), 227, part 229, 230, part 233, Block XIII., Waitara Survey District; part 232, Block I., Huiroa Survey District:—

Total number of ratepayers on special roll, 9; total number of votes exercisable, 9; Total number of votes recorded for the proposal, 6; total number of votes recorded against the proposal, nil.

I hereby declare the proposal carried.

J. BROWN,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of Greymouth.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th February, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

BOROUGH OF GREYMOOUTH.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886." To the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I, ANDREW MATHESON, Mayor of the Borough of Greymouth, in the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, pursuant to section 184 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," give you notice that on the 31st day of January, 1900, a poll was taken under the provisions of the said Act on a proposal of the Council of the said borough to borrow by way of special loan the sum of £40,000, a copy of which proposal is as follows:—

Greymouth Borough Council.—Public Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Borough Council to take the necessary steps to raise a loan for the following purposes, viz.:—

	£
Water-supply	12,204
Drainage	6,621
Street-improvements	5,175
Public and private lighting	16,000
Total	40,000

And it is further notified that it is proposed to pledge a special rate of 2d. in the pound on the capital value of the rateable property in the said borough as security for the said loan.

Dated 23rd day of December, 1899.

A. MATHESON,
Mayor.

And I also give you notice that the number of votes recorded upon the taking of the said poll was as follows: Number of voters on special roll, 745; Number of votes polled, 500, of whom 267 voted for the proposal, 206 against the proposal, and 27 were informal—majority for the proposal, 61.

And I hereby give you notice that the said proposal was duly carried upon the taking of such poll.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 1900.

ANDREW MATHESON,
Mayor of Greymouth.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886."

I, Andrew Matheson, of the Borough of Greymouth, in the Colony of New Zealand, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—

1. I am the Mayor of the said Borough of Greymouth.
2. That all the proceedings required to be taken under the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," in or towards obtaining the sanction of the burgesses of the said borough to a proposal to borrow by way of special loan the total sum of £40,000 for the following purposes—viz., water-supply, £12,204; drainage, £6,621; street-improvements, £5,175; and public and private lighting, £16,000—have been duly taken.
3. That upon a poll of the burgesses of the said borough taken on the 31st day of January, 1900, the said proposal was duly carried.

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

ANDREW MATHESON.

Declared at Greymouth, in the Colony of New Zealand, this 2nd day of February, 1900, before me—Felix Campbell, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

Awards of the Royal Humane Society of Australasia granted in New Zealand.

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

THE following list of awards of the Royal Humane Society of Australasia granted in New Zealand during the year 1898-99 is published for general information.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

ACTS OF GALLANTRY FOR WHICH MEDALS AND CERTIFICATES OF MERIT HAVE BEEN AWARDED SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE LAST REPORT, NEW ZEALAND.

1773.—ARTHUR HEARLING, of Shortland, Thames, New Zealand, a seaman, aged twenty-four years, who rescued

Wilhelm Schmidt, of p.s. "Pakiti," a steward, aged twenty-one years, from drowning at Shortland Wharf, Thames, New Zealand, on 4th June, 1897. Mr. Hearling jumped from the wharf, swam about a hundred yards in a swift current, and succeeded in placing a life-buoy over Schmidt's head and under his arms. Schmidt was sinking for the third time, and would certainly have been drowned but for Hearling's timely assistance. The water was bitterly cold: Certificate of merit.

1778.—JOHN WILLIAM RYAN, of Thames, New Zealand, a cordial-manufacturer, aged thirty-three years, who rescued Frederick Alley, of Hikutaia, Thames, New Zealand, a farmer, aged thirty years, from drowning in the Thames River on 11th July, 1898. Ryan, having taken off his boots and coat, plunged off the wharf. The risk incurred lay in the fact that Mr. Alley fell over in a fit, to which he was subject, and he had sunk twice when Ryan, after swimming a hundred yards, caught hold of him, and held him up until a boat arrived, and he was hauled in. Exertions had to be used to extract the water from his lungs; he was then taken to the hospital, where he was treated by the doctors: Certificate of merit.

1783.—DAVID FREDERICK LUNDON, of Tauranga, New Zealand, an accountant, aged twenty-six years, who rescued Greg Norris, of the same place, mariner, aged twenty-two years, from drowning in the Tauranga Harbour at 1 p.m. on the 26th December, 1897. Five persons were in the yacht "Eliza," which capsized in the Tauranga Harbour, and sank. Lundon took charge of Norris, as he could not swim, and after great difficulty swam with him two hundred yards to the shore, both greatly exhausted. Two of the others swam ashore, but the other was drowned in his attempt: Bronze medal.

1784.—GEORGE WILLIAM WASHINGTON COZENS, of Auckland, New Zealand, a seaman, aged twenty-one years, who rescued Angus McDonald, of the same place, a seaman, aged thirty-five years, from drowning in the South Pacific Ocean on the 25th August, 1898, he having fallen overboard from aloft, striking against the streeve pole as he fell, which rendered him insensible. Cozens immediately jumped overboard and got him alongside, and he was hauled on board: Certificate of merit.

1798.—ANDREW GEORGE DOUTHETT, of Newton, New Zealand, a police constable, aged twenty-four years, who rescued Eliza Clements, of Auckland, aged fifty-two years, from drowning, at Auckland, on the 5th June, 1897. Hearing cries of "Man overboard" on the Auckland Wharf, Constable Douthett ran in the direction of the sound, and then, hearing cries for help proceeding from the water (it being then too dark to see any one), dived in, and succeeded in rescuing the woman, who was in a very intoxicated state: Certificate of merit.

1835.—ROBERT HENRY PRICE RONAYNE, of Tinakori Road, Wellington, New Zealand, aged eleven years, who rescued Gordon Morrison, aged nine years, from drowning in Day's Bay, Wellington, on the 26th January, 1899. Young Morrison, who could not swim, fell off the wharf, when Ronayne at once jumped in and swam with him to the piles: Certificate of merit.

1896.—SAMUEL WESTRUPP, Ferntown, Nelson, New Zealand, aged fifteen years, who rescued Mrs. Patterson and children from drowning in a flood at Ferntown on the 30th January, 1899. Westrupp at 8 p.m. was assisting Mrs. Patterson and children to a place of safety; took one child away to a place of safety, returned, and found all the rest struggling in the water, clinging to a fence. Mrs. Patterson had stumbled and dropped her infant, which was carried away and drowned. Westrupp removed the others into a tree, where they remained all night: Certificate of merit.

Notice as to Day for Closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

WHEREAS the local authorities respectively mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto have duly notified to me that the days upon which the shops in their respective districts shall be closed, pursuant to the provisions of "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," are the days set opposite their respective names in the second column of the said Schedule:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by the said Act, I, Richard John Seddon, Minister of Labour, do hereby appoint that the said respective days shall be the days upon which all shops within the said respective districts shall be closed.

SCHEDULE.

Arrowtown	Wednesday.
Bull's	"
Cambridge	"
Campbelltown	"
Cromwell	"

Green Island	Wednesday.
Hokitika	"
Kaitangata	"
Lawrence	"
Lethbridge	"
Marton	"
Ngaruawahia	"
Onehunga	"
Opunake	"
Pahiatua	"
Palmerston North	"
Palmerston South	"
Riverton	"
Ross	"
Rotorua	"
Taradale	"
Winton	"
Woodville	"
Akaroa	Thursday.
Carterton	"
Greytown (Allanton)	"
Greytown North	"
Kaiapoi	"
Masterton	"
Naseby	"
Oamaru	"
Tauranga	"
Te Awamutu	"
Temuka	"
Thames	"
Timaru	"
Westport	"
Amberley	Saturday.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Notice as to Day for Closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," and of all other powers and authorities me hereto enabling, and in terms of notice in writing duly received by me from the Chairman of the Conference of Delegates constituted for the purposes of that Act by the Boroughs of the City of Christchurch, St. Albans, Sydenham, Linwood, Woolston, Sumner, and Lyttelton (being all the boroughs or town districts any part of any one of which is situate within a mile of any part of another), I, Richard John Seddon, Minister of Labour, hereby appoint Thursday to be the day on which all shops in the said district shall be closed as provided by that Act.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Notice as to Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," and of all other powers and authorities me hereto enabling, and in terms of notice in writing duly received by me from the Chairman of the Conference of Delegates of all the local authorities comprised in the district constituted for the purposes of that Act by the Boroughs of the Lower Hutt and Petone (being all the boroughs or town districts any part of any one of which is situate within a mile of any part of another), I, Richard John Seddon, Minister of Labour, hereby appoint Wednesday to be the day on which all shops in the said district shall be closed as provided by that Act.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Notice to Mariners, No. 7 of 1900.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1900.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Portmaster, Brisbane, Queensland, are published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

INNER ROUTE TO TORRES STRAIT.

Rocks in Passage between Flinders and Denham Islands.

NOTICE is hereby given that Commander Parry, R.N., of H.M. surveying ship "Dart," reports the existence of a coral patch 2 cables long east and west and 1 cable wide,

with a least depth of 12 ft. at low water, in the following position, viz. :—

Flinders Peak N. 17° 10' W., distant 1 mile $3\frac{1}{10}$ cables;
N. extreme of Maclear Island S. 87° 20' W., distant 1 mile $1\frac{8}{10}$ cables.

Also a coral shoal $4\frac{1}{2}$ cables long N.W. and S.E. and 1 cable wide, having a least depth of 19 ft. at low-water springs, in the following position, viz. :—

Flinders Peak N. 27° E., distant 1 mile $3\frac{5}{10}$ cables;
N. extreme of Maclear Island, S. 63° 30' W., distant $2\frac{1}{10}$ cables.

The above-named lie in the passage between Flinders Island and Denham Island: vessels wishing to pass through are therefore cautioned.

Chart affected: No. 2922; Australia Directory, Vol. ii., 5th edition.

T. M. ALMOND,
Portmaster.

Marine Department, Brisbane, 12th January, 1900.

INNER ROUTE TO TORRES STRAIT.

Reported Danger between Lizard Island and Howick Group.

NOTICE is hereby given that Coast Pilot Graham, when recently in charge of the s.s. "Karaweera," reported touching a shoal with a depth of about 12 ft. at low-water springs over it in the following approximate position, viz. :—

Summit of Howick Island (186 ft.) bearing W. by N. $\frac{1}{2}$ N., distant $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

As the vessel was hove-to at the time, owing to thick weather, some uncertainty exists as to the true position, and the danger has been unsuccessfully searched for by H.M.S. "Dart." However, a danger was reported in this vicinity in former years, and accordingly masters of vessels are cautioned not to go to the northward of the track recommended in that neighbourhood.

Charts affected: Nos. 2922 and 2923; Australia Directory, Vol. ii., 5th edition.

T. M. ALMOND,
Portmaster.

Marine Department, Brisbane, 17th January, 1900.

Notice to Mariners, No. 8 of 1900.

SOMES ISLAND, PORT NICHOLSON.—EXHIBITION OF NEW LIGHT.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 5th February, 1900.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 52 of 1899, issued by this department on the 21st December last, notice is hereby given that the new light will not be ready for exhibition on the date mentioned therein, but that it will be exhibited on and after the night of Wednesday, the 21st February, 1900.

WM. HALL-JONES.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The terms of payment will be—

- One-fifth on the committee reporting favourably of the discovery;
- One-fifth on delivery of first 200 tons;
- The remaining three-fifths by equal payments on delivery of each additional 150 tons.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister for Agriculture.

Bonus for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,
Wellington, 17th February, 1898.

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

1. That at least one-third of the quantity is produced on or before the 31st March, 1900, and the remaining two-thirds on or before the 31st March, 1901.
2. No bonus will be payable until the whole of the one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced as stipulated to the satisfaction of an officer to be appointed by the Minister of Mines, and on whose certificate alone the bonus will be paid.
3. In the event of more than one person producing the required quantities of quicksilver before the dates named, inquiry will be made by the officer above referred to, when, if it is found that each applicant is equally entitled to a bonus, the amount will be divided in proportion to the quantities produced by each applicant, but in no case shall any bonus be paid until at least one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced in the aggregate.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

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

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

BONUS No. 1.

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

The following are the conditions :—

1. All applications for the bonus must be sent addressed to the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington, and must reach him not later than the 31st March, 1900. Each application must be accompanied by a description of the machine or process, particularly stating improvements on present machines or processes, and also the cost at which the machine or process can be supplied.
2. The applicants must be prepared to submit their machines or processes to examination at such time and place as the Government may direct.
3. The Government shall appoint a committee of three or more experts, to whom all applications shall be submitted. Such committee shall, after perusal, state what machines or processes they deem worthy of consideration, and may inspect the same at any place within the colony; and, having so inspected the whole or any of them, may direct that the whole or any of them be brought for further trial to such place as they may think fit.

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

The following shall be the basis of the test :—

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

The committee shall take into consideration—

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

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

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

BONUS No. 2.

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

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

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

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Officiating Ministers for 1900.—Notice No. 4.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 7th February, 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 names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Baptist.

Pastor James Fussell.

Church of Christ.

Mr. George Manifold.

Lutheran Church.

The Reverend John Klitscher.

GEO. DRURY,
Deputy Registrar-General.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 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.

Jonathan Harris, late of Wairio, in the Provincial District of Otago, labourer. Filed on the 30th day of January, 1900.

Alexander Mason, late of Alexandra, in the Provincial District of Otago, labourer. Filed on the 30th day of January, 1900.

John Diving, late of Killomoran, Ireland, farmer. Filed on the 30th day of January, 1900.

George Blakeney, late of Sanson, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 30th day of January, 1900.

Emma Curtis, late of Te Karaka, in the Provincial District of Auckland, domestic servant. Filed on the 30th day of January, 1900.

Robert Colquhoun Morrison, late of Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, clergyman. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

George Thomas Harrison Lyne, late of Feilding, in the Provincial District of Wellington, settler. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

Peter Dowd, late of Coromandel, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

Peter Anderson, late of Ngapara, in the Provincial District of Otago, labourer. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

William Barbour, late of Claremont, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, cook. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

George Powell, late of Dunganville, in the Provincial District of Westland, gold-miner. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

William Hailston, late of Riwaka, in the Provincial District of Nelson, labourer. Filed on the 2nd day of February, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

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.

Officers appointed.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 26th January, 1900.

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

J. G. WARD,

Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

PERMANENT.

Name.	Position.	Office.	Date.
Bleakley, John	Assistant Letter-carriers' Sorter ..	Auckland	6 Nov., 1899.
Conrick, James Michael	Assistant P.O. Messenger	Wellington	14 Aug., "
Grocott, Horace	Letter-carrier	Akaroa	11 Sept., "
Ladley, Walter Edward Hern ..	Cadet	Cir. Branch, G.P.O. ..	28 Aug., "
Legg, Major Herbert Rowland ..	Letter-carrier	Kaipoi	14 July, "
McLean, John	Cadet	Dunedin C.P.O. ..	18 Aug., "
McQuinn, John	Letter-carrier	Christchurch	5 June, "
Ross, Arthur Herbert	Junior Exchange Clerk	Feilding	1 Aug., "
Vivian, William Ellery	Letter-carrier	Coromandel	24 July, "
West, Thomas Walter	"	Oamaru	26 Aug., "

NON-PERMANENT.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
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TELEPHONIST.

Railway Officer.

McKechnie, James | Newmarket Railway | Auckland | 20 Nov., 1899.

POSTMASTERS.

Barton, Mary	Woodleigh	Auckland	1 Dec., 1899.
Begley, Thomas	Big River	Greymouth	1 " "
Brown, Thomas Frederick	Ruakituri	Napier	1 Jan., 1900.
Goulter, Arthur James Bertram ..	Otaua	Auckland	1 Dec., 1899.
Hagger, Frederick James	Waiharara	"	1 " "
McKail, Henrietta	Otau	"	1 Jan., 1900.
Rutherford, James	Hindon	Dunedin	1 Oct., 1899.
Steel, James	Kennedy's Bay	Auckland	1 Jan., 1900.
Underwood, William	Huarau	"	1 Dec., 1899.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
POSTMASTERS AND TELEPHONISTS.			
Cameron, Christina Mary	Shag Point	Oamaru	4 Nov., 1899.
Cook, Robert	Johnsonville	Wellington	9 Dec., "
Evans, Samuel Harrison	Mititai	Auckland	1 " "
Greaves, Benjamin Edward	Waimata Valley	Gisborne	1 Jan., 1900.
Langman, Harry	Rahotu	New Plymouth	1 Dec., 1899.
Newnham, Thomas Olivant	Ohoka	Christchurch	23 Nov., "
Patton, Maggie	Macetown	Invercargill	28 Oct., "
Prentice, Evelyn	Otorohanga	Auckland	17 Nov., "
Samson, Thomas Stephen	Ohinemutu	"	1 Dec., "
Scully, Hannah	Ohingaiti	Wanganui	1 Aug., "
Staines, Isabella	New Brighton	Christchurch	23 June, "
TELEPHONISTS.			
Jørgensen, Jens Peter	Kilbirnie	Wellington	28 Sept., 1899.
Long, Richard Durant*	Waerengaokuri	Gisborne	25 Nov., "
Watt, David Bruce	Hangaroa	"	25 " "

* Now Postmaster and Telephonist.

Offices opened and closed, and Designation corrected.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 26th January, 1900.

THE following particulars of offices opened and closed, and of a designation corrected, are published for general information.

J. G. WARD,

Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

OFFICES.

Name.	District.	Date.
POST-OFFICES OPENED.		
Big River	Greymouth	1 December, 1899.
Huarau	Auckland	1 " "
Otau	"	1 January, 1900.
Ruakituri	Napier	1 " "
Woodleigh	Auckland	1 December, 1899.
POST-OFFICE CLOSED.		
Waitoto River	Hokitika	13 November, 1899.
MONEY-ORDER OFFICE AND POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK OPENED.		
Frasertown	Napier	2 January, 1900.
TELEPHONE-OFFICES OPENED.		
Cabbage Bay	Auckland	14 December, 1899.
Hangaroa	Gisborne	25 November, "
Heathcote Valley	Christchurch	8 December, "
Linton	Wellington	22 " "
Makirikiri	Wanganui	11 " "
Matamau	Napier	18 " "
Morere	"	5 " "
Otipua	Timaru	18 " "
Te Tua	Invercargill	4 " "
Tiritiri	Auckland	19 " "
Tokomaru	Wellington	22 " "
Waerengaokuri	Gisborne	25 November, "
Wai-iti	Nelson	4 January, 1900.
Waipiata	Dunedin	5 " "
TELEPHONE-OFFICE CLOSED.		
The Camp	Dunedin	6 December, 1899.
TELEPHONE BUREAUX OPENED.		
Ellerslie	Auckland	1 December, 1899.
Eltham	Wanganui	4 " "
Hangaroa	Gisborne	25 November, "
Heathcote Valley	Christchurch	8 December, "
Makirikiri	Wanganui	11 " "
Marton	"	18 " "
Otipua	Timaru	18 " "
Rata	Wanganui	28 " "
Waerengaokuri	Gisborne	25 November, "
TELEPHONE BUREAU CLOSED.		
The Camp	Dunedin	6 December, 1899.
TELEPHONE EXCHANGES OPENED.		
Eltham	Wanganui	4 December, 1899.
Marton	"	18 " "

DESIGNATION CORRECTED.

Description.	Office.		District.	Date.
	From	To		
Post, telegraph, and money-order office and savings-bank	St. Andrew ..	St. Andrew's ..	Timaru ..	18 December, 1899.

Crown Lands Notices.

Otago Runs classified.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 31st January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Commissioners appointed in pursuance of section 189 of "The Land Act, 1892," have reported to His Excellency the Governor that the lands described in the Schedule hereto have been classified by them as therein noted.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

SCHEDULE.

Run.	Area in Acres.	Description.
CLASS I.—PASTORAL LANDS, being Lands suitable exclusively for Pasturage, and not capable of being used with Profit in Areas of a Carrying-capacity of less than Five Thousand Sheep.		
179	7,520	Situated in Crookston and Rankleburn Survey Districts; bounded on the north by Run 163, on the east by Clutha River, on the south-west by Blackcleugh Burn, and on the west by summit of Tapanui Mountains.
479 and 480	8,000	Situated in Whitecomb and Warhill Survey Districts; bounded on the north by Run 425b and surveyed land, on the east by surveyed land, on the south by Run 368, and on the west by Pomahaka River.
Sections 40 to 43, Block I., Crookston	600	Bounded generally on the north by road-line, on the east by Sections 37, 38, and 39, said Block I., on the south by road-line, and on the west by Run 163.
96	2,900	Situated in Warepa Survey District; bounded on the north and east by surveyed land, on the south by Kaihiku Station, and on the west by Run 96a.
96A	1,970	Situated in Warepa Survey District; bounded on the north by surveyed land, on the east by Run 96, on the south by Run 72, and on the west by Waiwera River.
308A	8,780	Situated chiefly in Upper Taieriside Survey District; bounded on the north by Run 247d, on the south-east by Totara Creek, and on the south-west by Run 261f.
261f	8,140	Situated chiefly in Manorside Survey District; bounded on the north-west by Runs 261c, d, and e, on the north-east by Runs 247d and 308a, on the south-east by Run 308c, and on the south-west by Run 261g.
261g	4,440	Situated chiefly in Manorside Survey District; bounded on the north-west by Run 261e, on the north-east by Run 261f, on the south-east by Runs 308c and e, and on the south-west by Runs 353a and 262.
37, Wakatipu	268	Situated in Shotover Survey District, to the east of Arrow River, in Block X.
38, Wakatipu	274	Situated immediately south of Run 37 described above.
Section 7, Block III., Catlin's District	726	Bounded on the north by Warepa Survey District, on the east by Section 8, said Block III., on the south by a road-line, and on the west by Sections 6 and 3, said Block III.
163	3,700	Situate in Crookston Survey District; bounded on the north by surveyed land, on the north-east by Crown land, on the east by Clutha River, on the south by Run 179, and on the west by Run 163a and surveyed land.
163A	6,130	Situated in Crookston and Rankleburn Survey Districts; bounded on the north-west by surveyed land, on the east by Runs 163 and 179 and Crown lands, and on the south by Run 140b.
Sections 47 and 48, Block I., Crookston District	566	Bounded on the north-east by road-line, on the east by Sections 35 and 13, said Block I., on the south by road-line, and on the west by Block XVI.
Sections 1 to 3, Block XVI., and 45 and 46, Block I., Crookston District	1,108	Bounded on the north by Section 4, Block XVI., and road-line, on the east by Section 26, Block I., and on the south-east, south-west, and west by road-lines.
Sections 3 and 4, Block XV., Crookston	393	Bounded on the north-west by Sections 2 and 22, on the east by Clutha River Reserve, and on the south-west by road-line.
Sections 8, 10, and 11, Block XV., Crookston	588	Bounded on the north-west and north-east by road-lines, on the south-east by Clutha River Reserve, on the south by Sections 12 and 9.
Sections 9, 12, and 15, Block XV., Crookston	463	Bounded on the north by Sections 8 and 11, on the east by Clutha River Reserve, on the south by road-line and Section 14, and on the west by Sections 16, 17, and road-line.
Sections 4 and 5, Block XVI., Crookston	421	Bounded on the north-west and west by road-line, on the east by Block I., and on the south by Sections 2 and 3.
Sections 79 to 94, Block II., Earnslaw District	836	Bounded on the north-west by Rees River Reserve, on the north-east by Run 18, on the south-east by Runs 18 and 14, and on the south-west by road-line and Sections 77 and 78.
140A	5,824	Situated in Glenkenich and Rankleburn Survey Districts; bounded on the north by Run 140b, on the east by the Rankleburn, and on the south and west by surveyed land.
CLASS II.—PASTORAL AGRICULTURAL LANDS, being Lands adapted in part for Pasturage and in part for Agricultural Purposes, but suitable for Subdivision in Areas not exceeding Five Thousand Acres.		
212g	1,654	Situated in Greenvale Survey District; bounded on the north-east and south by surveyed land, on the west by Runs 212e and 212f.
51	9,250	Situated in Tuapeka East Survey District; bounded on the north by Waipori River, on the east by commonage and Run 51a, and on the south-west by Waitahuna River and Run 6, Tuapeka.
Section 3, Block XVII., Greenvale District	320	Bounded on the north by Section 2, said Block XVII., on the south-east by Block IX., and on the west by Run 212g.
Section 1, Block VIII., Silverpeak District	2,118	Bounded on the north-west by Three-o'-Clock Creek Reserve and Section 3, Block VIII., Nenthorn, on the east by Block IX., and on the south by Block VI.
51A	10,460	Situated in the Waipori District; bounded generally on the north-east by surveyed land and Waipori River, on the south-east by surveyed land, on the south-west by Meggat Burn, and on the west by Run 51.

Dunedin, 11th January, 1900.

JOHN HAY,
HENRY CLARK,
HUGH H. KIRKPATRICK, } Commissioners.

Lands in Elderslie Settlement, Otago, open for Application on Lease in Perpetuity.

Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, 7th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for application upon lease in perpetuity at this office on Tuesday, the 20th March, 1900, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—ELDERSLIE SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per cent.	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Awamoko	1A	VII., X.	A. R. P. 496 0 0	s. d. 8 3-2	£ s. d. 102 10 1
"	2A	X.	96 2 0	9 6	22 18 5
"	3A	"	318 2 0	6 6-3	51 19 1
"	4A	"	607 2 0	5 4-7	81 16 5
Maruwenua	6A	I.	612 0 0	6 3-2	95 16 4
Kauroo	9A	XI.	685 0 0	6 9-2	115 16 2
Maruwenua		I.			
Kauroo	10A	XI.	229 0 0	5 9	32 18 5
Awamoko		VII., X.			
Maruwenua	11A	I.	403 0 0	7 4-8	74 11 1
Kauroo	12	XI.	312 0 0	7 9-3	60 12 11
"	13A	"	822 0 0	6 6-2	134 1 9
Awamoko	14A	X.	306 0 0	7 0-6	53 18 8
Kauroo		XI.			
Awamoko	14B	X.	15 0 0	2 6	0 18 9
Kauroo		XI.			
Awamoko	15	X.	685 0 0	6 6-2	111 14 10
Kauroo		XI.			
"	15A	"	27 0 0	0 9	0 10 2
Awamoko	16A	X.	282 3 20	6 9	47 14 9
Kauroo		III.			
Awamoko	17A	X.	636 2 12	7 9-3	123 14 8
Kauroo		III.			
"	17B	"	5 0 0	2 6	0 6 3
Awamoko		IX., X.			
Kauroo	18A	III.	325 1 6	8 9-3	141 17 7
Oamaru	XV.				
Awamoko	31A	X.	32 11 32	8 4-8	90 17 7
"	19A	IX., X.	432 3 2		
Oamaru	20A	XV.	426 2 11	8 9-3	93 11 7
Awamoko		IX., X.			
"	21A	IX.	323 1 34	8 8	70 1 0
Oamaru		XV.			
Kauroo	22A	III.	516 0 28	8 6-3	110 0 2
Oamaru		XV.			
Kauroo	23A	III.	305 3 32	8 9-6	67 6 2
Oamaru		XIV., XV.			
Kauroo	24A	III.	601 2 15	6 6-2	97 18 10
"	24B	"	8 0 0	2 6	0 10 0
Oamaru	25	XIV., XV.	263 3 33	8 1-8	53 15 7
"	26	XIV.	595 0 38	8 10-8	132 8 10
"	26A	"	44 0 0	1 6	1 13 0
Kauroo	27	III.	390 1 32	6 3-3	61 5 0
"	27A	II., III.	58 0 0	1 6	2 3 6
Oamaru		XIV.			
Kauroo	28	III.	266 1 8	3 9	24 19 4
"	28A	"	73 0 0	1 6	2 14 9
"	28B	"	6 0 0	1 0	0 3 0

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Palmerston North for Sale by Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1900.

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 Courthouse, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, the 14th March, 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 on purchasers of these sections other than above mentioned.

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

Reserves in Taihape Township, Rangitikei County, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1900.

IT is hereby notified, in terms of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that written tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, up to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the 28th 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.—TAIHAPE TOWNSHIP.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Minimum Annual Rental.	Term.
1	II.	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 5 0 0	Year to year.
1	VI.	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 5 5 0	Fourteen years.

These sections are situated in the main street, and comprise all flat land, felled and in grass. The soil is of good quality, resting on shingle formation.

CONDITIONS.

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

2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.

3. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.

4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified above, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.

5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.

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

7. The land shall not be cropped nor broken up, 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 spread and growth 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 Karapiro Estate, Auckland, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 6th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office, on Monday, the 26th March, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WAIKATO COUNTY.—CAMBRIDGE SURVEY DISTRICT.—KARAPIRO ESTATE.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
5	IX.	A. R. P. 45 0 19	s. d. 7 0	£ s. d. 7 17 9

Comprises about 35 acres flat land in grass; balance gully and river-flat, fit for surface-sowing; frontage of 19 chains to the Thornton Road, which is fenced with a good post-and-wire fence; the eastern and southern boundaries are also fenced about 47 chains. The section contains about half an acre of wattle-trees, and is well watered. Distant about half a mile from the Borough of Cambridge. The section is portion of the Karapiro Estate.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Wharenui, Tamai, and Pawaho Hamlets, near Christchurch, open for Selection as Workmen's Homes Allotments, on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 6th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be opened for selection on lease in perpetuity, as workmen's homes allotments, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, 21st 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 same allotment on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

If the sections be not applied for on the 21st March, 1900, they will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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Wharenui Hamlet.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
23	X.	A. R. P. 2 2 0	£ s. d. 3 6 0	£ s. d. 4 2 6

This section is situated near the south-eastern corner of the Wharenui Hamlet, fronting on McDowall's Road, between Riccarton Road and Middleton; the section is about three miles and a quarter distant from Christchurch Post-office, and about one mile from Addington Railway Workshops. The soil is deep and of rich quality, on clay subsoil. The selector of the section will be liable to pay to the adjoining holder one-half of the value of the boundary-fence, in terms of "The Fencing Act, 1895."

Tamai Hamlet.

17	XII.	0 2 0	5 0 0	1 5 0
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This section is situated on the western side of Mackworth Street, in the Borough of Woolston, about eight chains back from Ferry Road, the distance along which to Christchurch Post-office is about two miles. The section comprises flat agricultural land, with about 9 in. of heavy black soil on clay subsoil.

Pawaho Hamlet.

14	XVI.	1 2 10	2 6 6	1 16 4
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This section lies near the western end of the Pawaho Hamlet, about half a mile from the Heathcote Railway-station, and has frontage to Hills Road below the Lyttelton Borough reservoir; it comprises flat agricultural land, with from 9 in. to 15 in. of good soil on clay subsoil. The section is weighted with a valuation of £3 for boundary-fencing, which sum must be paid on selection, in addition to the usual deposit and fees.

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sections in Township of Te Puia for Lease by Tender.

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

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

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

Section.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.	Section.	Area.	Minimum Upset Annual Rental.
TOWNSHIP OF TE PUIA.					
Block I.					
1	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	7	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
2	0 1 0	1 10 0	8	0 1 2	1 0 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 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. 20 0 0	s. d. 6 3	£ s. d. 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.

Pastoral Run, Waimate County, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 20th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction, for the term of twenty-one years, at the Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Tuesday the 27th February, 1900, at 12 noon.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT. — WAIMATE COUNTY. — WAIHAO SURVEY DISTRICT.

Run No.	Section No.	Block.	Area.	Rental per Acre.	Upset Annual Rental.
234	36392/3	I., II., V., VI., IX., X.	A. R. P. 9,309 0 0	s. d. 0 5 1/2	£ s. d. 213 6 8

This run is situated on the slopes of the Station Peak Range, which flanks the eastern side of the Hakataramea Valley, South Canterbury. It lies on the north side of the Meyer's Pass Road, near the source of the South Waihao River, about twenty-three miles from Waimate and fourteen miles from Hakataramea. It comprises high open hill country, the spurs being intersected by deep rough gullies, making the block difficult of access. The country is of purely pastoral character, the vegetation consisting of native and English grasses, with snow-grass only on the higher altitudes. It is fairly well watered by springs and streams, but is liable to burn up in a dry summer, and, as the elevation ranges from about 1,500 ft. up to about 3,500 ft. above sea-level, it is liable to heavy falls of snow in winter.

The run is weighted with a valuation of £660 for improvements, consisting of two huts, boundary and subdivision fencing, and surface-sowing; this sum must be paid by the successful lessee before being admitted to possession of the run.

In the event of the run not being sold at auction, it will immediately thereafter be open for application at the upset annual rental.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the run will be given to the purchaser of the license on the 1st March, 1900, or on approval of application by the Land Board.

2. No person or company may become the holder of more than one run under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892": Provided that the holder of any run under the said Act of a carrying-capacity of less than ten thousand sheep or two thousand head of cattle may become the lessee of an aggregate area sufficient to carry such a number of sheep or cattle. The holder of any small grazing-run under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," shall not be the holder of any run under Part VI. of the said Act.

3. The license shall be dated on the 1st March, 1900, or on the 1st March next following the date of selection.

4. The license shall be subject to the following conditions amongst others:—

- (1.) That if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever, directly or indirectly, commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked:
- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license:
- (3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner: and
- (4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground.

5. The licensee shall have the exclusive right of pasturage over the lands specified in his license, but shall have no right to the soil, or timber or minerals thereon or therein.

6. One half-year's rent, a license-fee of £1 ls., and the amount of valuation for improvements shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license.

DECLARATION.

I, _____, of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease or license of pastoral lands.

2. That I am purchasing the lease or license of such lands solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

3. That I am not the holder of any lease or license in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any lease or license in contravention of section 193 of the said Act.

4. That I am not the holder of a small grazing-run in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such run.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 19 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs in the Canterbury Land District open for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 1st February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, and the local Land Office, Timaru, on Thursday, the 1st March, 1900, at the half-yearly rentals noted below. Runs not applied for on the 1st March, 1900, may be selected at the Land Offices, Timaru and Waimate, up to Thursday, the 8th March, 1900, after which date they will be open at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMATE COUNTY.—ELEPHANT HILL SURVEY DISTRICT.—TAKITU SETTLEMENT.

Small Grazing-run No.	Section.	Block.	Area.		Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	
			A.	R. P.		£	s. d.
81	1	I.	2,527	3 36	2 6	161	3 2
82	1	V.	1,639	2 0	1 10	75	16 6
85	2A*	"	508	3 0	3 9	48	3 5
	2B	"	985	1 0	3 9	92	7 4
84	3	"	1,711	3 0	1 9	74	17 9
83	1	VI.	2,301	0 0	2 8	153	17 9

NOTE.—Messrs. Wait and Burbury, the former owners, have the right to acquire 640 acres of Run No. 85 on lease in perpetuity under section 4 of "The Land for Settlements Act Amendment Act, 1895," up to 15th February, 1900.

NOTE.—Each section is a run with the exception of Sections 2A and 2B, which together form one run.

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings, valued at £490, repayable in twenty-one years, by half-yearly instalments of £19 2s. 2d. Total half-yearly rent for Run No. 85, £159 12s. 11d.

General Description.

The Takitu Settlement, formerly known as Clarkesfield Estate, was recently acquired from Messrs. Wait and Burbury, and has been subdivided for settlement purposes. It is situated on the Waitaki River, the south-west corner of the settlement being about nine miles and a half from the Hakataramea Railway-station, the south-east corner about nineteen miles from Glenavy, and the north-east corner about nine miles from the Waihao Downs Railway-station.

Station Peak and Mount Parker Estates bound the settlement on the west, Waihaorunga and Elephant Hill on the north, Elephant Hill and Grassy Hills Estates on the east, and the River Waitaki on the south.

There are about 1,000 acres of flat land on the Waitaki, varying from rich to light stony land, well grassed undulating and rolling downs, and steep rough terraces and gullies. The quality of the soil on the ploughed land is generally good—in places very good—with a fair depth of soil. Some of the ridges are stony. The altitude of Takitu Settlement ranges from about 400 ft. to 2,020 ft. above sea-level.

The climate is mild and bracing, snow rarely lying for more than a few days on the highest parts. The country is well watered: during the summers of 1897 and 1898, probably two of the driest known here, there was ample in the gullies for stock.

The sections are to be disposed of as small grazing-runs, for which they are admirably adapted. A large portion of each has been ploughed and laid down with English grasses, and many of the gullies and spurs of the unploughed portions have been surface-sown with English grasses, which have taken freely.

Excellent crops of rape and turnips have been grown all over the settlement. About 4,400 acres have been ploughed and cultivated; the whole, with the exception of two paddocks, being now in English grass.

Each section is ring-fenced (with the exception of river paddocks) and about 23 chains of the northern boundary of Section 1, Block I., and subdivided into several paddocks with substantial iron fencing.

The improvements generally are of a substantial character; fences in a fair state of repair, and paddocks well laid down.

The property is well roaded, and easily accessible from Waimate, Glenavy, and Hakataramea.

Detailed Descriptions of Runs.

Run No. 81; 2,527 acres 3 roods 36 perches: Pastoral land. Altitude, from about 1,300 ft. to 2,020 ft. above sea-level. Comprises undulating, rolling, and broken downs. About 941 acres have been ploughed and cultivated, and, with the exception of about 240 acres, have been laid down in English grass nine years. About 150 acres of deep black soil; would grow any crop. Of the remainder, or the unploughed portion, part is splendidly grassed with native grasses, and another 500 acres might be ploughed, if thought desirable; it would grow excellent crops of turnips and grass. This run is divided into three paddocks, and, with the exception of about 23 chains of the northern boundary, is well and substantially fenced with rabbit-proof iron and wire fencing, with wooden posts. Distance from Waihao Forks Railway-station, about twelve miles, and a quarter of a mile

from school reserve. The improvements, which go with the land, consist of 834 chains of boundary and subdivision fencing, valued at £275 4s. 3d.

Run No. 82; 1,639 acres 2 roods: Pastoral land; rolling and broken downs, and hills intercepted by steep gullies. About 645 acres have been ploughed and laid down in English grass from four to five years, the remainder being well-grassed native pasture, watered by springs in the gullies. Is ring-fenced, and subdivided into four paddocks by substantial posts, standards, and wire. Distance from Hakataramea, about thirteen miles; from the Waihao Forks, twelve miles; and from the school reserve, less than half a mile. Average altitude, about 1,500 ft. above sea-level. The improvements, which go with the land, consist of 798 chains of substantial post, standard, and wire fencing, and sheep-yards, valued at £221 8s.

Run No. 85 (southern portion); 598 acres 3 roods: Mixed agricultural and pastoral land, at an altitude about 450 ft. above sea-level. With the exception of two low terraces and watercourses, the section is level throughout, and well watered by the River Waitaki, natural springs, and streams. It is subdivided into nine paddocks by substantial post, standard, and wire fencing, seven and eight wires. The soil varies considerably, ranging from rich deep alluvial loam to light and stony, the whole being well adapted to growing oats, root-crops, turnips, and rape. It has nearly all been cultivated and laid down in English grass five to ten years, and at the present time is laid down to English grasses. Distance from Hakataramea Railway-station, ten miles and a half; from Glenavy, twenty-two miles; and adjoins school reserve. The improvements, which go with the land, consist of 388½ chains of substantial seven- and eight-wire fencing, with posts and standards, valued at £149 9s. There are also a substantial dwellinghouse of six rooms, bath-room, wash-house, &c., overseer's house of five rooms, iron woolshed for eight shearers, shearers' quarters, dip, stable, and coach-house, garden, plantations, and ornamental trees and willows, valued at £490, repayable in twenty-one years, in half-yearly instalments of £19 2s. 2d.

Run No. 85 (northern portion); 985 acres 1 rood: This section consists of mixed agricultural and pastoral land, comprising flat-topped, undulating, and rolling downs, intersected by gullies, some of which are very rough and rocky. Water is obtained from springs in the gullies. The section is ring-fenced, with the exception of the road running through the section and the reserves therein, and is subdivided into three paddocks. About 670 acres have been cultivated and laid down in English grass for five and six years, the remainder in native grasses. The soil on the downs is generally a fair depth and good, on a loamy clay subsoil on a limestone formation, which crops out in the terrace near the south-east corner. A large portion of this section would yield good crops of wheat. The ploughable portion is very suitable for oats, rape, and turnips. The soil on the flat is lighter, but suitable for growing turnips. Altitude, from 436 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level. Distance from Hakataramea, eleven miles; from Glenavy, twenty-two miles; and adjoins school reserve. The improvements, which go with the land, consist of 505 chains of boundary and subdivision fencing, valued at £159 19s.

Run No. 84; 1,711 acres 3 roods: Pastoral land, comprising about 300 acres of flat land on the Waitaki, with soil varying from good to light and stony, suitable for growing rape, turnips, or oats; the remainder consists of very steep high terraces, broken by very rough rocky gullies, and flat-topped downs well grassed. About 200 acres have been ploughed and laid down in English grasses about seven years. This run is divided into three paddocks, the fences being rabbit-proof on eastern boundary. The subdivisional fencing is indifferent. Altitude, from 400 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level. Distance, nineteen miles from Glenavy, and about a mile and a half from school reserve. The improvements, which go with the land, consist of about 706 chains of boundary and subdivision fences, valued at £176 3s. 6d.

Run No. 83; 2,301 acres: Pastoral land, comprising undulating and rolling downs, broken in places by rough gullies. About 1,490 acres have been ploughed and laid down in English grasses from one to eleven years, with the exception of one paddock of about 200 acres. The soil varies from good deep black soil to light and stony on some ridges; the unploughed portion is well grassed with native and other grasses. On most of the ploughed land turnips and rape might be grown. This section is divided into five paddocks, well and substantially fenced with rabbit-proof and wire-and-standard fences. Altitude, about 1,200 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level. Situated about nine miles from the Waihao Forks Railway-station. The improvements, which go with the land, consist of 1,081 chains of boundary and subdivision fencing, valued at £310 14s. 6d.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Otago, open for Selection.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 19th January, 1900.

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

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Pastoral Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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MANIOTOTO COUNTY.—BLACKSTONE SURVEY DISTRICT.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
2, 3, and 4	VIII.	790 3 8	0 5 8 4 10

Grazing land of fair quality; dry; situated on the bank of the Manuherikia River, about two miles from Cambrian's. Valuation for improvements, £79 6s.

CLUTHA COUNTY.—KURIWAO SURVEY DISTRICT.

9, 10, 11	IX. XI.	2,341 2 23	0 4½ 21 19 2
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Rough, open land, good grazing; fair aspect; well watered; situated about three miles from Clinton. Valuation for improvements, £192 18s.

TAIERI COUNTY.—NENTHORN SURVEY DISTRICT.

23	III. IV.	2,548 0 0	0 5 26 10 10
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High grazing land, situated about twelve miles from Middlemarch. Valuation for improvements, £430 11s.

VINCENT COUNTY.—TIGER HILL SURVEY DISTRICT.

Runs 244A and 244B		4,327 3 5	0 2 18 0 8
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Hilly pastoral country, situated between Ophir and Ida Valley. Valuation for improvements, £515 15s.

BRUCE COUNTY.—TABLE HILL SURVEY DISTRICT.

18, 21	V.	427 2 25	0 5 4 9 2
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Grazing land, broken; well watered; situated about two miles from Manuka Creek Railway-station, on the Lawrence-Milton line. Valuation for improvements, £114 19s.

WAIHEMO COUNTY.—WAIHEMO SURVEY DISTRICT.

1	X.	1,378 0 0	0 9 25 16 9
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This run is situated about three miles from Macrae's, and runs down to the Shag River. The land is warm and sunny. Valuation for improvements, £533 18s.

TAIERI COUNTY.—HUMMOCK, NENTHORN, AND SILVER PEAK SURVEY DISTRICTS.

* 2	IX. VIII. VII.	4,938 0 0	0 5½ | 56 11 8
+ 4			
+ 3			

This run is situated fourteen miles from Middlemarch, at the back of Mount Stoker. The soil is light; watered. Valuation for improvements, £658 19s. 6d. Valuation will also be payable for a crop of turnips on the run, valuation to be made before day of sale.

* Hummock. + Nenthorn. ; Silver Peak.

J. P. MAITLAND,
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.

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 1s.

No. o Run.	Area.	Locality.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
3	Acres. 10,500	Hohonu Range ..	£ 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.

Description of Runs.

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.

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. B. P. d.	£ s. d.	
Kaitarau ..	S.G.R. 102	10,244 0 0 80 0 0	1-88	40 0 4 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.

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. 0 3 20	£ s. d. 5 0 0	£ s. d. 4 7 6	s. d. 5 0	s. d. 2 2	s. d. 4 0	s. d. 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.

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, 10 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.

Land in Rangiatea 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.

A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
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.

A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
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.

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.
7 and 8	A. R. P. 9 0 0	£ s. d. 1 13 0	£ s. d. 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.

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, four-teen 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.

Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office, Dunedin,
12th January, 1900.

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

PASTORAL LANDS

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

Run 212a (Class II.), Tuapeka County: Area, 1,654 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £27: situated one mile to the east of Dusky Hill, and five miles north of Kelso Railway-station.

Run 51 (Class II.), Tuapeka County: Area, 6,450 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £80: situated on south side of Waipori River, one mile west of Waipori Township.

Run 51b (Class II.), Tuapeka County: Area, 1,400 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25: situated between Run 51 on the north-east and Waitahuna River on the south-west.

Run 51c (Class II.), Tuapeka County: Area, 1,400 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25: situated between Run 51b on the north and Waitahuna River on the south-west, three miles south of Waipori Township.

Runs 179, 163, and 163a (grouped), (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 16,200 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £180: situated on Clutha River, three miles below Dunkeld, and including northern slopes of Tapanui Mountains.

Runs 479 and 480 (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 8,000 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £45: situated three miles west of Roxburgh, and lying between northern spur of Mount Bengier on the east and Pomahaka River on the west.

Sections 40 to 43, Block I., Crookston District, and Run 178 (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 2,120 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25: situated on the west bank of the Clutha River, two miles below Dunkeld.

Run 96 (Class I.), Clutha County: Area, 2,900 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £50: situated four miles south of Warepa Railway-station, and lying between Kaihiku Range on the north and Kaihiku Stream on the south.

Run 96a (Class I.), Clutha County: Area, 1,970 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £35: adjoining the above-mentioned Run 96 on the west.

Runs 308a, 261f, and 261g (grouped), (Class I.), Maniototo and Vincent Counties: Area, 21,360 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £400: situated seven miles west of Hamiltons, and lying between Upper Taieri River on the east and over Rough Ridge to Poolburn on the west.

Section 3, Block XVII., Greenvale District (Class II.), Tuapeka County: Area, 320 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £5: adjoining Run 212a on the east, before described.

Run 37, Wakatipu (Class I.), Lake County: Area, 261 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £5: situated immediately opposite Arrowtown Extension, across Arrow River.

Run 38, Wakatipu (Class I.), Lake County: Area, 274 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £10; adjacent to and south of Run 37, described above.

Section 7, Block III., Catlin's District (Class I.), Clutha County: Area, 726 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £6: situated five miles north-west from Glenomaru Railway-station, at head of Glenomaru Stream.

Sections 47 and 48, Block I., Crookston District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 566 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £7: situated one mile and a half north-west from Dunkeld (Beaumont).

Sections 1 to 5, Block XVI., and 45 and 46, Block I., Crookston District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 1,529 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £19: situated one mile and a half west of Dunkeld (Beaumont).

Sections 3 and 4, Block XV., Crookston District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 393 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £5: situated five miles north of Dunkeld (Beaumont).

Sections 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 15, Block XV., Crookston District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 1,051 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £13: situated two miles north of Beaumont (Dunkeld).

Section 1, Block VIII., Silver Peak District (Class II.), Taieri County: Area, 2,118 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £75: situated five miles up Three-o'clock Creek from Hindon Railway-station.

Sections 79 to 94, Block II., Earnslaw District (Class I.), Lake County: Area, 836 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £1: situated seven miles from Glenorchy, up Rees River.

Run 51a (Class II.), Tuapeka and Bruce Counties: Area, 10,460 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £150: situated about four miles west of Berwick, between Waipori River and the Meggat Burn.

Run 140a (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 5,794 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £40: situated about two miles west of Pomahaka Railway-station.

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

Valuations for improvements in respect of the above runs must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Dunedin, before the licensee will be let into possession.

Such valuations shall, exclusive of the value of a rabbit-proof fence, in no case exceed three times the amount of the average annual rental paid under the expired or expiring license during the term thereof, and five times such amount in cases where the annual rental does not exceed £50.

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

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee (£1 ls.), on fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
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 WHEETMAN,
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.

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	XVIII.	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.

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.		
			A.	R.	P.	£	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 ls. lease-fee.

2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.

3. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.

4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified above, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.

5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.

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

7. The land shall not be cropped nor broken up, 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.

Reserves in Canterbury for Lease by Written Tender.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders will be received, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, up to 12 noon on Wednesday, the 28th February, 1900, for the leases of the under-mentioned reserves.

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

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Reserve.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
PIGEON BAY SURVEY DISTRICT.				
60	II.	478 0 0	59 15 0	6 years 9 months from 1/4/1900.
61	II.	323 0 0	56 10 6	7 years.
62A	I.	30 0 0	5 5 0	"
GERALDINE SURVEY DISTRICT.				
Part 1650	VII.	85 0 24	4 5 0	5 years.

Locality and Description of Reserves.

Reserve No. 60 is situated near Godley Head, between Taylor's Mistake and Lyttelton Harbour, and comprises open hill, ranging from sea-level to 804ft. elevation, and carrying native and English grasses.

Reserve No. 61 is situated at Adderley Head, Port Lyttelton, access thereto being obtainable only by water. The land occupied by the Lyttelton Harbour Board's pilot-station in Little Port Cooper, the site of the look-out house on the head, and right of way between the two are reserved from lease. The reserve consists of pastoral hill-land, carrying native and English grasses.

Reserve No. 62A is situated at Camp Bay, Port Lyttelton, and comprises land of the same quality as Reserve No. 61. The lessee will be required to keep securely fenced off the point within the reserve on which are situated some graves.

Part of Reserve No. 1650 is situated on the south-east side of the main line of railway, about two miles and a half south-west of the South Rangitata Station, and comprises open plain tussock land of light quality.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. 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.

2. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender, except in the case of Reserve No. 60, of which possession will be given on 1st April, 1900.

3. The leases will be for the terms stated in the Schedule, dating in each case from 1st January, 1900, except in the case of Reserve No. 60, the lease of which will date from 1st April, 1900.

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

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

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

7. The land shall be used for grazing purposes only, and shall not be broken up or cropped without the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

8. 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.

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, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

10. The rent shall be payable half-yearly, in advance, free of all deductions whatsoever.

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

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Waimate County, Canterbury, for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 20th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, and the Land Office, Timaru, on Tuesday, the 27th February, 1900, at the annual rental noted below.

If the run be not applied for on the 27th February, 1900, it will be open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

In case of more than one application on the same day, 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.—WAIMATE COUNTY.—SMALL GRAZING-RUN No. 66.

First-class Pastoral Country.

Survey District.	Section No.	Block.	Area.	Rental per Acre.		Annual Rental.
				£	s. d.	
Hakataramea Meyer	86206	XV., XVI. II.	3,208 2	9	120 6 4	

This run is situated on the slopes of the Station Peak Range, which extends from the junction of the Hakataramea and Waitaki Rivers to the north branch of the Waihao River. It comprises high open hill country, the spurs being intersected by deep rough gullies, making the block in general difficult of access. The country is throughout of purely pastoral character, the vegetation consisting of native and English grasses with snow-grass only on the higher altitudes; it is fairly well watered by springs and streams, but is liable to burn up in a dry season, and, as the elevation ranges from about 1,000 ft. up to 3,500 ft. above sea-level, it is liable to heavy falls of snow in winter.

The run faces the Waitaki River, about eight miles south-easterly from the Hakataramea Railway-station; the distance from Waimate being about twenty-three miles, and from Hakataramea about fourteen miles.

The run is weighted with the valuation of £468 10s. for good six-roomed dwellinghouse, yards, boundary and subdivision fencing, and surface-sowing.

Possession of the run will be given to the successful applicant for the same as soon as the application has been approved by the Land Board, and the necessary deposit and valuation paid.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The term of lease is twenty-one years, with the option of renewal for a further period of twenty-one years at a rent

to be fixed by valuation, and improvements being secured to lessee as provided by "The Land Act, 1892," section 182. Each lessee of a small grazing-run is required to make the declaration as per form printed below.

2. No person can lease more than one run.

3. Residence on small grazing-runs is compulsory, and commences within three years in bush or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, unless the lessee obtain the consent of the Land Board to reside on other land in his occupation.

4. Permanent improvements must be effected equal to one year's rental by the end of the first year, two years' rental by the end of the second year, and four years' rental at the end of the sixth year; and on bush land, in addition thereto, improvements must be made to the value of 10s. an acre if first-class land, or of 5s. an acre if second-class land.

5. One half-year's rent and £1 1s. for the lease, and the amount of valuation for improvements, must be paid immediately the application is declared successful; the rent to be paid half-yearly in advance during the term of the lease.

6. The lessee has no right to purchase any part of the land; but he can select 150 acres around the homestead through which no road can be taken or other public privilege exercised without compensation.

DECLARATION.

I, _____ of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare—

1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.

2. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease of Run No.†

3. That I am purchasing such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

4. That I am not already the holder of any such lease in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such lease.

5. That I am not the holder of any run under Part VI. of the aforesaid Act, nor have I any interest in any such run.

6. That I do not own any freehold land or land held by lease or license of any kind whatever anywhere in the colony, either by myself or jointly with any other person, which, exclusive of the land I am now purchasing the lease of, will exceed in area 1,000 acres.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 19 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
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 Ranfurly Railway-station. Possession on day of sale.

Run 244n 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.

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.
Blue Mountain	2	II.	A. R. P. 582 0 0	s. d. 3 0	£ s. d. 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.

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.

Pastoral Run, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 24th January, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned land will be offered for sale by auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

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

RUN No. 145, Block VII., Onamalutu Survey District: 712 acres; upset annual rental, £5; term, twenty-one years. Average height, 1,200 ft.; 380 acres green bush, 230 acres burnt bush, remainder fern, scrub, and grass; very broken; poor soil; well watered. Weighted with £50, value for improvements.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Marlborough, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 24th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application on Tuesday, the 27th February, 1900, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—ONAMALUTU SURVEY DISTRICT.
Second-class Pastoral Land.

S.G. Run.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
155	VI.	A. R. P. 676 0 0	s. d. 0 2·25	£ s. d. 3 3 4

Average height, 1,000 ft.; 220 acres green bush, 260 acres burnt bush, remainder fern and scrub; broken pastoral country; poor soil; well watered. About seventeen miles from Blenheim by road. Weighted with £45, valuation for improvements.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Taupiri for Lease in Perpetuity.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

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

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

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

Application under Section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," dismissed.

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT, WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

In the matter of an application by Mrs. Jane Brown under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for amendment of partition orders for Sections 24 and 25, Block IV., and Section 2, Block III., Waitara Survey District.

IT is hereby notified that the above application has been dismissed.

Dated at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1900.

GEO. B. DAVY, Chief Judge.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Puatai Block.

IN THE NATIVE APPELLATE COURT, NEW ZEALAND.

In the matter of the Puatai Block, and of an appeal by Mihi Hetekia and others against the decision of the Native Land Court given on the 6th day of May, 1898, determining the relative shares and interests in the said land.

NOTICE is hereby given that, by notice to the Registrar, and with leave of the Chief Judge, the said appeal has been withdrawn.

Dated at Gisborne, this 30th day of January, 1900.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 27th January, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Gisborne on the 19th day of February, 1900, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Gisborne, 00-3.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
11	Transfer	27th April, 1898 ..	Mangatu No. 2F ..	Hoera Whakamihia to F. J. Tiffen.
12	Transfer	21st December, 1899..	Kaiti 336	Raharuhi Rukupo, Mahemahe Rangikahiwa, and Eruera te Kura, to H. G. Tucker.

APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 65 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
13	E. C. Goldsmith, Chief Surveyor	Hangaroa-Matawai No. 2	£ s. d. 16 12 8
14	Rapata Taita	Pakarae Nos. 1A and 1C	27 6 0
15	Rapata Taita	Pakarae Nos. 2B, 2C, 2D, and 2E	16 10 0

APPLICATIONS, UNDER SUBSECTION (11) OF SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR APPORTIONMENT OF RENT.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
16	P. Sheridan	Whakaangi No. 2.
17	P. Sheridan	Whakaangi No. 5A.
18	P. Sheridan	Whakaangi No. 5B.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 5th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Hastings on the 28th day of February, 1900, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 00-5.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
378	Transfer (1900-20) ..	5th December, 1899 ..	Hutt, Section 16, Sub-division 26	Hori te Puni and others to Alexander Leslie.

APPLICATION FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
379	Hori Hershore and others	Te Piripiri.

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

No.	Names of Applicants.	Names of Lands to be exchanged.
400	{ Henare Tomoana and Wiremu Muhunga Broughton	Omabu No. 3. Riverslea, Block IX., Section 153.

APPLICATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
401	Karaitiana te Ahu	Manawatu-Kukutaauaki No. 3, Section 1A, Nos. 8 and 9.
402	Arona Haimona	Manawatu-Kukutaauaki No. 3, Section 1A, No. 19.

Lands referred to the Native Land Court for Inquiry under Section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 5th February, 1900.

IN pursuance of Orders in Council dated as under, declaring that it shall be within the jurisdiction of the Native Land Court to determine whether or not the lands set forth in the Schedule hereto, or any part thereof, were, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such lands, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such lands, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said lands all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection (10) of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is hereby notified that at a sitting of the Native Land Court to be held at Hastings on the 28th day of February, 1900, and succeeding days, the Court will proceed to inquire into the above cases, in accordance with the terms of the said Orders in Council.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Land.	District.	Area.	Date of Order in Council.
403	Wharerangi (Na. 345-1, 2/120)	Hawke's Bay	1,845 acres, more or less ..	14th June, 1897.
404	Tuhirangi (Na. 289-7, 2/119)	Hawke's Bay	1,025 acres, more or less ..	14th June, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that all applications relating to the Mangamaire and Porangahau Blocks will be taken at Porangahau after the business of the Court at Hastings has been finished.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE for Management during the Month of January, 1900.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Order, or Date of Filing of Election to administer.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Adcock, John	Richmond, Canterb'y	.. .. .	9 Jan., 1900	21 April, 1899	Relatives known.
2	Blakeney, George	Sanson	England	30 Jan., 1900	25 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
3	Brooks, Richard	Pokeno	Ireland	11 Jan., 1900	5 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
4	Byrne, Ephraim Roderick	Neavesville	Ireland	18 Jan., 1900	6 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
5	Cacace, Nicola Salvator	Lyell .. .. .	.. .. .	29 Jan., 1900	11 Dec., 1899	Probate.
6	Cairns, James Loraine	Dunedin	Berwickshire	12 Dec., 1899	12 Nov., 1897	.. .. .
7	Cameron, William Flint	Roslyn .. .. .	.. .. .	15 Jan., 1900	15 Dec., 1899	Probate.
8	Challenger, Herbert	Wellington .. .. .	.. .. .	16 Jan., 1900	6 Jan., 1899	Relatives known.
9	Christie, Robert	Puerua .. .. .	.. .. .	29 Jan., 1900	25 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
10	Cox, Eliza	Greymouth .. .. .	.. .. .	29 Jan., 1900	20 Oct., 1899	Probate.
11	Curtis, Emma	Te Karaka .. .. .	.. .. .	30 Jan., 1900	7 Jan., 1900	.. .. .
12	Diviny, John .. .. .	.. .. .	Killomorran, Irel'd	30 Jan., 1900	28 Oct., 1899	.. .. .
13	Gibson, Mary Ann	Wellington .. .. .	.. .. .	12 Jan., 1900	15 Dec., 1899	Will annexed.
14	Gobbitt, Edward Kapteyn	Springbrook	Suffolk	9 Jan., 1900	18 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
15	Groat, James	Lyttelton	Scotland	9 Jan., 1900	19 Nov., 1899	.. .. .
16	Harris, Jonathan	Wairio, Otago	England	30 Jan., 1900	19 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
17	Hogg, Peter Dodds	Wanganui .. .. .	.. .. .	29 Jan., 1900	26 Dec., 1899	Probate.
18	Holt, Kitty	Clyde .. .. .	.. .. .	12 Jan., 1900	21 April, 1899	Probate.
19	Johnson, James	Charleston	Shetland	9 Jan., 1900	21 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
20	Jourdain, William Edward	Auckland	England	29 Jan., 1900	12 Dec., 1899	Probate.
21	Lamb, Joseph	Oxford	England	18 Jan., 1900	29 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
22	Luscombe, Charles	Waitekauri	Devonshire	29 Jan., 1900	29 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
23	Lyons, Timothy	New Brighton	Ireland	9 Jan., 1900	30 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
24	Mason, Alexander	Alexandra	Ireland	30 Jan., 1900	22 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
25	Mears, John Thomas	Waerangi .. .. .	.. .. .	14 Oct., 1899	25 Aug., 1899	Probate.
26	Milner, Henry	Ashburton	England	12 Jan., 1900	7 Dec., 1899	Relatives known.
27	Moulten, Charles Ethelbert .. .. .	.. .. .	Collingwood, Melbourne	4 Jan., 1900	29 Nov., 1899	.. .. .
28	McCallum, William	Pembroke	Scotland	18 Jan., 1900	23 Aug., 1899	Relatives known.
29	McCormick, Peter	Oamaru .. .. .	.. .. .	4 Jan., 1900	29 May, 1899	.. .. .
30	McHugh, Annie	Invercargill	Ireland	9 Jan., 1900	26 Sept., 1899	.. .. .
31	Nesbitt, Mary	Gisborne .. .. .	.. .. .	11 Jan., 1900	22 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
32	Reynolds, Rose	Seacliff .. .. .	.. .. .	29 Jan., 1900	14 Dec., 1899	Relatives known.
33	Stewart, William Charles	Tauranga .. .. .	.. .. .	29 Jan., 1900	9 Dec., 1899	Probate.
34	Sweeney, Patrick	Reefton .. .. .	.. .. .	4 Jan., 1900	8 Dec., 1899	.. .. .
35	Templeton, Robert	Waikaka Valley	Scotland	9 Jan., 1900	13 Nov., 1899	.. .. .
36	Turner, Walter Henry	Gore	England	29 Jan., 1900	23 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
37	Williams, Ann (otherwise Anne Williams)	Halswell	Wales	29 Jan., 1900	2 Dec., 1899	Will annexed.
38	Wilson, John Kidd	South Dunedin	Scotland	16 Jan., 1900	11 Dec., 1899	Relatives known.
39	Winger, Johanna	Norsewood .. .. .	.. .. .	12 Jan., 1900	22 June, 1898	Relatives known.

Dated the 3rd day of February, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 6th January, 1900, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1899.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	44	12	56	45	48	93
2nd Class	280	560	840	204	994	1,198
Total	324	572	896	249	1,042	1,291
Season Tickets	..	..	4	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	19	..	..	33
Horses	..	..	3	..	..	1
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	13	..	..	3
Total	..	..	35	..	..	37
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cattle	..	..	1	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	148	..	..	56
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	149	..	..	57
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	8	..	..	3
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	120	..	..	102
Minerals	..	..	266	..	..	368
Total	..	..	394	..	..	473
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	44 8 1	..	..	43 0 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	3 15 11	..	..	4 5 7
Goods	..	..	109 0 3	..	..	83 18 2
Miscellaneous	..	..	0 16 0	..	..	0 10 0
Rents and Commission	..	..	..	..	..	1 4 0
Total	..	..	£158 0 3	..	..	£132 18 8

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	154	160	314	213	188	401
2nd Class	954	1,736	2,690	1,129	1,904	3,033
Total	1,108	1,896	3,004	1,342	2,092	3,434
Season Tickets	..	..	1	..	..	1
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	197	..	..	120
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	2
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	5	..	..	7
Total	..	..	202	..	..	129
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	2	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	16	..	..	12
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	60	..	..	245
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	78	..	..	257
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	80
Timber	..	..	696	..	..	645
Grain	..	..	38	..	..	80
Merchandise	..	..	200	..	..	301
Minerals	..	..	3,773	..	..	3,088
Total	..	..	4,707	..	..	4,144
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	140 11 0	..	..	152 12 1
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	10 12 9	..	..	9 2 9
Goods	..	..	755 3 6	..	..	689 5 1
Miscellaneous	..	..	4 11 5	..	..	1 18 0
Rents and Commission	..	..	26 4 4	..	..	21 18 11
Total	..	..	£937 3 0	..	..	£874 16 10

KAIHU SECTION.

	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	4	178	182	10	260	270
2nd Class	81	2,628	2,709	118	2,926	3,044
Total	85	2,806	2,891	128	3,186	3,314
Season Tickets	..	..	2	..	..	2
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	96	..	..	124
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	1	..	..	9
Total	..	..	97	..	..	133
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	42
Timber	..	..	720	..	..	1,465
Grain	..	..	1	..	..	2
Merchandise	..	..	161	..	..	143
Minerals	..	..	..	..	..	61
Total	..	..	882	..	..	1,718
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	153 9 4	..	..	169 2 6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	6 14 5	..	..	9 13 0
Goods	..	..	218 9 10	..	..	377 11 4
Miscellaneous	..	..	11 3 10	..	..	18 15 10
Rents and Commission	..	..	17 1 6	..	..	15 7 6
Total	..	..	£406 18 11	..	..	£590 10 2

AUCKLAND SECTION.

	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	2,179	7,408	9,587	2,287	6,850	9,137
2nd Class	11,599	107,574	119,173	10,788	102,402	113,190
Total	13,778	114,982	128,760	13,075	109,252	122,327
Season Tickets	..	..	638	..	..	583
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	7,780	..	..	6,909
Horses	..	..	90	..	..	100
Carriages	..	..	5	..	..	9
Dogs	..	..	272	..	..	217
Total	..	..	8,147	..	..	7,235
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	16	..	..	12
Cattle	..	..	820	..	..	843
Calves	..	..	100	..	..	39
Sheep	..	..	8,272	..	..	12,728
Pigs	..	..	33	..	..	60
Total	..	..	9,241	..	..	13,682
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	276	..	..	378
Firewood	..	..	503	..	..	373
Timber	..	..	192	..	..	240
Grain	..	..	1,458	..	..	962
Merchandise	..	..	2,411	..	..	773
Minerals	..	..	3,452	..	..	2,799
Total	..	..	7,146	..	..	7,467
Total	..	..	15,438	..	..	12,992
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	8,270 19 3	..	..	8,167 11 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	686 8 4	..	..	642 4 7
Goods	..	..	7,131 15 4	..	..	6,567 3 10
Miscellaneous	..	..	27 6 9	..	..	16 3 2
Rents and Commission	..	..	395 19 0	..	..	376 0 4
Total	..	..	£16,512 8 8	..	..	£15,769 3 10

WELLINGTON-NAPIER-NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

1900.			1899.			
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	2,752	27,818	30,570	2,863	25,038	27,901
2nd Class	15,192	142,476	157,668	14,540	130,078	144,618
Total	17,944	170,294	188,238	17,403	155,116	172,519

Season Tickets		No.	No.
..		1,063	1,020

PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.
Parcels	..	15,738	15,245
Horses	..	562	490
Carriages	..	20	14
Dogs	..	809	730
Total	..	17,127	16,479

GOODS,—		No.	No.
Drays	..	19	11
Cattle	..	1,683	1,038
Calves	..	48	76
Sheep	..	86,440	106,913
Pigs	..	567	467
Total	..	88,757	108,505

Chaff, Lime, &c.		Tons.	Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	816	246
Wool	..	7,463	6,911
Firewood	..	2,666	2,156
Timber	..	6,387	6,325
Grain	..	3,570	1,555
Merchandise	..	8,580	10,448
Minerals	..	3,919	3,503
Total	..	33,401	31,144

REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	17,112	19	3	15,656	5	4
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	2,079	5	8	1,956	12	1
Goods	..	20,437	12	0	19,233	14	7
Miscellaneous	..	437	9	5	526	1	5
Rents and Commission	..	1,422	13	10	1,255	9	8
Total	..	£41,490	0	2	£38,628	3	1

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

1900.			1899.			
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	6,177	43,118	49,295	5,270	48,958	54,228
2nd Class	29,850	314,688	344,538	27,134	282,218	309,352
Total	36,027	357,806	393,833	32,404	331,176	363,580

Season Tickets		No.	No.
..		1,976	1,782

PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.
Parcels	..	28,564	28,824
Horses	..	416	459
Carriages	..	66	49
Dogs	..	888	986
Total	..	29,934	30,318

GOODS,—		No.	No.
Drays	..	49	60
Cattle	..	1,645	1,293
Calves	..	151	32
Sheep	..	61,941	106,591
Pigs	..	1,356	1,301
Total	..	65,142	109,277

Chaff, Lime, &c.		Tons.	Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	2,118	1,668
Wool	..	17,924	16,278
Firewood	..	1,432	1,458
Timber	..	7,925	7,806
Grain	..	32,190	11,160
Merchandise	..	24,660	22,003
Minerals	..	25,956	25,480
Total	..	112,255	85,853

REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	34,091	8	3	31,001	1	2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	3,223	13	8	3,332	9	7
Goods	..	40,623	10	6	35,783	4	0
Miscellaneous	..	1,102	18	9	679	8	3
Rents and Commission	..	2,619	14	4	2,213	10	9
Total	..	£81,661	5	6	£73,009	13	9

GREYMOUTH-BRUNNER SECTION.

1900.			1899.			
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	59	824	883	68	840	908
2nd Class	1,355	21,826	23,181	1,239	23,112	24,351
Total	1,414	22,650	24,064	1,307	23,952	25,259

Season Tickets		No.	No.
..		15	10

PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.
Parcels	..	789	744
Horses	..	58	41
Carriages	..	1	..
Dogs	..	23	39
Total	..	871	824

GOODS,—		No.	No.
Drays	..	..	1
Cattle	..	26	22
Calves	..	1	2
Sheep	..	554	346
Pigs	..	61	24
Total	..	642	395

Chaff, Lime, &c.		Tons.	Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	42	6
Wool	..	6	21
Firewood	..	18	12
Timber	..	1,224	962
Grain	..	126	120
Merchandise	..	447	330
Minerals	..	11,961	11,940
Total	..	13,824	13,391

REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	553	4	8	572	14	2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	33	3	0	29	1	7
Goods	..	1,702	4	6	1,560	17	0
Miscellaneous	..	161	4	9	125	3	2
Rents and Commission	..	34	15	8	36	0	8
Total	..	£2,484	12	7	£2,323	16	7

GREYMOUTH-HOKITIKA SECTION.

1900.			1899.			
PASSENGERS,—	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	68	920	988	64	984	1,048
2nd Class	767	8,960	9,727	864	8,920	9,784
Total	835	9,880	10,715	928	9,904	10,832

Season Tickets		No.	No.
..		0	6

PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.	No.
Parcels	..	275	298
Horses	..	58	53
Carriages	..	..	..
Dogs	..	24	33
Total	..	357	384

GOODS,—		No.	No.
Drays	..	..	1
Cattle	..	1	21
Calves	..	..	..
Sheep	..	212	152
Pigs	..	17	6
Total	..	230	180

Chaff, Lime, &c.		Tons.	Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	6	..
Wool	..	3	9
Firewood	..	6	30
Timber	..	650	507
Grain	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	718	711
Minerals	..	142	109
Total	..	1,525	1,366

REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	647	12	3	650	7	6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	54	18	6	56	2	8
Goods	..	430	7	2	433	8	9
Miscellaneous	..	Dr. 3	2	7	Dr. 3	10	3
Rents and Commission	..	16	8	0	16	14	0
Total	..	£1,146	3	4	£1,153	2	8

WESTPORT SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	11	182	193	5	120	125
2nd Class	757	8,576	9,333	817	11,698	12,515
Total	768	8,758	9,526	822	11,818	12,640
Season Tickets	4	..	..	1
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.
Parcels	245	..	..	290
Horses
Carriages
Dogs	10	..	..	6
Total	255	..	..	296
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.
Drays
Cattle	4
Calves
Sheep	26	..	..	31
Pigs
Total	26	..	..	35
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons. 12	..	..	Tons. 12
Wool
Firewood	168	..	..	132
Timber	153	..	..	133
Grain	65	..	..	1
Merchandise	184	..	..	234
Minerals	18,445	..	..	17,506
Total	19,027	..	..	18,018
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.	..	..	£ s. d.
Passengers	386 0 6	..	..	484 18 6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	15 14 3	..	..	19 0 0
Goods	2,442 9 4	..	..	2,444 2 4
Miscellaneous	76 2 9	..	..	80 7 4
Rents and Commission	78 14 0	..	..	61 14 0
Total	£2,999 0 10	..	..	£3,090 2 2
NELSON SECTION.						
PASSENGERS,—	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	93	476	569	58	620	678
2nd Class	1,075	8,018	9,093	969	6,854	7,823
Total	1,168	8,494	9,662	1,027	7,474	8,501
Season Tickets	8	..	..	5
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.
Parcels	303	..	..	249
Horses	1	..	..	..
Carriages	1	..	..	..
Dogs	25	..	..	22
Total	330	..	..	271
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.
Drays	2	..	..	1
Cattle
Calves
Sheep
Pigs
Total	2	..	..	1

NELSON SECTION—continued.

	1900.			1899.		
	Tons.			Tons.		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	36	..	..	36
Wool	211	..	..	194
Firewood	198	..	..	174
Timber	276	..	..	259
Grain	107	..	..	109
Merchandise	187	..	..	173
Minerals	226	..	..	185
Total	1,241	..	..	1,130
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.	..	..	£ s. d.
Passengers	446 17 7	..	..	447 16 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	34 13 4	..	..	29 5 3
Goods	478 12 10	..	..	437 0 11
Miscellaneous	34 15 8	..	..	29 5 1
Rents and Commission	17 10 8	..	..	16 4 0
Total	£1,012 10 1	..	..	£959 12 2
PICTON SECTION.						
PASSENGERS,—	1900.			1899.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	172	1,908	2,080	150	948	1,098
2nd Class	739	8,184	8,923	659	6,050	6,709
Total	911	10,092	11,003	809	6,998	7,807
Season Tickets	0	..	..	1
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.
Parcels	97	..	..	19
Horses	9	..	..	..
Carriages
Dogs	23	..	..	10
Total	129	..	..	29
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.
Drays	5
Cattle
Calves
Sheep	59	..	..	185
Pigs
Total	59	..	..	190
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons. 43	..	..	Tons. 162
Wool	27	..	..	476
Firewood	360	..	..	240
Timber	2	..	..	8
Grain	184	..	..	97
Merchandise	306	..	..	135
Minerals	396	..	..	..
Total	1,323	..	..	1,118
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.	..	..	£ s. d.
Passengers	524 19 11	..	..	413 18 6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	19 11 5	..	..	10 2 9
Goods	365 13 6	..	..	376 5 11
Miscellaneous	30 13 11	..	..	48 18 5
Rents and Commission	51 16 0	..	..	43 11 6
Total	£992 14 9	..	..	£892 17 1
A. C. FIFE,						
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.						
Railway Department, 6th February, 1900.						

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1899-1900.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 6th January, 1900.

Section.	Miles open for Traffic.	REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.		Per Cent. of Revenue.	FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE.	
		Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Four-weekly.	Total to Date.		Revenue per Mile of Railway.	Expenditure per Mile of Railway.
NORTH ISLAND,—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Kawakawa ..	8	158 0 3	1,255 15 2	138 2 5	1,425 3 8	113.49	204 1 3	231 11 10
Whangarei ..	21	937 3 0	9,284 6 9	486 10 7	5,844 11 1	62.95	574 14 11	361 16 1
Kaihu ..	17	406 18 11	4,325 1 11	262 12 8	3,328 16 6	76.97	330 14 10	254 11 2
Auckland ..	327	16,512 8 8	124,428 3 4	7,442 4 5	88,314 18 3	66.96	494 13 4	331 4 5
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	41,490 0 2	299,156 12 8	22,637 12	0222,035 4 7	74.22	862 6 3	640 0 3
Total ..	824	59,504 11 0	438,449 19 10	30,967 2	1315,948 14 1	72.06		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,173	81,661 5 6	674,628 15 1	39,133 14 3	425,461 12 8	63.07	751 15 2	474 2 1
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	2,484 12 7	22,176 9 7	1,041 7 0	9,506 5 7	42.87	3,603 13 6	1,544 15 5
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	1,146 3 4	8,197 18 5	391 17 9	4,933 3 6	60.18	444 1 1	267 4 3
Westport ..	31	2,999 0 10	41,239 5 9	1,454 5 5	17,523 9 9	42.44	1,731 9 9	734 17 1
Nelson ..	23	1,012 10 1	8,491 12 9	962 8 11	10,277 9 9	121.03	479 19 3	580 18 0
Pieter ..	21	992 14 9	7,953 17 7	1,143 11 4	8,314 18 2	104.54	492 7 8	514 14 8
Total ..	1,280	90,296 7 1	762,737 19 2	44,127 4 8	476,016 19 5	62.41		
Grand total ..	2,104	149,800 18 1	1,201,187 19 0	75,094 6 9	791,965 13 6	65.93		

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Kawakawa ..	8	132 18 8	1,686 12 9	162 13 1	2,086 16 8	123.73	274 1 7	339 2 2
Whangarei ..	22	874 16 10	9,795 4 8	525 19 9	5,504 5 0	56.19	692 1 1	388 17 9
Kaihu ..	17	590 10 2	6,217 19 5	253 19 3	3,501 6 7	56.31	475 9 10	267 14 11
Auckland ..	332	15,769 3 10	118,170 10 6	6,500 4 5	78,551 3 10	66.47	490 0 5	325 14 7
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	38,628 3 1	282,086 0 3	23,550 1 1	199,790 0 0	70.33	813 2 2	575 12 8
Total ..	830	55,995 12 7	417,956 7 7	30,992 17 7	289,433 12 1	69.25		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,154	73,009 13 9	592,273 15 1	32,841 1 0	370,900 13 5	62.62	673 6 8	421 13 3
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	2,323 16 7	18,296 16 9	919 12 2	10,387 0 7	56.77	2,973 4 9	1,687 17 10
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	1,153 2 8	8,051 10 7	457 7 4	4,688 4 11	58.23	486 2 6	253 18 11
Westport ..	31	3,090 2 2	39,628 14 4	1,557 9 3	16,192 5 3	40.86	1,661 17 0	679 0 7
Nelson ..	23	959 12 2	8,035 8 9	972 16 0	11,407 14 2	141.97	454 3 6	644 15 8
Pieter ..	21	892 17 1	6,454 8 1	921 18 9	7,635 3 10	118.29	399 11 2	472 13 1
Total ..	1,261	81,429 4 5	672,740 13 7	37,670 4 6	421,211 2 2	62.61		
Grand total ..	2,091	137,424 17 0	1,090,697 1 2	68,663 2 1	710,644 14 3	65.15		

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

Railway Department, 6th February, 1900.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TRAFFIC ON ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1899, to 6th January, 1900.

All Sections.	Passengers.					Season Tickets.	Number.					Number.						
	First Class.		Second Class.		Total.		Total.	Parcels.	Horses.	Carriages.	Dogs.	Total.	Drays, &c.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
	S.	R.	S.	R.	Total.													
1899	89,699	570,774	486,203	2,840,332	3,987,008	46,710	473,218	8,544	855	20,157	502,774	932	48,673	2,017	1,592,867	27,483	1,671,972	
1898	87,818	528,968	455,723	2,602,352	3,674,861	40,899	442,820	7,920	755	18,695	470,190	725	41,916	2,589	1,501,893	23,706	1,570,829	
Inc.	1,881	41,806	30,480	237,980	312,147	5,811	30,398	624	100	1,462	32,584	207	6,757	..	90,974	3,777	101,143	
Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	572	..	..	..

All Sections.	Tons.															
	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.	
	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.
1899	59,290	0 0	63,885	4 0	71,770	0 0	253,444	3 0	599,725	3 0	393,808	4 0	934,032	19 0	2,375,955	13 0
1898	68,662	0 0	62,405	8 0	70,884	0 0	241,601	4 0	908,681	8 0	354,587	18 0	885,679	3 0	1,992,501	1 0
Increase	..	..	1,479	16 0	886	0 0	11,842	19 0	291,043	15 0	39,220	6 0	48,353	16 0	383,454	12 0
Decrease	9,372	0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

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

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

A. C. I. I. T.
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

Railway Department, 6th February, 1900.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE WALTER KEMPTON, of Waihi, Butcher, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at Messrs. Mackay and Pratt's office, Paeroa, on Friday, the 9th day of February, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 1st February, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE BURNS, of Napier, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Napier, on Tuesday, the 13th day of February, 1900, at 11.30 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Napier, 31st January, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that FREDERICK JANSON, of Manners Street, Tailor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 9th day of February, 1900, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 2nd February, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ERNEST BEGUELY, of Wellington, Restaurant-keeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 8th day of February, 1900, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 3rd February, 1900.

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

Name of company: Golden Lead Mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1890; 30th October, 1890.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; Thomas Hubert Lee.

Nominal capital: £12,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £10,759 17s. 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: Nil.

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

Number of shares allotted: 24,000.

Amount paid per share: 9s.

Amount called up per share: 9s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £40 2s. 4d.

Number of shares forfeited and now in name of company: 6,575.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 69.

Present number of shareholders: 33.

Number of men employed by company: 2.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 12 dwt. 3 gr.; £2 8s. 6d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,170 oz. 14 dwt. 18 gr.; £8,729 8s. 8d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £462 4s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £17,897 19s. 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: £1 9s. 2d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £155 6s. 3d.

Amount of debts considered good: £132 9s. 6d.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £198 13s. 9d.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, the Manager of the Golden Lead 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 30th 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."

T. HUBERT LEE,
Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 24th day of January, 1900, before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 192

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tuapeka Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 31st July, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lawrence, Otago; John J. Woods.

Nominal capital: £2,800.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,800.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,500.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £300.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,800; £2,500.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,800.

Number of shares allotted: 2,800.

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: 26.

Present number of shareholders: 34.

Number of men employed by company: 7.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 705 oz. 17 dwt. 4 gr.; £2,717 17s. 10d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 907 oz. 17 dwt. 9 gr.; £3,495 11s. 4d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,664 9s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration: £5,074 11s. 4d.

Total amount of dividends declared: £770.

Total amount of dividends paid: £770.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £90.

Amount of cash at banker's: £125 3s. 11d.

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, John Joseph Woods, of Lawrence, Otago, the Manager of the Tuapeka 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 present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN J. WOODS,
Manager.

Declared at Lawrence, this 24th day of January, 1900, before me—Francis Oudaille, J.P. 213

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Evans Flat Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 14th August, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lawrence, Otago; John J. Woods.

Nominal capital: £2,800.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,800.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,400.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,800; £2,400.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £400.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,800.

Number of shares allotted: 2,800.

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: 32.
 Present number of shareholders: 48.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year; 806 oz. 10 dwt. 7 gr.; £3,105 1s. 7d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 1,058 oz. 0 dwt. 3 gr.; £4,073 6s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,780 11s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,140 13s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,440.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,377 10s.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £62 10s.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £81 6s. 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): Nil.

I, John Joseph Woods, of Lawrence, Otago, the Manager of the Evans Flat 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 present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN J. WOODS,
 Manager.

Declared at Lawrence, this 24th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Francis Oudaille, J.P. 214

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Reliance Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lawrence, Otago; John J. Woods.
 Nominal capital: £3,600.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £224 7s. 6d.
 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: 3,600.
 Number of shares allotted: 3,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 14; £56 5s.
 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: 38.
 Present number of shareholders: 44.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £64 18s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £64 18s. 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: £159 8s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £56 5s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £56 5s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Joseph Woods, of Lawrence, Otago, the Manager of the Reliance 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 present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN J. WOODS,
 Manager.

Declared at Lawrence, this 24th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Francis Oudaille, J.P. 215

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alpine No. 2 Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves, Acting-Manager.

Nominal capital: £5,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,740.
 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: £700.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,500.
 Amount paid per share: Vendors' (700), £1; contributing (4,800), 14s.
 Amount called up per share: 14s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 21; £176.
 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: 62.
 Present number of shareholders: 82.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £1,472 7s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £267 12s. 6d.; on deposit, £1,000.
 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, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Acting-Manager of the Alpine No. 2 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
 Acting-Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 193

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gibbston Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,400.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,147 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil; vendors to receive 1,600 paid-up shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,400.
 Amount paid per share: 6,400, contributing 4s.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 12; £90.
 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: 102.
 Present number of shareholders: 103.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £302 3s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £336 6s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £8 15s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

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

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Gibbston 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 194

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Adams Flat Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 24th April, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
Nominal capital: £2,700.
Amount of capital subscribed: £1,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,221 10s.
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: £500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,700.
Number of shares allotted: 2,000; reserve, 700.
Amount paid per share: Vendors' (500), £1; contributing, 18s.
Amount called up per share: 18s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 12; £131.
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: 24.
Present number of shareholders: 31.
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 produced since registration: 360 oz. 18 dwt. 17 gr.; £137 15s. 3d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,300 16s. 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: £58 9s. 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): £79 3s. 11d.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Adams Flat 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 195

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: First Chance Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 20th July, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
Nominal capital: £11,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,148 9s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): 1,500 shares; £1,500.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 11,000.
Number of shares allotted: 10,500.
Amount paid per share: 4,500 at £1; 6,000 at 4s.; 500 reserve.

Amount called up per share: 4s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 46; £242 8s.
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: 45.
Present number of shareholders: 86.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 4 oz. 8 dwt. 20 gr.; £17 1s. 10d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,558 19s. 6d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £588 4s. 6d.
Amount of cash in hand: £1 5s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the First Chance 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900, before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 196

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Paul's Beach Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 29th November, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £401.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil; vendors to receive 1,500 paid-up shares.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
Number of shares allotted: 6,000.
Amount paid per share: 6,000 contributing, 2s. per share.
Amount called up per share: 2s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 31; £82 10s.
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: 103.
Present number of shareholders: 105.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
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: £271 7s.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £150 10s.
Amount of cash in hand: £79 3s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Paul's Beach Gold-dredging 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 197

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Upper Clutha Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,725.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £876 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil; vendors to receive 1,600 paid-up shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,725.
 Amount paid per share: 4,725 paid up to 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 42; £452 5s. (call payable 20th December).
 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: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 71.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £216 5s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £60; £600 on deposit.
 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, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Upper Clutha 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 31st 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."

L. G. REEVES,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 198

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Central Electric Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 8th May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves, Acting-Manager.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash; £3,012 10s.
 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: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,000.
 Amount paid per share: Vendors' (1,000), £1; contributing (6,000), 12s.
 Amount called up per share: 12s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 11; £62 10s.
 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: 89.
 Present number of shareholders: 130.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £1,667 18s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £344 12s.; on deposit, £1,000.
 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, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Acting-Manager of the Central Electric 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
 Acting-Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 199

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Upper Magnetic Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 31st July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves, Acting-Manager.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,400.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,586 10s.
 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: £1,600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
 Amount paid per share: Vendors' (1,600), £1; contributing (6,400), 12s.
 Amount called up per share: 12s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 51; £410 10s. (call due 20th December).
 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: 132.
 Present number of shareholders: 136.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £1,143 12s. 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: £934 17s. 5d.; on deposit, £500.
 Amount of cash in hand: £7 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Acting-Manager of the Upper Magnetic 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
 Acting-Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves J.P. 200

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alpine Consols Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vogel Street, Dunedin; Lawford Godfrey Reeves, Acting-Manager.

Nominal capital : £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,862 10s.
 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 : £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 7,500.
 Amount paid per share : Vendors' (2,000), £1 ; contributing (5,500), 14s.
 Amount called up per share : 14s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 31 ; £440.
 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 : 66.
 Present number of shareholders : 104.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Total 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 : £1,431 4s. 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 : £581 5s. 4d. ; on deposit, £850.
 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, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Acting-Manager of the Alpine Consols 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, 1899 ; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
 Acting-Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 201

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Halfway House Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 29th May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Vogel Street, Dunedin ; Lawford Godfrey Reeves, Acting-Manager.
 Nominal capital : £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £3,452 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil (vendors to receive 2,000 paid-up shares).
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 5,500.
 Amount paid per share : Contributing, 14s. per share.
 Amount called up per share : 14s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 54 ; £342 10s. (call due 20th December).
 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 : 82.
 Present number of shareholders : 119.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £362 11s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £2,479 18s. 6d. ; on deposit, £600.
 Amount of cash in hand : £10.

Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Acting-Manager of the Halfway House 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, 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."

L. G. REEVES,
 Acting-Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 202

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Vincent Extended Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 30th June, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Vogel Street, Dunedin ; Lawford Godfrey Reeves, Acting-Manager.
 Nominal capital : £8,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,467.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,112 1s.
 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.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 8,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 7,967 ; reserve, 533.
 Amount paid per share : Vendors' (1,500), £1 ; contributing (6,467), 10s.
 Amount called up per share : 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 44 ; £218 9s.
 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 : 102.
 Present number of shareholders : 128.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £336 5s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £1,775 16s.
 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, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Acting-Manager of the Vincent Extended 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 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."

L. G. REEVES,
 Acting-Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 203

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Great Central Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 24th August, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Vogel Street, Dunedin ; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
 Nominal capital : £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,880 10s.
 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 : £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 8,000.
 Amount paid per share : Vendors' (2,000), £1 ; contributing (6,000), 10s.

Amount called up per share: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 39; £326 10s. (call due 20th December).
 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: 126.
 Present number of shareholders: 131.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £289 16s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,589 3s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Great Central 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, 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."

L. G. REEVES,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 204

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Cromwell Proprietary Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd December, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary in colony: King William Street, London, and Vogel Street, Dunedin, New Zealand; Lawford Godfrey Reeves.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £100,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Cannot say.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Cannot say.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Cannot say.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: Cannot say.
 Amount paid per share: Cannot say.
 Amount called up per share: Cannot say.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Cannot say.
 Number of shares forfeited: Cannot say.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Cannot say.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: In colony, 25; cannot say number in England.
 Number of men employed by company: 1 (caretaker).
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 827 oz. 5 dwt. 11 gr.; £2,991 0s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 4,142 oz. 18 dwt. 21 gr.; £15,202 10s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Worked on tribute; expended by company, £2,209 18s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: Worked on tribute; expended by company, £3,153 12s. 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 in colony: £10 8s. 3d.
 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 in colony: £228 10s. 2d.

I, Lawford Godfrey Reeves, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Cromwell Proprietary 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 last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

L. G. REEVES,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Chas. S. Reeves, J.P. 266

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Endeavour Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th August, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Charles William Harvey.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,145 7s.
 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: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 11,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 10,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 32; £254 13s.
 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: 141.
 Present number of shareholders: 157.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £1,224 9s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £902 17s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £18.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Charles William Harvey, the Legal Manager of the Endeavour Gold-dredging 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 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."

C. W. HARVEY,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900,
 before me—Thos. F. Feltham, J.P. 220

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Chain Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Charles William Harvey.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,200.
 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: 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4s.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 63; £400.
 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: 137.
 Present number of shareholders: 140.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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 : £375 8s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £804 12s.
 Amount of cash in hand : £20.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Charles William Harvey, the Legal Manager of the Golden Chain Dredging 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."

C. W. HARVEY,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900, before me—Thos. F. Feltham, J.P. 221

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Naumai Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 8th April, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Dunedin; Charles William Harvey.
 Nominal capital : £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £3,356.
 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 : £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 7,000.
 Amount paid per share : 18s.
 Amount called up per share : 18s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 33; £1,144.
 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 : 49.
 Present number of shareholders : 70.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £1,154 8s. 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 : £2,130 11s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £71.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Charles William Harvey, the Legal Manager of the Naumai Gold-dredging 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."

C. W. HARVEY,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900 before me—Thos. F. Feltham, J.P. 219

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Enterprise Gold-dredging Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 24th August, 1891.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Vogel Street, Dunedin; C. S. Reeves.
 Nominal capital : £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £2,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,000.
 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 : 3,000.
 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 : 7.
 Present number of shareholders : 22.
 Number of men employed by company : 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 1,341 oz. 16 dwt. 20 gr.; £5,166 12s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 5,401 oz. 16 dwt. 20 gr.; £20,799 8s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,582 18s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £16,599 4s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : £5,650.
 Total amount of dividends paid : £5,650.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £550 4s. 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.

I, Charles Stephen Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Enterprise Gold-dredging Company, 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

CHAS. S. REEVES,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900, before me—G. L. Denniston, J.P. 264

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Upper Waikaia Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : Registered, 4th December, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Vogel Street, Dunedin; C. S. Reeves.
 Nominal capital : £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £3,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £3,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : £1,500.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 3,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 3,000.
 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 : 11.
 Present number of shareholders : 15.
 Number of men employed by company : 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 9 oz. 11 dwt. 23 gr.; £36 17s. 11d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 27 oz. 2 dwt. 14 gr.; £104 15s. 11d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : Worked on tribute; expended by company, £31 6s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £2,349 4s. 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 : £2 0s. 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) : £1,105.

I, Charles Stephen Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Upper Waikaia Sluicing Company, 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

CHAS. S. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900,
before me—G. L. Denniston, J.P. 265

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 14th October, 1898.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:

Vogel Street, Dunedin; C. S. Reeves.

Nominal capital: £3,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,000.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £700.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £700.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.

Number of shares allotted: 3,000.

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: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 58.

Number of men employed by company: 7.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 679 oz. 2 dwt. 9 gr.; £2,514 14s. 8d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 721 oz. 17 dwt. 19 gr.; £2,679 7s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,900 10s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration: £4,052 2s. 9d.

Total amount of dividends declared: £750.

Total amount of dividends paid: £750.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £80 3s. 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.

I, Charles Stephen Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Sunlight 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 day of December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

C. S. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900,
before me—G. L. Denniston, J.P. 263

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Matau Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 16th October, 1897.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:

Dunedin; E. R. Smith.

Nominal capital: £7,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £6,200.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,200.

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: 7,000.

Number of shares allotted: 7,000.

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: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 117.

Number of men employed by company: 7.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 2,605 oz. 5 dwt. 19 gr.; £10,046 6s. 10d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,605 oz. 5 dwt. 19 gr.; £10,046 6s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,860 11s. 9d.

Total expenditure since registration: £8,565 5s. (includes cost of dredge).

Total amount of dividends declared: £6,475.

Total amount of dividends paid: £6,475.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £177 5s. 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): Nil.

I, Edmund Robinson Smith, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Matau 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. R. SMITH,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1900,
before me—A. Herdman, J.P. 261

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Clyde Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 17th May, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:

Dunedin; E. R. Smith.

Nominal capital: £4,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £3,850.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,850.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £150; no cash.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £150.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.

Number of shares allotted: 4,000.

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: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 64.

Number of men employed by company: 7.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,594 oz. 9 dwt. 18 gr.; £6,172 5s. 9d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 5,594 oz. 6 dwt. 3 gr.; £21,637 14s.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,814 3s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £10,263 14s. 7d.

Total amount of dividends declared: £10,600—£2 13s. per share.

Total amount of dividends paid: £10,600.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £489 18s. 2d.

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): £100.

I, Edmund Robinson Smith, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Clyde 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. R. SMITH,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 12th day of January, 1900,
before me—George Esther, J.P. 262

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rex Hill Tin-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 3rd November, 1892.

Whether in active operation or not: Let on tribute.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:

Dunedin; E. R. Smith, Secretary.

Nominal capital: £15,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £3,750.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,708 3s. 9d.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £4,250; no cash.

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: 15,000 ordinary, 15,000 preference.
 Number of shares allotted: 15,000 ordinary, 1,720 preference.
 Amount paid per share: 5s. on 13,000 ordinary, 10s. on 1,720 preference (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share: 5s. on 13,000 ordinary, 10s. on 1,720 preference.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £38 7s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 150.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 150; £28 2s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 57.
 Number of men employed by company: Mine let on tribute.
 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: £4,191 3s. 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: £94 19s. 10d.
 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, E. R. Smith, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Rex Hill Tin-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."

E. R. SMITH,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1900,
 before me—R. Hay, J.P. 260

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Success Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th July, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Wai-
 pori, Otago; James J. Gibson, Lawrence, Otago.
 Nominal capital: £2,400.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,400.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,400.
 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: 2,400.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,400.
 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 com-
 pany: 14.
 Present number of shareholders: 19.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year: 1,277 oz. 3 dwt. 20 gr.; £4,916 19s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: 2,114 oz. 15 dwt. 1 gr.; £8,141 9s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on opera-
 tions during preceding year: £2,277 6s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,644 9s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £2,880.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £2,880.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £214 10s.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £345 2s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent and actual liabilities of company
 (approximately): £191 18s. 7d.

I, James John Gibson, of Lawrence, Otago, the Secretary
 of the Success Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do
 solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and com-
 plete statement of the affairs of the said company at the

present date; and I make this solemn declaration con-
 scientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of
 "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JAMES J. GIBSON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Lawrence, this 27th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Francis Oudaille, J.P. 258

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Lawrence Gold-dredging Company
 (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Tua-
 peka Flat, Otago; James J. Gibson, Lawrence, Otago.
 Nominal capital: £1,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £450.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £368 15s.
 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: £1,050.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 1,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £81 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 16.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on opera-
 tions during preceding year: £90 13s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £90 13s. 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: £278 1s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent and actual liabilities of company
 (approximately): £570 1s. 5d.

I, James John Gibson, of Lawrence, Otago, the Secretary
 of the Lawrence 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 present date; and I make this solemn declaration con-
 scientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of
 "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JAMES J. GIBSON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Lawrence, this 27th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Francis Oudaille, J.P. 259

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: White Star Gold-dredging Company
 (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th October,
 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £775 5s.
 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 (paid-up shares to value of
 £1,500 to be allotted).
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 77; £724 15s. (in-
 cluding second call, £500, not due until 10th January,
 1900).
 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: 75.
 Present number of shareholders: 81.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £213 14s. 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: £561 10s. 10d.
 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, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of the White Star 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 228

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Teremakau Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £597 9s. 9d.
 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 (fully paid shares to the value of £2,000 to be allotted).
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 36,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 28,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s.
 Amount called up per share: 1s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 135; £802 11s. 3d. (including first call, £700, not due until 27th January, 1900).
 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: 135.
 Present number of shareholders: 136.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £269 9s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £325 9s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 11s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William T. Monkman, the Legal Manager of the Teremakau 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."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 229

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kelly and Casey Beach Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £980 5s.
 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 (fully paid shares to the value of £2,000 to be allotted).
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4s.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 34; £219 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: 72.
 Present number of shareholders: 91.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £267 3s. 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: £711 18s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 8s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William T. Monkman, the Legal Manager of the Kelly and Casey Beach 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 230

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: West Matau Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,102 10s.
 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 (paid-up shares to value of £2,000 to be allotted).
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 14,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 28; £97 10s.
 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: 172.
 Present number of shareholders: 189.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £608 18s. 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: £493 11s. 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, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of the West Matau Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 227

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tacon's Cardrona Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £744 19s.
 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 (fully paid-up shares to value of £1,250 to be allotted).
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,750.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 101; £680 1s., including second call (£475), not due until 15th January, 1900.
 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: 103.
 Present number of shareholders: 105.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £297 3s. 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: £447 15s. 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): Nil.

I, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of the Tacon's Cardrona 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 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. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 24th day of January, 1900, before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 231

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Central Charlton Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration; 8th December, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Hector Faulkner Monro Mercer.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,115.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £363 15s.
 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: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,115 contributing.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 28; £147 15s. (statutory meeting 22nd January, 1900).
 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: 66.
 Present number of shareholders: 66.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £307 (including £200 paid for options).
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £56 15s.
 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, Hector Faulkner Monro Mercer, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Central Charlton Dredging 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. F. M. MERCER,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900, before me—G. L. Denniston, J.P. 225

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gold Deposit Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th December, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Hector Faulkner Monro Mercer.
 Nominal capital: £8,600.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £586 15s.
 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: 8,600.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,800 contributing.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 61; £93 5s. (statutory meeting 15th January, 1900).
 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: 159.
 Present number of shareholders: 159.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £260 5s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £326 10s.
 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, Hector Faulkner Monro Mercer, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Gold Deposit Dredging 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 December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. F. M. MERCER,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900,
before me—G. L. Denniston, J.P. 226

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Dart River Gold-dredging and Prospecting Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 19th October, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Contract let.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Hector F. M. Mercer.
Nominal capital: £25,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £20,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,517 5s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 25,000.
Number of shares allotted: 20,000 contributing.
Amount paid per share: 2s.
Amount called up per share: 2s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 54; £482 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: 195.
Present number of shareholders: 195.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
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: £518 2s. 9d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £1,004 2s. 3d.
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, Hector Faulkner Monro Mercer, the Legal Manager of the Dart River Gold-dredging and Prospecting 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. F. M. MERCER,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
before me—G. L. Denniston, J.P. 232

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Eclipse (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 18th and 19th November, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 4, Wyndham Street, Auckland; John Hope MacLellan.
Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,750.
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: £750.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
Number of shares allotted: 150,000.
Amount paid per share: 1s.
Amount called up per share: 1s.
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: 4.
Present number of shareholders: 6.
Number of men employed by company: 32.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: —; £1,027 18s. 2d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: —; £1,424 12s. 6d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £7,924 9s. 6d.
Total expenditure since registration: £8,317 8s. 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: £23 12s. 2d.
Amount of cash in hand: £1 12s. 2d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £146 16s.

I, John Hope MacLellan, of Auckland, the Manager of the Eclipse (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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. H. MACLELLAN,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 24th day of January, 1900,
before me—J. H. Harrison, J.P. 239

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Morning Star Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 26th January, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted and name of Legal Manager: Esk Street, Invercargill; Richard Allen.
Nominal capital: £42,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £29,533.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,864 14s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £17,533; £550 on account.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £12,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 42,000.
Number of shares allotted: 29,533.
Amount paid per share: On new issue, 9d.
Amount called up per share: On new issue, 9d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £107 7s. 9d.
Number of shares forfeited: 12,000.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 49.
Present number of shareholders: 130.
Number of men employed by company: 2.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 806 oz. 16 dwt.; £3,249 15s. 8d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 12,108 oz. 18 dwt. 12 gr.; £49,037 15s. 7d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,800 16s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £43,239 6s. 6d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £11,462 11s. 9d.
Total amount of dividends paid: £11,462 11s. 9d.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: £27 3s. 7d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £14 4s. 11d.
Amount of debts considered good: £14 4s. 11d.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,525 6s. 4d.

I, Richard Allen, of Invercargill, the Manager of the Morning Star 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."

RICHARD ALLEN,
Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 25th day of January, 1900,
before me—Geo. W. Nichol, J.P. 233

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Site Extended Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 12th January, 1897; 11th February, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Esk Street, Invercargill; Richard Allen.
Nominal capital: £85,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £57,828.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,680 7s.
 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: £43,750.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 85,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 57,828.
 Amount paid per share: "A" shares, 17s. 10d.; "B" shares, 17s. 10d.
 Amount called up per share: 17s. 10d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £95 8s. 4d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 1,187.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 75; £7 2s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 113.
 Present number of shareholders: 151.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 261 oz. 10 dwt.; £1,018 0s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 397 oz. 6 dwt.; £1,546 9s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,822 13s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,209 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: £79 10s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £4 19s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £25 3s. 1d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £25 3s. 1d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £139 19s. 6d.

I, Richard Allen, of Invercargill, the Manager of the Golden Site Extended 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."

RICHARD ALLEN,
 Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 25th day of January, 1900, before me—Geo. W. Nichol, J.P. 234

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Matawai Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 27th June, 1895; registered, 12th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,475 14s. 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: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 5 8d.
 Amount called up per share: 4d.
 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: 47.
 Present number of shareholders: 19.
 Number of men employed by company: 2 tributers.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 12 dwt.; £1 9s. 6d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £41 15s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,503 16s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £3 18s. 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):

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Matawai 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 246

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Pukewhau Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 30th August, 1895; registered, 20th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,706 5s. 11d.
 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: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6 8d.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 23,024.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 100; 8s. 4d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 18.
 Number of men employed by company: 2 tributers.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 2 oz. 12 dwt.; £7 9s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 9 oz. 11 dwt.; £26 17s. 6d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £79 0s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,721 6s.
 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 15s. 1d.
 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): £30.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Pukewhau 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 247

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Queen of the North Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 16th September, 1897; registered, 2nd December, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £795 8s. 4d.
 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: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 3 1/2d.

Amount called up per share : 2½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : 20,300.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 1,000; £4 3s. 4d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 24.
 Present number of shareholders : 36.
 Number of men employed by company : 2 tributers.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : 49 oz. 10 dwt.; £140 14s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : 92 oz. 17 dwt.; £266 16s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £342 3s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,003 10s. 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 : £92 19s. 3d.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Queen of the North 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 248

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Star of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : Formed, 11th September, 1896; registered, 16th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital : £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £900.
 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 : 2½d.
 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 : 67.
 Present number of shareholders : 120.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £55 8s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £832 8s. 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 : £67 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Star of Waihi 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 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 249

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Hauraki Freeholds (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : Formed, 29th November, 1898; registered 25th January, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital : £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £10,000.
 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) : 1s.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : 1s.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 200,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 200,000.
 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 : 164.
 Present number of shareholders : 190.
 Number of men employed by company : 3, employed by option-holders.
 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 : Held under option by the Thames Exploration Syndicate of L. and N.Z. (Limited).
 Total expenditure since registration : Nil.
 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) : £758 9s. 1d.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Hauraki Freeholds (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, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 250

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Buffalo Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : Formed, 10th July, 1895; registered, 2nd August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital : £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,533 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 : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 80,000.
 Amount paid per share : 4½d.
 Amount called up per share : 1d.
 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 : 47.
 Present number of shareholders : 175.
 Number of men employed by company : 2 tributers.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : 48 oz. 19 dwt. (tributers); £149 18s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : —; £746 0s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £86 10s. 6d.

Total expenditure since registration : £1,646 8s. 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 : £8 19s. 2d.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Buffalo 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 244

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Harbour View Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 7th June, 1895; registered, 27th June, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £16,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £16,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,333 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 160,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 160,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 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: 51.
 Present number of shareholders: 352.
 Number of men employed by company: 4 tributers.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 93 oz. 5 dwt.; £267 9s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 178 oz. 3 dwt.; £498 3s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £406 17s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,197 0s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £158 7s. 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): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Harbour View 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1900, before me—Arch. Peak, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 245

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mahinapua Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 31st October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Wellington; George Ross.
 Nominal capital: £6,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,135.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil; but £2,000 agreed to be issued.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil; but £2,000 agreed to be issued.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,750.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,750.
 Amount paid per share: 8s.
 Amount called up per share: 8s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £785.
 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: 24.
 Present number of shareholders: 26.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 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: £372 14s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,122 14s. 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: £12 5s. 10d.
 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): £180 (machinery under order).

I, George Ross, of Wellington, the Secretary of the Mahinapua 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 30th December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEORGE ROSS,
 Secretary.

Declared at Wellington, this 29th day of January, 1900, before me—John Jack, J.P. 243

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ruby Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th December, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Wellington; George Ross.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,525.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £324.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil, but £2,500 to be issued.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil, but £2,500 to be issued.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,525.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £228 10s.
 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: 76.
 Present number of shareholders: 76.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £294 12s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £294 12s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £17 6s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 5s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Under £100.

I, George Ross, of Wellington, the Secretary of the Ruby Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and

sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 30th 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."

GEORGE ROSS,
Secretary.

Declared at Wellington, this 29th day of January, 1900,
before me—John Jack, J.P. 240

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Four River Plain Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 4th May, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Wellington; George Ross.
Nominal capital: £15,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,001 5s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,800; nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,800.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 15,000.
Number of shares allotted; 15,000.
Amount paid per share: 7s.
Amount called up per share: 7s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £276 5s.
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: 79.
Present number of shareholders: 86.
Number of men employed by company: None at present.
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: £483 8s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £983 8s. 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: £3,018 2s. 10d.
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): Contracts accepted (dredge, hull, machinery), £6,854 15s.

I, George Ross, of Wellington, the Secretary of the Four-River Plain Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 30th 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."

GEORGE ROSS,
Secretary.

Declared at Wellington, this 29th day of January, 1900,
before me—John Jack, J.P. 241

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rocklands Beach Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 1st September, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Wellington; George Ross.
Nominal capital: £10,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £8,312.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,238 19s.
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: 10,000.
Number of shares allotted: 8,312.
Amount paid per share: 4s. 6d.
Amount called up per share: 4s. 6d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £226 5s.
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: 82.
Present number of shareholders: 85.

Number of men employed by company: None at present.
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: £498 19s. 11d.
Total expenditure since registration: £498 19s. 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: £740 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): Contracts accepted (for dredge, hull, and machinery, &c.), £6,969 15s.

I, George Ross, of Wellington, the Secretary of the Rocklands Beach Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 30th 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."

GEORGE ROSS,
Secretary.

Declared at Wellington, this 29th day of January, 1900,
before me—John Jack, J.P. 242

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Skipper's Sluicing Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 30th July, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. Johnston C. Brown.
Nominal capital: £4,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,500.
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: 4,000.
Number of shares allotted: 3,500.
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: 20.
Present number of shareholders: 24.
Number of men employed by company: 9.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 163 oz. 6 dwt. 10 gr.; £624 7s. 5d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 273 oz. 15 dwt. 18 gr.; £1,031 6s. 1d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,472 15s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £4,482 7s. 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: 8s. 3d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Skipper's Sluicing 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 12th day of January, 1900,
before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 275

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Chatto Creek Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 12th August, 1897.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. Johnston C. Brown.

Nominal capital: £5,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,400.
 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: £600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 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: 57.
 Present number of shareholders: 91.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 827 oz. 9 dwt. 18 gr.; £3,223 15s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 827 oz. 9 dwt. 18 gr.; £3,223 15s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,681 1s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,917 9s. 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: £74 4s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £13 9s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Chatto Creek Dredging 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1900,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 276

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Inch Valley Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. Johnston C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,600.
 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: £2,400.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 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: 33.
 Present number of shareholders: 62.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 637 oz. 17 dwt. 2 gr.; £2,457 7s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 637 oz. 17 dwt. 2 gr.; £2,457 7s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,225 6s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,084 4s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Two dividends, £500.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £500.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £161 13s. 10d.; at fixed deposit, £66 11s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 7s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Inch Valley Gold-dredging 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 277

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Point Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 31st August, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. Johnston C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,400.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,400.
 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: £600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 5,400 shares.
 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: 68.
 Present number of shareholders: 125.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 880 oz. 11 dwt. 9 gr.; £3,410 3s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 880 oz. 11 dwt. 9 gr.; £3,410 3s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,435 0s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £10,235 4s. 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: £2 19s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Golden Point Dredging 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 278

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Earnsclough No. 3 Dredging and Electric Power Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th March, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. Johnston C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £26,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £9,493 5s.
 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: £3,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 26,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 18,500.
 Amount paid per share: 16s.
 Amount called up per share: 16s. on 15,000 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 90; £2,506 15s. (including call due 22nd January, 1900).
 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: 107.

Present number of shareholders: 119.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £4,336 14s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,336 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: £515 14s. 2d.; fixed deposit, £8,250.
 Amount of cash in hand: £5 16s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £4 8s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £4 8s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Earnsclough No. 3 Dredging and Electric Power 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 279

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bakery Flat Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. Johnston C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,761 10s.
 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: £300.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,500.
 Amount paid per share: 16s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 16s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £1.
 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: 24.
 Present number of shareholders: 27.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 303 oz. 9 dwt. 14 gr.; £1,179 13s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 800 oz. 12 dwt. 11 gr.; £3,064 8s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,416 4s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,710 18s. 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: £102 3s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £12 2s. 9d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Bakery Flat Sluicing 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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 12th day of January, 1900,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 280

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Coal Creek Flat Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin: A. Johnston C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,591 10s.
 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: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,000 (1,000 shares held in reserve).
 Amount paid per share: 5s.
 Amount called up per share: 5s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 36; £158 10s.
 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: 198.
 Present number of shareholders: 189.
 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: £2,855 14s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,855 14s. 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: Current account, £381 0s. 7d.; fixed deposit, £400.
 Amount of cash in hand: £7 19s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. Johnston C. Brown, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Coal Creek Flat Dredging 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 24th day of January, 1900,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 274

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Last Chance Hydraulic Sluicing, Elevating, and Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus E. Brent.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,700.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,328 5s.
 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: £3,300.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid per share: 10s.
 Amount called up per share: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £2,891 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: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 131.
 Number of men employed by company: 11.
 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: £1,947 14s. 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: £432 10s. 8d.
 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, Septimus E. Brent, of Dunedin, Manager of the Last Chance Hydraulic Sluicing, Elevating, and Dredging 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."

S. E. BRENT,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 27th day of January, 1900,
before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 272

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Shotover Quartz-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 9th March, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus E. Brent.

Nominal capital: £6,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,500.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,500.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.

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

Amount paid per share: 3s. 4d.
Amount called up per share: 3s. 4d.

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: 25.

Present number of shareholders: 32.
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: £1,259 5s. 1d.

Total expenditure since registration: £2,368 0s. 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: £7 15s.

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, Septimus E. Brent, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Shotover Quartz-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 hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. E. BRENT,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 27th day of January, 1900,
before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 273

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Post-office Creek (Waipori) Gold-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 10th June, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus E. Brent.

Nominal capital: £2,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,300.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,300.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £200.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,500.
Number of shares allotted: 2,500.

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: 28.

Present number of shareholders: 28.

Number of men employed by company: 11.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: —; £495 0s. 3d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: —; £553 11s. 7d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,558 15s.

Total expenditure since registration: £2,970 11s. 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: 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.

I, Septimus E. Brent, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Post-office Creek (Waipori) 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."

S. E. BRENT,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 27th day of January, 1900,
before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 267

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Orlig Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 13th March, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus E. Brent.

Nominal capital: £7,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,828 6s.

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: £1,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
Number of shares allotted: 7,000.

Amount paid per share: 18s.
Amount called up per share: 18s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £1,571 14s.
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: 78.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.

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: £3,113 2s. 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: £778 13s. 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): Nil.

I, Septimus E. Brent, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Orlig 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, 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."

S. E. BRENT,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 27th day of January, 1900,
before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 269

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 9th October, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus E. Brent.

Nominal capital: £11,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £8,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £829 10s.
 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: £2,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided; 11,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,500.
 Amount paid up per share: 4s.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £870 10s.
 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: 167.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £246 18s. 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: £532 11s. 1d.
 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, Septimus E. Brent, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Bendigo Gold-dredging 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."

S. E. BRENT,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 27th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 268

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: River Molyneux Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Septimus E. Brent.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £862 10s.
 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: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 11,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4s.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £987 10s.
 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: 173.
 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: £261 14s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £261 14s. 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: £862 10s.
 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, Septimus E. Brent, of Dunedin, Manager of the River Molyneux Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete state-

ment 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."

S. E. BRENT,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 27th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Hugh H. Inglis, J.P. 270

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gentle Annie Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Thomas Chalmer.
 Nominal capital: £8,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,900.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,268 17s. 6d.
 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: £1,600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,500.
 Amount paid per share: 5s. on 6,900 shares.
 Amount called up per share: 5s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 81; £459 17s. 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: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 127.
 Number of men employed by company: None.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: None.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: None.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £223 1s. 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: £231 0s. 11d., and £800 on deposit.
 Amount of cash in hand: £16 2s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Thomas Chalmer, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Gentle Annie Gold-dredging 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."

THOS. CHALMER,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 29th day of January, 1900,
 before me—W. D. Milne, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 271

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kawarau Consolidated Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; John Davie.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,060.
 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: £1,900.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,600.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 8s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 95; £1,180 (including call just struck).
 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 : 95.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £64 Os. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £993 12s. 2d.
 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, John Davie, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Kawarau Consolidated 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 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."

JOHN DAVIE,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 208

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Roxburgh Jubilee Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 22nd November, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Dunedin : John Davie.
 Nominal capital : £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £840 11s.
 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 : £3,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 8,500.
 Amount paid per share : 2s.
 Amount called up per share : 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 3 ; £9 9s.
 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 : 78.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £526 5s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £80 19s. 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) : Nil.

I, John Davie, of Dunedin, Manager of the Roxburgh Jubilee Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN DAVIE,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 206

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Alexandra Bonanza Gold Dredging and Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 5th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Dunedin ; John Davie.
 Nominal capital : £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,860.
 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 : £3,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 15,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 12,000.
 Amount paid per share : 4s.
 Amount called up per share : 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 120 ; £1,740 (including call just struck).
 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 : 120.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 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 : £639 10s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £1,220 9s. 3d.
 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, John Davie, of Dunedin, Manager of the Alexandra Bonanza Gold Dredging and Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN DAVIE,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 207

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Otago Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 20th May, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : Dunedin ; A. G. Fenwick.
 Nominal capital : £4,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £4,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,000.
 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 : £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 4,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 4,000.
 Amount paid per share : £1 on 2,000 shares.
 Amount called up per share : £1 on 2,000 shares.
 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 : 43.
 Number of men employed by company : 6.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 724 oz. ; £2,818.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 3,742 oz. ; £14,634.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,055 6s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £9,521.
 Total amount of dividends declared : £5,500.
 Total amount of dividends paid : £5,500.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £203 16s. 11d.
 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, A. G. Fenwick, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Otago 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 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."

A. G. FENWICK,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
 before me—John Angus, J.P. 209

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gold Creek Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd March, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Chatton, Gore; Charles William Brown, Invercargill.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,460 6s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of shares in arrear: 615; £39 14s.
 Number of shares forfeited: None.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: None.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 55.
 Present number of shareholders: 65.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year:
 —; £1,361 9s. 7d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registra-
 tion: —; £1,429 19s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: £1,560 15s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,060 15s.
 Total amount of dividends paid: None.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: None.
 Amount of cash at banker's: None; £312 14s. overdraft.
 Amount of cash in hand: None.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £39 14s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £39 14s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Bank,
 £312 14s.; sundry creditors, £114 3s. 2d.

I, Charles William Brown, of Invercargill, the Secretary of the Gold Creek Dredging 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."

CHAS. W. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Invercargill, this 22nd day of January, 1900,
 before me—J. L. McDonald, J.P. 251

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sunrise Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th October, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Preservation Inlet; Charles William Brown, Invercargill.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,138 3s. 9d.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,138 3s. 9d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid: £5,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 15,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 17,035.
 Amount paid per share: 5s. on B issue, and 3s. 6d. on C
 issue.
 Amount called up per share: 5s. on B issue, and 3s. 6d. on C
 issue.
 Number and amount of shares in arrear: 200; £2 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 945.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: 945; £184 3s. 9d.
 Number of shareholders at registration of company: 56.
 Present number of shareholders: 50.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year: None.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration: None.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year: £178 12s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,239 1s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends paid: None.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: None.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £2 2s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: None.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: None.
 Amount of debts considered good: None.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):
 £78 0s. 9d.

I, Charles William Brown, of Invercargill, the Secretary of the Sunrise Gold-mining Company, 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."

CHAS. W. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Invercargill, this 22nd day of January, 1900,
 before me—J. L. McDonald, J.P. 252

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gold Queen Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd February, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Dunedin; John Ferguson Harper.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,890 8s.
 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: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,000.
 Amount paid per share: 16s.
 Amount called up per share: 16s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 141; £709 12s. (last
 call due 27th December, 1899).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany: 109.
 Present number of shareholders: 208.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding 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: £4,382 14s. 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: £493 3s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £14 9s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3,565
 12s. 6d. (balance of dredge-contract).

I, John Ferguson Harper, the Legal Manager of the Gold Queen Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 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."

J. F. HARPER,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1900,
 before me—R. R. Taylor, J.P. 205

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Richards' Beach Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Dunedin; Edward Ademar Cogan.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,600.
 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: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6,000 at 12s., 2,000 at 20s.
 Amount called up per share: 6,000 at 12s., 2,000 at 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £779 10s. (last call
 due 3rd January).
 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: 118.
 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: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,078 8s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,606 5s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £155 15s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Edward Ademar Cogan, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Richards' Beach 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. A. COGAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
 before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 211

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mokoia Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st April, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Edward Ademar Cogan.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,625.
 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: £1,250.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,500.
 Amount paid per share: 5,250 at 10s.; 1,250 at 20s.
 Amount called up per share: 5,250 at 10s.; 1,250 at 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £611 10s.
 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: 72.
 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: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,986 13s. 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: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Edward Ademar Cogan, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Mokoia 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 day of December, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. A. COGAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900,
 before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 212

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Grey Duck Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; George Milne MacLean.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £596 5s.
 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: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,500.
 Amount paid per share: 3s.
 Amount called up per share: 3s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 52; £228 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: 88.
 Present number of shareholders: 90.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £382 14s. 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: £198 10s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £15.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, George Milne MacLean, the Legal Manager of the Grey Duck 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, 1899; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEO. M. MACLEAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 18th day of January, 1900,
 before me—Wm. Wood, J.P. 218

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Naseby Dredging and Hydraulic Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th October, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Naseby; Niels Peter Hjorring.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,137 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 Amount paid per share: 14s. 3d.
 Amount called up per share: 14s. 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: None.
 Number of shares forfeited: None.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: None.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 21.
 Number of men employed by company: 10.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 671 oz. 6 dwt. 5 gr.; £2,584 18s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,224 oz. 7 dwt. 21 gr.; £4,712 19s. 1d.
 Amount received from sale of portion of plant: £1,500 15s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,480 2s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £8,701 7s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: None.
 Total amount of dividends paid: None.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: None.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £17 10s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £17 10s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Niels Peter Hjorring, of Naseby, the Secretary of the Naseby Dredging and Hydraulic Sluicing 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 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."

N. P. HJORRING,
Secretary.

Declared at Naseby, this 24th day of January, 1900, before me—A. L. Herdman, J.P. 255

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Greenstone Junction Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 22nd September, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Kumara; William Bernard Gilbert.
Nominal capital: £9,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,766 5s.
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.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
Amount paid per share: 4s.
Amount called up per share: 5s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 4,675; £293 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: 81.
Present number of shareholders: 85.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
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: £794 9s. 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: £1,145 14s. 8d.
Amount of cash in hand: £32 15s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company: Say £6,427.

I, William Bernard Gilbert, of Kumara, the Manager of the Greenstone Junction Gold-dredging 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."

WILLIAM BERNARD GILBERT,
Manager.

Declared at Kumara, this 23rd day of January, 1900, before me—James S. Benyon, J.P. 222

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Winding Creek Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 5th February, 1898.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Robert Hay.
Nominal capital: £30,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £14,167.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £8,000.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £8,000.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £6,167.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 30,000.
Number of shares allotted: 14,167.
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: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 19.
Number of men employed by company: 18.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: £3,222 2s. 4d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: £3,222 2s. 4d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,654 8s. 10d.
Total expenditure since registration: £12,798 15s. 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: £1,461 10s. 8d.
Amount of cash in hand: 8s. 7d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £75.

I, Robert Hay, of Dunedin, the Attorney of the Winding Creek 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. HAY,
Attorney.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1900, before me—Alfred James, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 223

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rolling Stone Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 13th June, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: No.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; George Lublin Tacon.
Nominal capital: £4,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,650.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,650.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.
Number of shares allotted: 3,000.
Amount paid per share: 11s.
Amount called up per share: 13s. 6d.
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: 9.
Present number of shareholders: 11.
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: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,644 19s. 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: £5 0s. 11d.
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, George Lublin Tacon, the Legal Manager of the Rolling Stone 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 day of December, 1899; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEO. L. TACON,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 24th day of January, 1900, before me—W. D. Milne, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 224

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Gravel Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th August, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; John Johnson Ramsay.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,965.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,365 10s.
 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.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,965.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 60; £424 (including call due 5th January, 1900).
 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: 146.
 Present number of shareholders: 152.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 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: £434 14s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £930 16s.
 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, John Johnson Ramsay, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Golden Gravel 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 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."
 J. J. RAMSAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 24th day of January, 1900, before me—P. G. Pryde, J.P. 210

NEW HAURAKI NORTH GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the New Hauraki North Gold-mining Company (Limited) has been removed to Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland, and that Mr. SEERING H. MATTHEWS has been appointed the Secretary of the said company.

W. A. FENTON, Chairman,
 JAMES MCCORMICK, Director.

Auckland, 18th January, 1900. 316

THE WOODSTOCK GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the office of the Woodstock Gold-mining Company (Limited) is situated in the New Zealand Herald Buildings, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland.

Dated this 25th day of January, 1900.

W. S. WILSON,
 JAMES RUSSELL,
 Attorneys for the said Company.

JACKSON AND RUSSELL, Shortland Street, Solicitors for the said Company. 237

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.

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814, 815. LOUISA TURNBULL.—Sections 18, 19, 22, Block IV., Waitara Survey District. Occupied by Thomas Hugh Wade-Gery.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
 Dated this 1st day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
 District Land Registrar.

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

803 to 807. WILLIAM ORR.—Sections 80, 90, 91, 92, 96, containing 2 acres 2 roods 1-85 perches, Township of Lep-
 perton. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office (Plan 1406).
 Dated this 1st day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
 District Land Registrar.

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816, 817, 818. JANE BROWN.—Sections 6, 17, 21, Waitara Survey District, containing 275 acres. Occupied by Thomas Hugh Wade-Gery.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
 Dated this 1st day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
 District Land Registrar.

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819. CHARLIE EMANUEL BELLINGER.—Eastern moiety of Sections 1455 and 1481, Town of New Plymouth, 1 rood 1 perch. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office (Plan 1423).
 Dated this 2nd day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
 District Land Registrar.

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

820. ANNIE HOLFORD.—Sections 1521 and 1522, Town of New Plymouth, 2 roods 3-7 perches. Occupied by J. Corkin.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office (Plan 1421).
 Dated this 2nd day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
 District Land Registrar.

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

2939. JAMES HEADIFEN.—21 perches, part Section 726, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

2957. CHARLES LOWTHER DUGAN and JAMES HIGGIE.—4 acres 2 roods 6 perches, part Suburban Section 3, Town of Wanganui. Occupied by William Reid Gibson.

2959. GEORGE HUTCHISON.—1 acre, Section 94, Town of Waverley. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
 Dated this 7th day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
 District Land Registrar.

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APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of WILLIAM MITCHINSON, of Waverley, Settler, for part Section 324, Okotuku District, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. Ivi., folio 190, and evidence having been lodged of the destruction of the said certificate of title,

I hereby give notice that I will issue the provisional certificate of title as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 22nd day of February, 1900.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

334 W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

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

8784. CHARLES BOWKER.—1 rood 1 perch, Lot 7, Plan 816, part of Rural Section 1689, Block I., Patiti Survey District. Occupied by William Miller.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

335 G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

Private Advertisements.

HAWKE'S BAY TRAWLING COMPANY (IN LIQUIDATION).

WE hereby call a General Meeting of the shareholders of the above company, to be held at the Criterion Hotel, Napier, on the 9th day of April, 1900, at 8 o'clock in the evening, to receive the final account of the Liquidators, showing the manner of the winding-up and disposal of the property of the company, and hearing any explanation they may have to make.

Napier, 3rd February, 1900.

324 J. C. TONKIN, } Liquidators.
WM. HARVEY, }

I, WILLIAM BOND TAYLOR, Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons, Licentiate in Midwifery, Edinburgh, now residing in Main Street, Palmerston North, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 28th 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 BOND TAYLOR.

Dated at Palmerston North, 31st January, 1900. 322

I, WILLIAM ROBERTSON, M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond., 1899, now residing in Wellington, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 10th March 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.

WM. ROBERTSON.

Dated at Wellington, 5th February, 1900. 320

HOROWHENUA COUNTY COUNCIL.

LAND REQUIRED FOR GRAVEL-PIT.

PURSUANT to the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1894," it is hereby notified that the Horowhenua County Council requires the land described hereunder for the purpose of a gravel-pit. A plan marked A, showing position of the same, will be open for public inspection at the County Office, Levin, during office-hours, for a period of forty days from date hereof. All persons affected by the taking of the land are hereby called upon to set forth in writing any well-grounded objections thereto, and to serve the same upon the County Clerk, at Levin, before the expiration of forty days from the date hereof.

Description of Land.

All that piece or parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 2 acres and 26 perches, situated in Block VI., Kaitawa Survey District, being part of Ngawhakangutu North. Commencing at Wellington-Manawatu Railway-line boundary, eastern side, Peg I. to Peg II., 309.2 links; Peg II. to Peg III., 199.5 links; Peg III. to IV., 392.8 links; Peg IV. to V., 146.3 links; Peg V. to Peg O, 734.3 links, to railway-line; thence northwards to starting-point, Peg I., in northerly direction 555.6 links: all as shown on a plan marked A, and thereon coloured yellow, now on view for a period of forty days from this date at the County Office, Levin, aforesaid.

Names of owners: J. Gillies, Mrs. E. W. Hombersley, T. C. Williams, and Trustees in estate of Jas. H. Wallace.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1900.

315 JOHN McCULLOCH,
Clerk to Council.

GEORGE KING AND CO. (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the following resolution was passed at a meeting of the company held on Monday, the 22nd January, and confirmed at a subsequent meeting held on Wednesday, the 7th February, 1900:—

"That the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Acts, and that Mr. George King be appointed Liquidator."

Christchurch, 7th February, 1900.

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In the matter of the Canterbury Cricket and Athletic Sports Ground Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that at a special general meeting of the above-named company, held at 171, Hereford Street, Christchurch, on the 29th day of December, 1899, the following special resolution was passed; and at a subsequent special general meeting of the said company, held at the same place on the 19th day of January, 1900, the said resolution was duly confirmed:—

"That the capital of the company be increased by the creation of 2,000 new shares of £1, to be called preference shares, to which there shall be attached the special rights and privileges following, that is to say:—

"(a.) The holders of such preference shares will be entitled to a cumulative preferential dividend at the rate of £5 per cent. per annum on the capital for the time being paid up on such shares respectively.

"(b.) Whenever the profits of the company in respect of any year shall be more than sufficient to pay the preferential dividend aforesaid to the close of such year, and also a dividend for such year at a rate exceeding £5 per cent. per annum on the ordinary shares, the holders of the preference shares shall be entitled to participate in the surplus *pari passu* with the holders of the other shares.

"(c.) The capital paid up on the preference shares shall not be liable to cancellation or reduction in respect of loss or depreciation.

"(d.) In the event of the winding-up of the company, the holders of the preference shares shall be entitled to have the surplus assets applied in paying off the capital paid up on the preference shares held by them respectively, and in any arrears (if any) of the preferential dividend aforesaid to the commencement of the winding-up.

"(e.) The preference shares shall be issued to such persons and on such terms and conditions as the Board shall think fit."

336 F. D. KESTEVEN, Secretary.

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