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Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Lands in Section 22, Block VIII., East Winton Township, Southland County.

(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 Southland 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 the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. B. P. 0 1 31	22	VIII.	East Winton Township	836	Red.

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Lands in Block VIII., East Winton Township, Southland County.

(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, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road hereinafter described, that is to say:—

Approximate Area of the Piece of Road required to be closed.	Between Sections Nos.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 20.6	21 and 22	VIII.	East Winton Township	836	Green.

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming a Road as closed through Lands in Section 45, Block X., 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, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road in the Pohangina Survey District hereinafter described.

Areas.	Being Portions of Road intersecting Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 0 14	45	X.	Pohangina	} 96 O.R.	Green
0 0 5	45	"	"		

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Lands taken for a Road through Sections 45 and 46, Block X., 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 owner and mortgagee, and with the consent of the Pohangina County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said lands are situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as taken for a road the lands in the Pohangina Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say:—

Approximate Areas of Lands taken.	Being Portions of Sections No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 0 21	45	X.	Pohangina	} 96 O.R.	Red.
0 0 4	45	"	"		
0 2 32	46	"	"		

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Importation of Rags and Clothing prohibited.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the sixty-seventh section of "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," it is among other things enacted that the importation of arms, ammunition, gunpowder, or any other goods may be prohibited by Proclamation or Order in Council: And whereas it is expedient that the importation of the under-mentioned goods should be prohibited:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the said power and authority, do hereby order and proclaim that the importation into New Zealand

of the goods hereinafter mentioned shall be and is hereby prohibited, that is to say,—

Rags of any kind; also all clothing of every kind which has ceased to be in actual wear, and not forming part of the personal effects of any passenger or any other person on board a vessel arriving in the colony.

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

R. J. SEDDON.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Gravel-pit in Tahoraite No. 2, Tahoraite Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, the purposes of a gravel-pit in Block II., Tahoraite No. 2:

And whereas the Borough Council of Dannevirke has laid before the Governor the memorial, accompanied by a map, together with a statutory declaration required by the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of a gravel-pit.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of	Situated in	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 0 0	Tahoraite No. 2 Block	Block II., Tahoraite Survey District	S.G.43304	Blue.

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above 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 twenty-seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Lands in Block XII., Mangaone 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 owner and mortgagee of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Wairarapa North County Council, being the

local authority in whose district the said lands are situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 19	114	XII.	Mangaone ..	174	Red.
3 3 21	113	"	" ..	"	"
0 3 26	112	"	" ..	"	"
0 2 28	115	"	" ..	"	"
2 1 6	109	"	" ..	"	"
1 1 14	108	"	" ..	"	"
1 1 9	105	"	" ..	"	"
1 1 13	104	"	" ..	"	"
1 1 15	Moroa Native Reserve	"	"	"	"
2 2 14					
3 0 26	191	"	" ..	"	"

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Lands in Block XII., Mangaone 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, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road hereinafter described, that is to say:—

Approximate Area of each of the Pieces of Road required to be closed.	Fronting Sections Nos.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 8 1 10	123, 120, 117, 115, 109, 108, 105, and 104	XII.	Mangaone	174	Green
0 1 34	Intersecting Moroa Native Reserve	"	"	"	"
5 1 1					
4 3 32						Fronting Section 191

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

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

Additional Land set apart for an Improved-farm Special Settlement.

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

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred by the one-hundred-and-sixty-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be and the same is hereby set apart and declared open for a special settlement.

SCHEDULE.

OTUAREI IMPROVED SMALL-FARM SETTLEMENT BLOCK.

Area.	Section No.	Block No.	Survey District of
A. R. P. 100 0 0	10	IX.	Pukeokahu.
100 0 0	13	"	"

As the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 27747, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Prison Regulations.

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

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Prisons Act, 1882," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by Proclamation published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, make rules as to him shall seem fit touching the duties of the officers of prisons, the construction and description of cells for separate confinement or punishment of persons confined in prisons, and the certifying the same as fit for the purpose; the safe custody, the classification, hours of labour, mode of employment, separation, diet, instruction, treatment, and correction of the prisoners confined in prisons; for regulating what labour or employment shall be deemed hard labour, and for classifying such labour; and generally to prescribe all such rules as may be necessary for the good management and government of such prisons, and the discipline and safe custody of the prisoners therein, and not only while therein, but also while employed at labour beyond the limits of the prison; and such rules may be made to apply generally to all prisons, or to any one or more prisons specified in any such Proclamation as the Governor may think fit; and the Governor may from time to time alter or revoke any such rules as aforesaid, or any rules, regulations, orders, or directions in force in any prison at the commencement of the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in me vested in this behalf as aforesaid, do hereby make the following regulations for the purposes hereinbefore recited, and do publish the same to be in force within the public prisons of the colony from the thirty-first day of March next; and former Regulations Nos. 121 to 155 are hereby repealed from the said thirty-first day of March.

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

JAMES MCGOWAN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

CLASSIFICATION.

PRISONERS sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for five years and upwards (except life) will require to pass through the following classes:—

Minimum Periods with Good Conduct and Industry.

121. Probation Class: One year, during which they must earn 2,192 marks, none being credited for the first three months.

Third Class: One year, during which they must earn 2,920 marks.

Second Class: One year, during which they must earn 2,920 marks.

After which they will be eligible for promotion to the first class.

122. Every prisoner is thus required to remain in the probation class for a minimum period of one year reckoned from the date of conviction, of which three months will be passed without any remission being granted. No gratuity will be given in this class.

If his conduct and industry are good he will then be promoted to the third class, and so on to the second, remaining in each a minimum period of one year.

The remainder of the term of his imprisonment will be spent in the first class, unless he is promoted to the special class, or degraded to any lower class.

These classes will, as far as practicable, be kept quite separate from each other in prisons.

123. Prisoners sentenced to hard labour for a less period than five years will serve one-fourth of their whole sentence in each class, instead of one year, and earn marks accordingly.

124. Prisoners in probation, third, or second classes may, for misconduct, be subjected to serve an additional period in the class in which they may then be serving; and, if in third, second, or first class, may be degraded to any lower for any stated period, and, when so degraded, they must remain therein until they have earned the full number of marks allotted to such period—viz., the whole number of days multiplied by eight. Such number of marks is not, however, to be added to the original number the prisoner has to earn for remission, but it represents the number of marks he must earn before he can return to his original class.

125. Prisoners undergoing cumulative sentences will be treated as if sentenced to one term equal to the total award, except that they will serve a probation of three months without remission for each sentence, the probations to be consecutive at the commencement of the sentence.

Probation Class.

126. Prisoners in the probation class will wear the ordinary prison-dress, without any facings. They will be allowed to receive a visit of twenty minutes' duration within the first month of their conviction, provided their conduct is good, and again after they have served three months, their conduct being good for the two previous months; and, under the same conditions, they will be allowed to write and receive a letter within the first month of their conviction, and again after they have served three months; the visits to be of twenty minutes' duration. They will be allowed one period of exercise on Sundays.

Third Class.

127. Prisoners in this class to wear the prison-dress, with black facings. To receive a visit of thirty minutes' duration, and to write and receive a letter, once in two months, provided conduct has been good at least one previous month. To receive a gratuity of twelve shillings, being at the rate of one shilling per month for the time passed in this class, to be earned by marks. To be allowed one period of exercise on Sundays.

Second Class.

128. Prisoners in the second class will wear the prison-dress, with yellow facings. They will be allowed to receive a visit of thirty minutes' duration, and to receive and write a letter, once in six weeks, provided their conduct has been good for at least one previous month. To receive a gratuity of eighteen shillings, calculated at the rate of one shilling and sixpence per month for twelve months, to be earned by marks in this class. To have two periods of exercise on Sundays.

First Class.

129. Prisoners in the first class will wear the prison-dress, with red facings. They will be allowed to receive a visit of thirty minutes' duration, and to write and receive a letter, once every month, provided conduct has been good for one month previous. To receive a gratuity of thirty shillings, being at the rate of two shillings and sixpence per month for twelve months, to be earned by marks according to scale. To be allowed three periods of exercise on Sundays. No prisoner to be promoted to the first class unless he can read and write, or has done his best to learn to do so.

Special Class. (A Reward for Industry and Good Conduct.)

130. Prisoners under sentences as above may obtain the advantages of the special class on release, providing their conduct has been exemplary.

No prisoner is to be promoted to the special class till he is within twelve months of becoming due for release, and having passed through his sentence with exemplary conduct.

Prisoners in the special class will wear a blue dress.

They will be allowed to be recommended for an extra remission not exceeding one month; to be recommended for an extra gratuity on discharge not exceeding two pounds; to receive a visit of thirty minutes, and to receive and write a letter, once a fortnight; to have baked instead of boiled meat twice a week, or dinner prepared in such other way as the circumstances will admit.

One punishment for misconduct in special class forfeits the privileges of this class, which cannot be restored.

131. For practical purposes in granting the gratuities the following scale will be adopted:—

In third class, 20 marks are equal to 1d.
In second " 20 " " 1½d.
In first " 20 " " 2½d.

132. The case of a convict whose conduct has been bad, and who has earned no gratuity, is to be submitted to the Minister of Justice one month before his discharge is due.

133. Prisoners sentenced to parti-coloured dress, cross-irons, or any other special treatment shall be placed in the probation class whilst under such treatment, but on release therefrom will return to the class from which they were degraded, unless their sentence for the misconduct specifies the contrary.

FOR PRISONERS SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT WITH HARD LABOUR FOR LESS THAN FIVE YEARS.

134. The time which every prisoner must pass in prison shall be represented by a certain number of marks, which he must earn by actual labour performed to entitle him to any remission of sentence.

135. No remission will be granted for conduct except on Sundays. It is only on condition of good conduct and strict obedience that prisoners will be allowed to earn by their industry a remission of a portion of their sentences.

136. If, therefore, their conduct is indifferent or bad, they will be liable to be fined a certain number of marks, according to the nature and degree of the offence, and will thus forfeit by misconduct the remission they may have gained by their industry.

137. The scale of marks shall be: Eight marks per diem for steady hard labour and full performance of the allotted task; seven marks per diem for a less degree of industry; six marks per diem for a fair but moderate day's work.

138. No remission will be granted for the first three months of a sentence, which shall be looked upon as a period of probation; a prisoner's marks are therefore to be calculated at the rate of six per diem as commencing three months from the date of conviction: Provided that no prisoner whose conduct has not been good and industrious during the first three months of his imprisonment shall be entitled to marks until he has passed a further period of three months' probation. Should his conduct during this second period of probation be good and industrious, his marks shall be calculated as commencing six months from the date of conviction; but, if not, the prisoner shall not be entitled to marks until his conduct has been reported good and industrious for a period of three months prior to the date from which they are calculated.

139. If by his industry the prisoner gains eight marks per diem, and does not forfeit any for misconduct, he will earn the full remission of one-fourth of the time for which his marks were calculated.

140. When a prisoner is sentenced to forfeiture of time, a number of marks equal to the number of days forfeited multiplied by six is to be added to the whole number of marks he has to earn. As he can by his industry earn eight, he may thereby gain a remission of one-fourth of such forfeiture.

141. Prisoners sentenced to separate confinement shall be credited only with six marks per diem during that period.

142. Prisoners in hospital shall be credited with only six marks per diem, which may be increased on the special recommendation of the Gaoler and Gaol Surgeon by the Inspector.

143. A prisoner during his term of imprisonment will be required to pass through the following classes, viz:—

Probation Class: One-fourth of his whole sentence, on the first three months of which he will be granted no remission;

Third Class: One-fourth of his whole sentence;

Second Class: One-fourth of his whole sentence; after which he will be eligible for promotion to the first class.

144. Every prisoner is thus required to remain in the probation class for one-fourth of his whole sentence, during which time he must earn a number of marks equivalent to the days in one-fourth of the whole sentence (less the three months' probation) multiplied by eight, after which he will be eligible for promotion to the third class, and so on to the second class, serving and earning in each class a number of marks equal to one-fourth of the whole sentence.

145. A prisoner in probation, third, or second class may, for misconduct, be subjected to serve an additional period in such class in which he may then be serving; and, if in third, second, or first class, may be reduced to any lower class for any stated period, such number of days for which he may be reduced to be multiplied by eight, and the number of marks accruing therefrom to be served in such lower class in addition to the one-fourth of the sentence.

146. The remainder of the term of imprisonment, after having served the prescribed periods in the lower classes, to be spent in the first class, unless degraded to any lower class for misconduct.

147. These classes, as far as possible, to be kept separate from each other.

148. Prisoners in the probation class will wear the prison-dress, without facings. They will be allowed no gratuity, but may receive one visit of twenty minutes' duration, and write and receive one letter, immediately after their conviction, and again in three months, provided their conduct is good. They will be granted one period of exercise on Sundays.

149. All prisoners under sentence of less than six months' hard labour are to be considered as in the probation class. They may on discharge be granted a gratuity not exceeding two shillings and sixpence, unless such sentence expires on a Saturday, when this gratuity may be increased to an amount not exceeding four shillings. They will be allowed one visit of twenty minutes' duration, and to write and receive one letter, immediately after their conviction, provided their conduct is good, and on the same condition they will be allowed a visit of twenty minutes' duration, and to write and receive one letter, when within a fortnight of being entitled to their discharge.

150. Prisoners in the third class will wear the prison-dress, with black facings. They will receive a gratuity, to be earned by marks during the time spent in this class, at the rate of one penny per twenty marks. [In cases of sentences under twelve months the various privileges of visiting and writing

and receiving letters in the classes may be granted, though the specified period of three months from date of conviction may not have expired.] To receive a visit of twenty minutes' duration, and to write and receive a letter, once in two months, provided conduct in that class has been good for the four previous weeks. To be allowed one period of exercise on Sundays.

151. Prisoners in the second class will wear the prison-dress, with yellow facings. They will be eligible to receive a visit of thirty minutes' duration, and to receive and write a letter, once a month. To receive a gratuity, to be earned by marks during the time spent in this class, at the rate of one penny halfpenny per twenty marks. To be allowed two periods of exercise on Sundays.

152. Prisoners in the first class will wear the prison-dress, with red facings. They will be eligible to receive a visit of thirty minutes' duration, and to receive and write a letter, twice in each month. To receive a gratuity, to be earned by marks during the time spent in this class, at the rate of twopence halfpenny per twenty marks. To be allowed three periods of exercise on Sundays.

153. Prisoners who so far commit themselves as to be placed in cross-irons or parti-coloured suit, or under other special treatment, will be placed in the probation class whilst under such treatment, but on release therefrom will return to the class from which they were degraded, unless the sentence for misconduct specifies to the contrary.

154. Prisoners under cumulative sentences will be treated as if undergoing one term equal to the whole award, except that they will serve a probation of three months without remission for each sentence. The probations to be consecutive at the commencement of the imprisonment.

155. Prisoners undergoing sentences of four, three, and two years' hard labour may, by exemplary conduct and industry during their sentences, earn a special remission and gratuity, as follows, at the discretion of the Inspector:—

- Four years Fourteen days, and £1 10s.
- Three years Seven days, and £1.
- Two years Nil, and 10s.

155A. Prisoners undergoing sentences of imprisonment without hard labour who volunteer to and perform hard labour, whose conduct and industry are exemplary, will be entitled to a remission under the foregoing scale. This regulation will not, however, apply to prisoners undergoing imprisonment in default of payment of fines.

TABLE showing the Number of Marks to be earned in each Class, the Minimum to be earned towards Remission, and the Minimum Period of Sentence to be served before Release from Prison on Remission, with Gratuities.

Sentence.	Number of Marks to be earned for Classification.					Minimum of Marks to earn, commencing Three Months after Conviction.	Minimum Sentence to serve.			Gratuities.					
	Probation.	Third.	Second.	First.	Special.		Years.	Months.	Days.	Under Marks.	Special Class.	Total.			
ears Mos.										£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
0 6	..	240	240	72	..	552	..	5	8	0	3	3	0	2	6
0 9	..	488	488	122	..	1,098	..	7	15	0	6	4	0	3	0
1 0	..	728	728	188	..	1,644	..	9	23	0	9	5	0	3	6
1 3	184	912	912	182	..	2,190	1	..	..	0	11	5	0	4	0
1 6	368	1,096	1,096	182	..	2,742	1	2	8	0	13	3	0	5	0
1 9	550	1,278	1,278	182	..	3,288	1	4	15	0	15	2	0	6	0
2 0	728	1,456	1,456	194	..	3,834	1	6	23	0	17	2	0	10	0
3 0	1,464	2,192	2,192	176	..	6,024	2	3	23	1	4	6	1	0	0
4 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	182	..	8,214	3	..	23	1	12	0	1	10	0
5 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	2,372	..	10,404	3	9	23	2	14	6	2	0	0
6 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	2,920	1,642	12,594	4	6	23	3	5	0	2	5	0
7 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	3,832	2,920	14,784	5	3	23	3	10	0	2	10	0
8 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	6,022	2,920	16,974	6	..	23	3	15	0	2	15	0
9 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	8,212	2,920	19,164	6	9	23	4	0	0	3	0	0
10 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	10,402	2,920	21,354	7	6	23	4	5	0	3	5	0
11 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	12,592	2,920	23,544	8	3	23	4	10	0	3	10	0
12 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	14,782	2,920	25,734	9	..	23	4	15	0	3	15	0
13 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	16,972	2,920	27,924	9	9	23	5	0	0	4	0	0
14 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	19,162	2,920	30,114	10	6	23	5	5	0	4	5	0
15 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	21,352	2,920	32,304	11	3	23	5	10	0	4	10	0
16 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	23,542	2,920	34,494	12	..	23	5	15	0	4	15	0
17 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	25,732	2,920	36,684	12	9	23	6	0	0	5	0	0
18 0	2,192	2,920	2,020	27,922	2,920	38,874	13	6	23	6	5	0	5	5	0
19 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	30,112	2,920	41,064	14	3	23	6	10	0	5	10	0
20 0	2,192	2,920	2,920	32,302	2,920	43,254	15	..	23	6	15	0	5	15	0

Terms and Conditions of Lease of Village-homestead Allotments in Wellington.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of March, 1900.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE JAMES CARROLL PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—OHINEWAIKURU SURVEY DISTRICT.—TAIHAPE VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
		A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
72	XIV.	28	0	0	1	7	2	1 2 5
73	"	31	3	16	1	7	2	1 5 6
74	"	32	1	32	1	10	36	1 10 3
75	"	19	2	32	2	4	52	1 3 5
76	"	25	0	0	1	7	2	1 0 0
77	"	47	3	16	1	4	8	1 13 6

These sections are situated in the Awarua Block, being part of Subdivision 4A, No. 3A, and are situated about one mile north of the Township of Taihape, four of them having a frontage to the proposed North Island Main Trunk Railway-line.

The access to Sections 74 and 75 is from Taihape by a formed dray-road; the access to Sections 72 and 73 by an unformed accommodation-road, 15 chains in length, crossing railway-line from aforesaid dray-road; access to Section 76 by about 10 chains of unformed branch road from dray-road; and to Section 77 by the main coach-road and an accommodation-road.

The sections generally comprise hilly and undulating land; there is a strip of about 4 acres flat on Section 76 along the frontage, also on Section 77 near the main road. The soil is of good quality, being about 9 in. of loam on a good subsoil resting on papa formation. The forest on all the sections is of a mixed kind, comprising kahikatea, matai, miro, hinau, maire, rewarewa, with a few totara-trees, with an undergrowth of karamu, horopito, makomako, rangiora, koromiko, fern, &c.

Sections 72, 73, and 77 are well watered at present, but Sections 74, 75, and 76 are poorly watered, and will require dams to provide water for stock. The elevation ranges from 1,400 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level.

The improvements on Section 74 comprise 4½ acres in grass, valued at £10 13s. 9d., and on Section 75, 8½ acres in grass, valued at £19 2s. 6d., which amounts are included in capital values.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

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

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

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

4. Applications for leases shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act, and all such applica-

tions shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington; and leases will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Terms and Conditions of Lease of Village-homestead Allotments in Marlborough.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

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

FIRST SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—WAKAMARINA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre per Annum.		Half-yearly Rent.	
		A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1	X.	0	2	0	0	8	0	0 2 0
2	"	0	2	0	0	8	0	0 2 0
20	"	0	2	0	0	8	0	0 2 0

Level land; soil good and well watered, covered with bush; about seven miles from Havelock by road.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The lands enumerated above are first-class lands.
2. The said lands are open for selection on lease in perpetuity, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").
3. The day on which the said lands shall be open for application shall be Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900.
4. The rental stated above shall be the price at which the land shall be open for application.
5. Applications shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act, and all such applications shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Blenheim.
6. Each applicant shall state his or her residence, occupation, and condition in life (namely, whether married or single), and will be required to make the declaration prescribed in Schedule C to the said Act.
7. Each applicant shall undertake to pay, immediately upon being declared the successful applicant, the first half-year's rent, together with the lease- and registration-fee.
8. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided.
9. Each selector shall within two years substantially fence and lay down in grass his selection. He must also within three years erect a dwelling-house of the value of at least £20. Residence on the land comprised in each lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act.
10. Selectors may, with the consent of the Land Board, either subdivide, sublet, or transfer their holdings in accordance with the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.
11. No person shall hold more than two allotments. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.
12. All the provisions of the said Act, so far as applicable, shall extend and apply to the lands affected by these regulations, and to the applications and leases to be made and issued thereunder, and generally to the interests created, and the persons whose rights, liabilities, or interests are thereby affected; and the mention of any particular provision of the said Act shall not be deemed to exclude any other provision of the said Act applicable to the particular case.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extension of Time for Preparation of Valuation-roll under Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, County of Buller.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it has been made to appear that certain things required to be done by "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," cannot be done by or within the times mentioned in the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in order that the purpose and intent of "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," may have effect, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Rating Act, 1882," which said Act is incorporated with the first above-mentioned Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the times for doing the said things in connection with the preparation of the valuation-roll of the County of Buller under "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," and doth declare that the times for the doing of such several things shall be those specified in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

1. For giving notice of rateable value of mining property: Until 2nd April, 1900.
2. For leaving notices of objections to valuations: Until 14th April, 1900.
3. Resident Magistrate to sit to hear objections to valuations and fix the assessment: On or after the third Monday in April, 1900.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extending the Close Season for Seals.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Sea-fisheries Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make regulations (which shall have general force and effect throughout the colony, or particular force and effect only in any waters and places specified therein) for prescribing, among other things, a close season for seals, and for extending any close season so prescribed:

And whereas it is further provided by the said Act that every person who, during any close season for seals, takes any seals is liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding five hundred pounds, and in addition thereto is liable to a further penalty, not exceeding twenty pounds, in respect of every seal so taken:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, the months of January, February, March, April, May, and June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, were prescribed a close season for seals:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, the said close season for seals was extended up to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred:

And whereas it is desirable to further extend such close season for seals:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto; and with the like advice and consent doth order that such regulations shall have force and effect throughout the Colony of New Zealand, and in all salt, fresh, and brackish waters of the colony, and on all shores of such waters or any part thereof.

SCHEDULE.

REGULATIONS.

1. The close season for seals prescribed by regulations made by Order in Council dated the 21st day of December, 1894, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 1, of the 4th day of January, 1895, and which was, by Order in Council dated the 28th day of February, 1899, extended up to the 30th day of June, 1900, is hereby further extended up to the 30th day of June, 1901.

2. Every person who, during the close season prescribed as aforesaid, takes any seal is liable to a penalty of not less than £25 nor more than £500, and in addition thereto is liable to a further penalty of not less than £1 nor more than £20 in respect of every seal so taken. The taking of seals means and includes the killing, catching, dredging for, raising, or hunting of any seal, or any attempt so to do.

3. No person shall buy, sell, expose for sale, consign for sale, buy for sale, or have in possession any seal, or any skins, oil, or blubber from any seal, in any manner in contravention of the said Act or of these regulations; and every person so doing is liable for every such offence to a penalty of not less than £1 nor more than £20.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Public Domains Act, 1881," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby revoke certain Orders in Council, dated the third day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and the twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, making delegation of certain powers in manner as therein appears; and doth hereby, with the like advice and consent, and in respect of

the land hereinafter mentioned, delegate all the powers conferred by the said Act, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, for the period of ten years from the date hereof (unless previously altered or revoked under the said Act), to

THE PARNELL BOROUGH COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Parnell Domain Board (herein referred to as "the Board"), subject to the stipulations hereinafter contained, that is to say,—

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business once in each month, at the Borough Council Chambers, Parnell, at such time as may be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Thursday, the nineteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred.

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

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

4. The Mayor shall be the Chairman of the Board. He may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, situated in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres 3 roods 24 perches, more or less, being Allotment No. 89 of Section No. 1 of the Suburbs of Auckland.

All those pieces of land in the Auckland Land District, containing together 2 acres 2 roods 14 perches, more or less, being Allotment No. 34 of Section 4, and Allotment No. 5A of Section 14, of the Suburbs of the Town of Auckland. Allotment No. 34 containing 2 acres 2 roods 5½ perches, more or less: bounded towards the north by Allotment No. 30, 200 links; towards the east and south by Hobson Bay; towards the south-west by a creek; and towards the north-west by a road-line, 162 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. Allotment No. 5A containing 8½ perches: bounded towards the north-east by a creek; towards the east by Hobson Bay; and towards the south-west and north-west by a road-line, 245 links and 145 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Waimakariri Harbour Board to be subject to the Provisions of "The Public Bodies' Powers Act, 1887."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Public Bodies' Powers Act, 1887" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time declare that any leasing authority shall be subject to the provisions of the said Act, but that no such Order shall have any effect unless it be issued at the request or upon the recommendation of the leasing authority on whose behalf such Order is issued: And whereas it has been made to appear that the Waimakariri Harbour Board are a leasing authority within the meaning of the said Act, and have requested that they may be brought under the provisions thereof:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice of the Exe-

cutive Council of the said colony, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the said Act, doth hereby order and declare that from and after the date hereof the Waimakariri Harbour Board shall be subject to the provisions of "The Public Bodies' Powers Act, 1887."

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Increasing the Holding-area of Land to Settlers in the Morley Village Settlement, Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, under the authority of section one hundred and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided that no lessee should hold more than twenty-five acres in the Morley Village:

And whereas it is expedient to allow one person to hold more than twenty-five acres in the Morley Village Settlement, provided that the total area acquired does not exceed fifty acres in extent:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Morley Village Settlement shall be held, and doth declare that on and after the date hereof any settler may apply for and acquire land therein of an area not exceeding fifty acres in extent in the whole: And it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, aforesaid, shall apply except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Morley Village Settlement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Increasing the Holding-area of Land to Settlers in the Eastern Bush Village Settlement.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, under the authority of section one hundred and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided that no lessee should hold more than ten acres in the Eastern Bush Village:

And whereas it is expedient to allow one person to hold more than ten acres in the Eastern Bush Village Settlement, provided that the total area does not exceed twenty acres in extent:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Eastern Bush Village Settlement shall be held, and doth declare that on and after the date hereof any settler may apply for and acquire land therein of an area not exceeding twenty acres in extent in the whole. And it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, aforesaid, shall apply, except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Eastern Bush Village Settlement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Increasing the Holding-area of Land to Settlers in the Ackers Village Settlement, Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, under the authority of section one hundred and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided that the maximum area that could be held by a lessee of lands in the Ackers Village was fifty acres:

And whereas it is expedient to allow one person to hold more than fifty acres in the Ackers Village Settlement, provided that the total area acquired does not exceed sixty-five acres in extent:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Ackers Village shall be held, and doth declare that, on and after the date hereof, any settler may apply for and acquire land therein of an area not exceeding sixty-five acres in extent in the whole; and it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, aforesaid, shall apply, except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Ackers Village Settlement aforesaid.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Increasing the Holding-area of Land to Settlers in the Croydon Village Settlement, Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, under the authority of section one hundred and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided that no lessee should hold more than one allotment in the Croydon Village:

And whereas it is expedient to allow one person to hold more than one allotment in the Croydon Village Settlement, provided that the total area acquired does not exceed fifty acres in extent:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Croydon Village Settlement shall be held, and doth declare that on and after the date hereof any settler may apply for and acquire land therein of an area not exceeding fifty acres in extent in the whole. And it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, aforesaid, shall apply, except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Croydon Village Settlement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Increasing the Holding-area of Land to Settlers in the Centre Bush Village Settlement, Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1900.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, under the authority of section one hundred

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and sixty-nine of "The Land Act, 1892," fixing the terms and conditions upon which certain village-settlement lands therein enumerated should be disposed of, it was provided that no lessee should hold more than one section in the Centre Bush Village:

And whereas it is expedient to allow one person to hold more than one section in the Centre Bush Village Settlement provided that the total area acquired does not exceed sixty acres in extent:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth hereby amend the Order in Council aforesaid so far as it affects the areas in which the land in the Centre Bush Village shall be held, and doth declare that on and after the date hereof any settler may apply for and acquire land therein of an area not exceeding sixty acres in extent in the whole; and it is hereby further declared that all the provisions of the Order in Council of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, aforesaid, shall apply, except as regards the area in which the sections may be held, to the Centre Bush Village Settlement aforesaid.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Native Land proposed to be taken for Public Health Purposes through Waiohiorore, Blocks A, B, C, and D, Borough of Gisborne, Turanganui Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of March, 1900.

Present:

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

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken for a public work, to wit, for the purposes of public health in Waiohiorore Block, Borough of Gisborne:

And whereas the said lands are held or occupied by Native owners under a title which is not derived from the Crown: And whereas a map in duplicate has been prepared of the said lands by the Gisborne Borough Council, as required by the eighty-eighth section of "The Public Works Act, 1894":

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by the eighty-eighth section of the said Act, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare that the lands shown upon such map, and described in the Schedule hereto, shall be deemed to be taken for the purposes of public health, and the said lands shall vest in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Gisborne, as from the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Areas of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Parts of Subdivisions	Situated in	Situated in Block	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 5 0 10	A	Waiohiorore Block	VI. & VII.	Turanganui	S.G. 42615	Green.
6 3 30	B					
11 3 7	C					
3 2 33	D					

All in the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the said parcels of land are more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Polling-places abolished and appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Electoral Act, 1893," it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor may from time to time appoint, alter, and abolish polling-places for each electoral district within the limits thereof, and that no polling-place shall be appointed unless the Governor shall be first satisfied that the place to be appointed is more convenient than any other for at least twenty electors to record their votes thereat:

Now, therefore, I, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby abolish the places mentioned in the First Schedule hereto as polling-places for the electoral districts the names of which are therein specified, and appoint the places mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto to be polling-places for the electoral districts the names of which are therein specified.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES ABOLISHED.

Bay of Islands Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Okaihau.
Hare's Hall, Kao.
The Native Schoolhouse, Te Kao.
Jarvie's Store, Kawerua.
Tynan's Store, Waihopo.
The Schoolhouse, Motukaraka.
The Schoolhouse, Takahue.
The Courthouse, Ahipara.
Mr. Yates's Building, Pana, Parengarenga.
The Public Hall, Totara North.
The Post-office, Ruapekapeka.
The Public Hall, Towai.
The Post-office, Broadwood.
The Schoolhouse, Wai-o-te-Marama.
Canterbury Settlement Schoolhouse, Waimamaku.
Whitefield's Schoolroom, Oue.
Kjer's Store, Kai Iwi.
The Public Hall, Utakura.
The Schoolhouse, Ramarama.
Mangatu School, Mangatu.
The Schoolhouse, Umawera.
Finlayson's Hut, Te Karaka.
The Schoolhouse, Punakitere.
Mitchelson's Order Office, Aoroa.
The Public Hall, Maunganui Bluff.
Olson's Store, Waiharera.
Gillibrand's Store, Lake Ohia.
Carr's Store, Takakuri.
Fred. W. Humphrey's Residence, Avoca.
Kairara Hall, Kairara.
Finlayson Bros. and Brown's Office, Waimata.
Mr. McNamara's Store, Ngawha.
Mountain's Store, Purera.
J. Clarke's Store, Puketi.
The Schoolhouse, Waihou.
David's Store, Otoroa.
Adamson's Store, Taipa.
The Schoolhouse, Fern Flat.
Kaitui Schoolhouse, Kaitui.
Marlborough School, Marlborough Settlement.
Langstone's Store, Tangowahine.
Native Schoolhouse, Matauri.

Waitemata Electoral District—

Mr. Paddison's House, Owena, Great Barrier Island.
The Schoolroom, Ahuroa.
The Maori School, Kakaria.
Mr. T. Marks's Store, Makarau.
Wharf-shed, Whangaparaoa.

Eden Electoral District—

The Public Schoolhouse, West Coast Road, Waitakerei.
The Public Schoolhouse, Brooklyn.

City of Auckland Electoral District—

The Agricultural Hall, Market Square.
The Newton West Public School, Arch Hill.

Manukau Electoral District—

The Public Hall, Oneshunga (principal).

Franklin Electoral District—

The Unsectarian Church, Brookby.
The Schoolhouse, Kohekohe.
The Public School, Maioro.
The Schoolhouse, Manukau Heads.
The Library, Bombay.
The Schoolhouse, Ness Valley.
The Public School, Waiheke.
The Schoolhouse, Orua Bay.
The Post-office (Parris), Waiheke.
The Schoolhouse, Karaka.

Bay of Plenty Electoral District—

The Polling-booth, Athenree.
Thistlethwaite's Cottage, Oropi.
The Polling-booth, Waiotapu.

Waipau Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Kawakawa.
The Polling-booth, Mokau, near Lake Waikaremoana.
Brown's House, Ruakituri.
Proudlock's House, Tarewa.

Hawke's Bay Electoral District—

Mr. Macdonald's Shop, Kuripapanga.
Mr. Noel's Store, Waikonini.
The Polling-booth, Korokipo.
Haycock's Store, Elsthorpe.
The Schoolhouse, Patangata.
Mr. McKenzie's Store, Fern Hill.
The Schoolhouse, Pohui.
Williams's Accommodation-house, Rissington.
The Old Schoolhouse, Tarawera.
Mr. Donnelly's Shed, Waimarama.
Mr. Towgood's Woolshed, Tongioio.

Napier Electoral District—

The Orange Hall, Raffles Street.
The Presbyterian Schoolroom, Spit.
The Marist Brothers' Schoolroom, Shakespeare Road.
The Grammar School, Napier Terrace.
The Sunday School, Chaucer Road South.
The Park Racecourse Booth, Greenmeadows.
The Bethel Mission Hall, Western Spit.

Masterton Electoral District—

The Premises of Mr. Alfred Burling, Waterfall Creek.
The Premises of Mr. John Smith, Forest Flat, Alfredton.
The Railway-station, Mangamahoe.

Patea Electoral District—

The Argyle Hall, Hunterville.
Mr. N. Fitzherbert's House, Aberfeldie.
The Schoolhouse, Momohaki.
The Hall, Hurleyville.
The Schoolhouse, Whakamara.
The Hall, Kohi.
The Schoolhouse, Mount View.
The Polling-booth, Makirikiri.
The Polling-booth, Karioi.
G. B. McMaster's Store, Mangamahoe.
The Polling-booth, Ngamatea.
The Polling-booth, Whareroa.
Richardson's House, Tokomaru East.
Ruanui Station, Pohonui.
McLeod's House, Te Kapua Block.
The Schoolhouse, Silverhope.
M. Tierney's House, Poukiore.
The Native Schoolhouse, Parapara.
Langey's House, Rawhitiroa Road.
Stebbing's Woolshed, Kai Iwi (Tokomaru West).
The Polling-booth, Somerville Block.
The Polling-booth, Ohakune.
E. P. Blake's House, Whenuakura.
The Schoolhouse, Kauangaroa.
The Polling-booth, Bald Hill.

Wanganui Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, corner of Keith and Liverpool Streets, Wanganui.
The Schoolhouse, Westmere.

Palmerston Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Campbell Street, Palmerston North.
The Schoolhouse, College Street, Palmerston North.
The Maori Council-house, Te Awahuri.
The Schoolhouse, Jackeytown.
The Schoolhouse, Kelvin Grove.
Aratika Schoolhouse, Midland Road.

Otaki Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Wainuiomata.
The Schoolhouse, Kaitoke.
The Schoolhouse, Paikakariki.
The Schoolhouse, Ohau.
The Schoolhouse, Rikiorangi.
The Post-office, Paramata.
The Schoolhouse, Tawa Flat.
Mr. Allan Cameron's Homestead, Day's Bay.
The Odd Fellows' Hall, Lower Hutt.
The Polling-booth, Belmont.
The Schoolhouse, Akatarawa.

City of Wellington Electoral District—

Taine, Haigh, and Co.'s Auction Mart, Customhouse Quay (principal).
The Public School, Riddiford Street.
The Presbyterian Schoolroom, Pirie Street.
The Rechabite Hall, Manners Street.
The Boys' Institute, Victoria Street.
The Sailors' Rest, Jervis Quay.
The Volunteer Drill-shed, Ballance Street.
Shortt's Auction Mart, Willis Street.

City of Nelson Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Clifton Terrace, Wakapuaka.
 The Half-way House, Whangamoa.
 The Schoolhouse, Ranzau, Hope.
 Mr. John H. Black's House, North-west Bay.
 The Post-office, Maori Bay, Pelorus Sound.
 The Post-office, Brightlands, Pelorus Sound.
 Mr. W. T. Webber's House, Elmslie's Bay French Pass.
 The New Schoolhouse, Canvastown.
 The Schoolhouse, Happy Valley.
 The Rai Falls Accommodation-house.
 The Schoolhouse, Whangarae, Croixelles.
 Mr. W. Turner's House, Admiralty Bay.
 The Post-office, Elaine Bay.

Wairau Electoral District—

The Good Templars' Hall, Grove Road, Blenheim.
 The Schoolhouse, Upper Spring Creek.
 Mr. Andrew Watson's House, Redwood Town.
 The Schoolhouse, Springlands.
 The Schoolhouse, Grove Town.
 The Public Hall, Marlborough Town.
 The Schoolhouse, Fairhall.
 Hut known as "Blackwall," Birch Hill.
 The Station-house, Upcot.
 The Old Station-house, Molesworth.
 The Store, Weld's Hill Station.
 Old Blacksmith's Shop, Lower Awatere.
 The Schoolhouse, Blind River.
 The Post-office, Top Valley.
 The Schoolhouse, Deep Creek.
 The Schoolhouse, Okaramio.
 The Schoolhouse, Gibson Town, Kaituna.
 The Courthouse, Cullensville.
 The Schoolhouse, The Grove.
 The Portage, Mr. Gullery's House, Kenepuru.
 The Post-office, Port Underwood.
 Mr. J. H. Bond's House, Homewood, Pelorus Sound.
 The Post-office, Ketu Bay, Pelorus Sound.
 The Post-office, Te Awaiti, Tory Channel.
 The Schoolhouse, Endeavour Inlet.
 Mr. Mear's House, Kaituna Road, near Havelock.
 Mr. Well's House, Four Fathom Bay, Pelorus Sound.
 The Post-office, Waimaru, Pelorus Sound.
 The Post-office, St. Omer.
 Mr. Masefield's House, Manaroa.
 Mr. Finister's House, Bulwer Town.
 The Post-office, Hikoekoa.
 The Station-house, Hopai.
 The Post-office, Dieffenbach.
 The Post-office, Ingaroa.
 Mr. Turner's House, Admiralty Bay.
 Mr. Hocquard's House, St. Louis Bay.
 Mr. G. Harris's House, Blaymire's Valley, Kenepuru.
 The Schoolhouse, Omaka.
 The Cement Shed, Dumgree Flat, Awatere.

Ashley Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Leithfield.
 The Schoolhouse, Kaikoura Suburbs.
 The Schoolhouse, Broomfield.
 The Schoolhouse, Woodside.
 The Post-office, Waipara.
 The Road Board Office, Balcairn.
 The Post-office, Hundalee Settlement.
 The Hall, Hawarden.

Riccarton Electoral District—

The Mothers' Union Hall, Lincoln Road.
 The Schoolhouse, Broadfield.
 The Library, Islington.
 The Druids' Hall, Hornby.
 The Church Schoolhouse, Fendalton.
 The Schoolhouse, Ladbroke's.

Ellesmere Electoral District—

McDonald's Saddler's Shop, Springston.
 The Schoolhouse, Doyleston.
 The Schoolhouse, Teddington.
 Holme's Woolshed, Knocklynn, Halswell.

Oamaru Electoral District—

The Public Hall, Weston.
 The Borough Council Chambers, Oamaru.
 The Cricket Pavilion, North Road, Oamaru.
 Mr. W. Gardiner's Hut, Peebles.
 Mr. Norman J. Ward's House, near Railway-station, Herbert.

City of Dunedin Electoral District—

The Public Library, MacLaggan Street, Mornington.
 The Schoolhouse, High Street, Dunedin.
 The Mission Hall, Walker Street, Dunedin.
 The Mission Hall, Kaikorai Valley.
 The Schoolhouse, Pine Hill.
 The Schoolhouse, North-east Valley.
 The Mission Hall, Arthur Street, Dunedin.

The Schoolhouse, Albany Street, Dunedin.
 The Schoolhouse, George Street, Dunedin.
 The Normal School, Moray Place, Dunedin.
 St. Joseph's Girls' School, Dowling Street, Dunedin.
 The Drill-shed, North Dunedin.
 The Schoolhouse, Upper Junction, North-east Valley.

Caversham Electoral District—

The Odd Fellows' Hall, Main South Road, Caversham.
 The Post-office, Parkside, Caversham.
 Mr. John Bone's House, Shiel Hill.

Taieri Electoral District—

Mr. William Fauld's Homestead, Green Island Bush.
 The Schoolhouse, Lee Stream.
 Mr. John Welsh's House, Deep Stream.

Invercargill Electoral District—

The Council Chambers, Ellis Road, East Invercargill.
 The South Schoolhouse, Crinan Street, Invercargill.
 The Council Hall, North Invercargill.
 The Council Hall, South Invercargill.
 The House of Mr. Carl Hacker, Richmond Grove.
 The Presbyterian Meetinghouse, Georgetown.
 The Town Hall, Avenal.
 The Primitive Methodist Schoolroom, Don Street, Invercargill.
 The Shop of Mr. G. McConechy, corner of Nith and Ettrick Streets, Invercargill.
 Fairweather's Hall, Scott Street, South Invercargill.
 Guthrie's Buildings, corner of Dee and Spey Streets, Invercargill.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES APPOINTED.

Bay of Islands Electoral District—

Marshall's Hall, Towai.
 Hare's Store, Kao.
 The Hall, Okaihau.
 The Hall, Totara.
 Mitchelson's Old Office, Aoroa.

Waitemata Electoral District—

The Post-office, Whangaparaoa.

Manukau Electoral District—

The Courthouse, Onehunga (principal).

Franklin Electoral District—

The Public School, Otatau.

Napier Electoral District—

Seymour's Hall, Spit.
 The Orange Hall, White Road.

Masterton Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Mangamahoe.
 The Polling-booth, Alfredton.
 The Premises of Mr. Holmes-Warren, Tiraumea.

Hawera Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Rawhitiroa Road.

Patea Electoral District—

The Town Hall, Hunterville.
 The Polling-booth, Aberfeldie.

Wanganui Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Okoia.

Otaki Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Hutt.

City of Wellington Electoral District—

Haigh and Morrah's Auction-mart, Harbour Street (principal).

Wairau Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Marlboroughtown.
 The Schoolhouse, Manaroa.
 The Schoolhouse, Cullensville.

Ashley Electoral District—

Waiting Room, Waipara.

Riccarton Electoral District—

The Road Board Office, Fendalton.

Ellesmere Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Day's Road, Springston.

Oamaru Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Weston.

Caversham Electoral District—

Mr. Joseph Schofield's Shop, David Street, Caversham.
 The Borough Council Chambers, College Street, Caversham.

Invercargill Electoral District—

The Fire Brigade Station, Ettrick Street, Invercargill.
 The Invercargill Borough Council Chambers, Kelvin Street, Invercargill.

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

JAMES MCGOWAN,
 For Colonial Secretary.

Polling-places abolished and appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Electoral Act, 1893," it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor may from time to time appoint, alter, and abolish polling-places for each electoral district within the limits thereof, and that no polling-place shall be appointed unless the Governor shall be first satisfied that the place to be appointed is more convenient than any other for at least twenty electors to record their votes thereat:

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES ABOLISHED.

Ohinemuri Electoral District—

The Polling-booth, Nevesville.
The Polling-booth, Te Ao Marama.
The Polling-booth, The Wires.

Waipawa Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Ormondville.
The Schoolhouse, Ongaonga.
The Odd Fellows' Hall, Dannevirke.
The Schoolhouse, Whakarara.
The Schoolhouse, Matamau.
The Schoolhouse, Makotuku.
The Schoolhouse, Norsewood.
The Schoolhouse, Takapau.
The Schoolhouse, Porangahau.
The Schoolhouse, Blackburn.
The Schoolhouse, Ashley-Clinton.
The Schoolhouse, Umutoeroa.
Roadman's Whare, Mangatoro Crossing, Ngapaeruru.

Pahiatua Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Woodville (principal).
The Schoolhouse, Ti-tree Point.
The Public Hall, Pongaroa.
Burling's House, Waterfalls.
D. J. Robertson's House, Waiowaka.
G. R. Hutching's House, Manuhara.
The Schoolhouse, Mangatiti.
Mr. Hansen's House, Tane.
The Schoolhouse, Mangatainoka.
The Schoolhouse, Herbertville.
The Schoolhouse, Kumeroa.
The Schoolhouse, Ballance.
The Schoolhouse, Upper Makairo.
Mr. Lund's House, Naenae.
Mrs. Ensom's House, Mangamaire.

Manawatu Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Sanson.
The Schoolhouse, Carnarvon.
The Schoolhouse, Moutoa.
The Schoolhouse, Tokomaru.
The Schoolhouse, Kereru.
The Schoolhouse, Parawanui.
The Schoolhouse, Greatford.
The Schoolhouse, Taikorea.

Motueka Electoral District—

The Schoolroom, Sherry.
The Schoolroom, Pangatotara.
The Schoolroom, Pokororo.
The Schoolroom, Lower Moutere.
The Schoolroom, Sandy Bay.
The Schoolroom, Rockville.
The Schoolroom, Ferntown.
The Schoolroom, East Takaka.
The Schoolroom, Waingaro.
The Schoolroom, Long Plain.
The Schoolroom, Motupipi.
The Schoolroom, Pariwahakaho.
The Store-room, Golden Ridge.
Pratt's Cottage, Totaranui.
The Post-office, Tophouse.
The Schoolroom, Upper Motupiko.
The Schoolroom, Wangapeka.
The Manager's House, Quartz Ranges.
Washbourne's Cottage, Parapara.

Buller Electoral District—

White's Buildings, White's Point.
Mr. Norris's Homestead, Junction of Warwick and Maruia Rivers.
The Polling-booth, Merrijigs.
The Polling-booth near Owen Junction.

The Schoolhouse, Inangahua Landing.
The Polling-booth, Victoria Range.
Building, corner of Cobden and Palmerston Streets, Westport.
The Town Hall, Westport.

Grey Electoral District—

The Republic Company's Hut, Healey's Gully.
Francis Mack's Storeroom, Welshman's.
Waters's House, New River, South Beach.
Cox and Bell's Hut, Twelve-Mile, North Beach.
Big River Company's Cyanide-house, Big River.
Begin's House, Antonio's Flat.
Michael Fox's House, Haupiri.
The Schoolhouse, Lower Moonlight (Atarau).

Kaipoi Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Fernside.
The Schoolhouse, Southbrook.
The Schoolhouse, Waikoukou.
The Schoolhouse, Carlton.
The Schoolhouse, View Hill Plains.
The Schoolhouse, Clarkville.
The Schoolhouse, Swannanoa.
The Schoolhouse, East Eyreton.

Westland Electoral District—

The Polling-booth, Fox's.
The Polling-booth, Duffer's Creek.
The Schoolhouse, Te Kinga.
The Polling-booth, Waimea Water-race Extension Works, Wainihini.
The Polling-booth, Kelly's Creek.
The Polling-booth, Humphrey's Gully, Mount Crown

City of Christchurch Electoral District—

Odd Fellows' Hall, Montreal Street North.
St. John's Schoolroom, Madras Street.
East Christchurch Main School, Gloucester Street.
East Christchurch Side School, South Belt.
The Mission Hall, Colombo Street, Sydenham.

Ashburton Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Seafield.
The Town Hall, Staveley.
The Schoolhouse, Lowcliffe.
The Schoolhouse, Hampstead.
The Schoolhouse, Winslow.
The Schoolhouse, Ruapuna.
The Rangitata Road Board Office, Lismore.
The Schoolhouse, Westerfield.
The Polling-booth, Longbeach.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES APPOINTED.

Waipawa Electoral District—

The Public Hall, Porangahau.
The County Office, Ongaonga.
Hardy's Woolshed, Blackburn.
The Public Library, Ashley-Clinton.
May's Hall, Takapau.
The Hall, Norsewood.
The Courthouse, Ormondville.
Foresters' Hall, Makotuku.
Mrs. Thompson's Cottage, Matamau.
The Hall, Umutoeroa.

Pahiatua Electoral District—

The Council Chambers, Woodville (principal).
The Public Hall, Kumeroa.
The Road Board Office, Ti-tree Point.
Teacher's Residence, Herbertville.
The Schoolhouse, Pangaroa.
The Public Library, Mangatainoko.
The Wesleyan Church Vestry, Ballance.
Mr. Burbush's House, Mangamaire.
The Schoolhouse, Tane.

Manawatu Electoral District—

The Courthouse, Sanson.
Motueka Electoral District—
Accommodation House, Tophouse.

Buller Electoral District—

Victoria Theatre, Westport.

Grey Electoral District—

Kinsella's Old Store, Healey's Gully.
Thos. Leamy's House, Cameron's.
J. McDonald's Residence, Bell Hill.

Christchurch Electoral District—

Wesleyan Church School, East Belt.
The Druids' Hall, Colombo Street.

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

JAMES MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

Polling-places abolished and appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Electoral Act, 1893," it is among other things enacted that the Governor may from time to time appoint, alter, and abolish polling-places for each electoral district within the limits thereof, and that no polling-place shall be appointed unless the Governor shall be first satisfied that the place to be appointed is more convenient than any other for at least twenty electors to record their votes thereat:

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES ABOLISHED.

Waikato Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Churchill.
The Schoolhouse, Tauwhare.
The Public Hall, Hukanui.
The Schoolhouse, Maramarua.
The Schoolhouse, Ruapuke.
The Post-office, Hewitt's House, Waimai.
Inkster's Store, Terauamoa.
The Schoolhouse, Paemako.
The Schoolhouse, Te Kopua.
No. 2 Schoolhouse, Matahura.
The Schoolhouse, Ohinewai.
Hunt's Store, Porootarao, Central.
Wilson's Surveyor's Camp, Marion Road.
Polling-booth, Road-works, Hauturu.
The Government Cottage, Kawhia.
The Schoolhouse, Kaiawa.
Bond's Store, Waitomo Caves.
The Schoolhouse, Papatata.

Rangitikei Electoral District—

The Foresters' Hall, Feilding.
The Schoolhouse, Elmwood.
The Schoolhouse, Stanway.
The Schoolhouse, Rangiwahia.
The Schoolhouse, Utiku.
The Schoolhouse, Taihape.
Mr. A. H. Atkinson's House, Pakihikura.
The Schoolhouse, Apiti.
The Schoolhouse, Pohangina.
The Schoolhouse, Ruahine.
The Schoolhouse, Colyton.
The Schoolhouse, Awahou.
Surveyor's Whare, Apiti-Norsewood Road, Salisbury Block.
Bell's Woolshed, Oroua River, opposite Kimbolton.
The Schoolhouse, Cunningham's.
Mr. Fowler's House, Peep-o'-Day.
The Schoolhouse, Kawhatau, Timaru Settlement.
Mr. Law's House, Pukeokahu.
Mr. W. Archer's House, Tiriraukawa.
The Schoolhouse, Rewa.
The Schoolhouse, Nikau.
The Schoolhouse, Kimbolton.
The Schoolhouse, Komaka.

Selwyn Electoral District—

The Road Board Office, Coalgate.
The Schoolhouse, Annat.
The Schoolhouse, South Malvern.
The Schoolhouse, Awaroa.

Waihemo Electoral District—

The Schoolhouse, Nenthorn.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES APPOINTED.

Rangitikei Electoral District—

The Public Hall, Colyton.
The Public Hall, Kimbolton.
The Public Hall, Pohangina.
Guy's Hall, Apiti.
The Hall, Rangiwahia.
Mr. Luk's Building, Utiku.
The Public Hall, Taihape.

Waikato Electoral District—

The Public Hall, Porootarao.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the Governor may declare his intention to make, change, exchange, or alter the dedication of any public reserve now or hereafter vested in Her Majesty or the Governor for any of the purposes named in Class II. of the Schedule to the said Act, whether the same be granted or not; if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to change the purpose of such reserve or any part thereof from the purpose or presumed purpose for which it was set apart to any other purpose, or if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to exchange any of the land comprised in such reserve for other land of equal value, to be dedicated to one or more purposes named in the said Class II., the Governor may, by notice gazetted, declare his intention to make such change, exchange, or dedication, as the case may be, and in such notice declare the manner and terms in which the same is intended to be so made:

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 change the specific purpose of the portion of the reserves described in the second column of the Schedule hereto from that named in the first column of the said Schedule to that named in the third column of the said Schedule respectively.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Original Reserve.	Portion which it is intended to change.	Intended Purpose.
Four hundred and eighty acres, more or less, situate in Ashley District (Kowai and Mandeville and Rangiora Road Districts), being that portion of the river-bed of the Ashley bounded on the southward by Reserve 1380 (in red), also by the road north of Section 4216; on the eastward by a line 20 chains east of and parallel to railway-bridge; on the westward by a line 100 chains west of and parallel to the eastern boundary; and on the northward by the road south of Sections 2866, 2864, 2863, 1293, 2922, 4492, 2860, 2163, and 4454. Reserved for railway-conservation purposes by warrant of the 11th day of October, 1877, and published in <i>Gazette</i> No. 84, of the 11th October, 1877.	All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing 194 acres 1 rood, more or less, being reserve numbered 3503, formerly part of Reserve 1921, situate in Block VI., Rangiora Survey District. Bounded on the northward by a road along the northern bank of the Ashley River, fronting Sections 2866, 2864, 2863, to a point opposite the south-western corner of Section 1293; on the eastward by a line from the said point to the south-western corner of Reserve 1380; on the southward by Reserve 3036; and on the westward by the eastern boundary of Reserve 2431: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch. The aforesaid parcel of land, being part of Reserve 1921, was permanently reserved for railway-conservation purposes in the <i>New Zealand Gazette</i> No. 84, 11th October, 1877, page 1012.	River-conservation purposes.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-seventh day of March, 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 enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-ninth day of May, 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.

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.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Waimarino Block.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.						
Wanganui	Manganui ..	16	XV.	200	0	0	1	5	0	200	0	0	1	3	5	0	0	1	0	4	0	0

Weighted with £36 for improvements.

Salisbury Block.

Pohangina	Apiti ..	12	XVI.	200	0	0	1	1	0	210	0	0	1	0	6	5	5	0	0	10	0	8	4	4	0
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Weighted with £50 10s. for improvements. The Pohangina County Council has a claim against this section of 10s. 2d. for rates.

Pohangina	Apiti ..	13	XVI.	200	0	0	1	7	6	275	0	0	1	4	5	6	17	6	1	1	2	5	10	0
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Weighted with £72 5s. for improvements. The Pohangina County Council has a claim against this section of 9s. 10d. for rates.

Christchurch Block.

Wairarapa N.	Puketoi ..	11	III.	200	0	0	1	5	0	250	0	0	1	3	6	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0
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SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Mekalickstone Block.

Akitio ..	Aohanga ..	18	VI.	300	0	0	0	17	6	262	10	0	0	10	5	6	11	3	0	8	4	5	5	0
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Section 16, Block XV., Manganui District, is situated in the Waimarino Block. The access is from Raetihi Township, which is about nine miles distant by the Ohura and Middle Roads, which are formed for dray traffic (summer roads only) for about four miles; the rest is formed bridle-track, bad in winter. The section comprises about 100 acres flat or undulating land, fit for ploughing when cleared of bush; the rest is hilly. The soil is fairly good, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The forest is somewhat heavy near the road, but light at the back, comprising rimu, matai, tawa, mako, konini, rangiora, &c., with a thick undergrowth. The section is watered by small streams. The elevation ranges from about 2,000 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise—felling and grassing, 16 acres at £2 per acre, £32; fencing, £4: total, £36.

Section 12, Block XVI., Apiti District, is situated in the Salisbury Block, on the western slopes of the watershed between Coal Creek and Pohangina River. The access is from Ashhurst Railway-station, which is about twenty-one miles distant, *via* the Pohangina Valley and Makiekie Roads, which are formed for dray traffic to the section, and metalled to within about two miles of it. The Pohangina River has to be crossed twice to reach the land—by good fords when river is low. The section comprises hilly land with a few small flats; there is no good building-site on the front of the section; it is cut up by two deep ravines. The soil is of good quality, resting on shingle, sandstone, and papa formation. The forest is fairly heavy, comprising chiefly rimu, hinau, rata, tawa, matai, and a few totaras, with a thick undergrowth. The section is well watered by streams. The improvements comprise—felling and grassing, 23 acres at £2 per acre, £46; fencing, £4 10s.: total, £50 10s.

Section 13, Block XVI., Apiti District, is situated in the Salisbury Block, on the eastern slopes of the watershed between the Coal Creek and Pohangina River. The access is from Ashhurst Railway-station, which is about twenty-one miles distant, *via* the Pohangina Valley and Makiekie Roads, which are formed for dray traffic to the section and metalled to within about two miles of it. The Pohangina River has to be crossed twice to reach the land; the fords are good when the river is low. The section comprises, generally speaking, hilly land with occasional small flats. The soil is of good quality, resting on shingle, sandstone, and papa formation. The forest is fairly heavy, comprising chiefly rimu, matai, rata, tawa, hinau, &c., with a thick undergrowth of the usual kind. The section is well watered by streams. The improvements comprise—felling and grassing, 20 acres at £2 per acre, £40; fencing, £32 5s.: total, £72 5s.

Section 11, Block III., Puketoi District, is situated in the Christchurch Block, at the head of the Tiraumea River. The access is from Alfredton, which is about nineteen miles distant by the Alfredton-Weber Road—sixteen miles to its junction with the Hutiwai Road, thence along the latter road three miles. The section comprises hilly land covered with native bush. The approach to the section is difficult, owing to the road-frontage being very steep. The soil is of rotten papa mixed with a little clay, resting on papa formation. The forest is mixed, comprising rata, tawa, rimu, matai, birch, rewarewa, &c., with a moderate undergrowth. The section is well watered by two streams, branches of the Tiraumea River. The elevation ranges from about 1,200 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level.

Section 18, Block VI., Aohanga District, is situated in the Mekalickstone Block, on the Waiowaka Road. The access is from Rakaunui, which is about ten miles distant, by two miles metalled road, seven miles horse-track, remainder surveyed road only. The section comprises hilly land, somewhat steep on road-frontage. The soil is clay of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is moderate, comprising hinau, birch, matai, rata, with a light undergrowth. The section is well watered by the Waiowaka Stream. The elevation ranges from about 600 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level. The general quality of the section is fair.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands 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 sixteenth day of May, 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.

TARANAKI 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.
Stratford ..	Huiroa ..	9	VIII.	460 0 0	0 15 0	345 0 0	0 9	8 12 6	0 7 2	6 18 0
Weighted with £160, valuation for improvements, to be paid on approval of application. Rough pastoral land; small portion flat; papa formation; well watered. Timber comprises rata, rimu, &c. Access by Autawa Bridle-road from Tarata Township, about seven miles; also by Douglas Road from Stratford, and across Waitara River. About 80 acres felled and grassed.										
Stratford ..	Huiroa ..	13	VIII.	435 0 0	0 15 0	326 5 0	0 9	8 3 2	0 7 2	6 10 6
Fair pastoral land; papa formation; well watered. Timber comprises tawa, tawhero, rimu, with dense undergrowth. Access by Autawa Bridle-road from Tarata Township, about ten miles; also by Douglas Road from Stratford, and across Waitara River.										
Clifton ..	Huiroa ..	23	IV.	627 0 0	1 0 0	627 0 0	1 0	15 13 5	0 9 6	12 10 10
Weighted with £10, valuation for improvements, which must be paid with approval of application. Good soil, upon volcanic formation; well watered. The timber consists of tawa, tawhero, rimu, kahikatea, &c., with usual undergrowth. Access by Junction and Toro Roads; distant from Tarata Township six miles and a half.										
Clifton ..	Ngatimaru	5	III.	200 0 0	1 0 0	200 0 0	1 0	5 0 0	0 9 6	4 0 0
Weighted with £22 10s., valuation for improvements, which must be paid with approval of application. Pastoral land of fair quality; a small portion flat; papa formation; well watered. Timber comprises rimu, tawa, rata, &c., and usual undergrowth. Access by Junction Road; distant from Purangi Township four miles and three-quarters.										
Stratford ..	Ngatimaru	24	V.	445 0 0	0 15 0	333 15 0	0 9	8 7 0	0 7 2	6 13 6
Rough pastoral country; papa formation; well watered. Timber comprises rata, rimu, tawa, &c., and usual undergrowth. Access by Tunupo Bridle-road, and across Waitara River; about six miles from Purangi Township.										
Clifton ..	Mimi ..	18, 19	IV.	202 0 0	1 18 6	388 17 0	1 11 1	9 14 6	1 6 4	7 15 7
Fair pastoral land; papa formation; well watered; 90 acres felled and grassed, balance in bush, consisting of rata, rimu, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth. A small flat on Section 18, and whare on each section. Access by Hutuiwai Bridle-road; about two miles from Tongaporutu Township.										
Clifton ..	Mimi ..	3	VII.	190 0 0	1 0 0	190 0 0	1 0	4 15 0	0 9 6	3 16 0
Pastoral country, fair to good; small flats near Mimi Stream; papa formation; well watered. Timber comprises rimu, rata, tawa, towai, and dense undergrowth; kahikatea on flats. Access by Mokau Road; about fourteen miles and a half from Urenui; open for wheel traffic.										
Clifton ..	Mimi ..	6	VIII.	102 0 0	1 13 0	168 6 0	1 7 8	4 4 2	1 3 8	3 7 4
A small portion flat, balance rough pastoral country; papa formation; well watered; 36 acres felled and grassed, with a hut. Timber comprises rimu, rata, &c., with usual undergrowth. Access by Mokau Dray-road; about five miles from Tongaporutu Township.										
Clifton ..	Mimi ..	5	XIII.	100 0 0	1 1 0	105 0 0	1 0 6	2 12 6	0 10 08	2 2 0
Rough pastoral country; papa formation; well watered; 14 acres felled and grassed, balance forest consisting of rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth; small hut erected. Distant from Tongaporutu about fourteen miles.										
Clifton ..	Mimi ..	8	XIII.	100 0 0	1 18 6	192 10 0	1 11 1	4 16 3	1 6 4	3 17 0
Weighted with £45, valuation for improvements at late selector's own cost, to be paid upon approval of application. Rough pastoral country; papa formation; well watered; about 60 acres felled and grassed, three huts, garden and fencing, balance forest consisting of rimu, rata, tawa, &c., and usual undergrowth. Distant from Tongaporutu Township about fourteen miles.										
Stratford ..	Omona ..	20	II.	200 0 0	1 0 0	200 0 0	1 0	5 0 0	0 9 6	4 0 0
Rough pastoral land; papa formation; well watered; covered with forest consisting of rata, rimu, tawa, &c., and the usual undergrowth. Access by Tututawa Road; about twenty-one miles from Stratford. Weighted with £8, valuation for improvements, which must be paid on approval of application.										
Taranaki ..	Egmont ..	8	V.	212 0 0	0 15 6	164 6 0	0 9 3	4 2 2	0 7 4	3 5 9
Almost flat land, of fair quality, broken by several streams; volcanic formation. The timber is chiefly tawhero, with rata and rimu, also tawa, kobekohe, mahoe, &c., with the usual undergrowth. Access by Carrington Road from New Plymouth, about twelve miles, partly by a metalled dray-road.										
Taranaki ..	Egmont ..	10	V.	210 0 0	0 17 6	183 15 0	0 10 5	4 11 11	0 8 4	3 13 6
Almost flat land, of fair quality, broken by several streams; volcanic formation. The timber is chiefly tawhero, with a little rimu and rata, also tawa, kobekohe, mahoe, &c., and the usual undergrowth. Access by Carrington Road from New Plymouth, about twelve miles and a half, partly by a metalled dray-road.										
Stratford ..	Pouatu ..	16	XV.	580 0 0	0 15 0	435 0 0	0 9	10 17 6	0 7 2	8 14 0
Rough pastoral land, covered with forest consisting of tawa, tawhero, matai, miro, and usual undergrowth; a little rimu and kahikatea may be found in the valleys. The formation is papa, and well watered. Access by Putikituna Road, which is cleared from Ohura Road to Tangarakau River, and in course of formation; access also by Wanganui and Tangarakau Rivers. Distance from Strathmore Township about thirty-five miles.										
Patea ..	Opaku ..	2	XII.	1,000 0 0	0 10 0	500 0 0	0 6	12 10 0	0 4 8	10 0 0
Weighted with £22 10s., valuation for improvements, to be paid with approval of application. Rough pastoral land, covered with forest consisting of rata, rimu, tawa, &c., and usual undergrowth; soil good, lying upon a papa formation; well watered. Access by Mataimoana Road, which is formed as a bridle-road, and distant from Waverley about seventeen miles.										

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT—continued.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.			Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.		
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.		
Patea	Opaku	5	XII.	A. R. P. 261 0 0	£ s. d. 0 10 0	£ s. d. 130 10 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 3 5 3	s. d. 0 4 8	£ s. d. 2 12 3		
Rough pastoral land, covered with forest consisting of rata, rimu, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth; soil good, lying upon a papa formation; well watered. Access by Mataimoana Bridle-road; distant from Waverley about seventeen miles.												
Clifton	Waitara	11	XII.	648 0 0	0 12 6	405 0 0	0 7 5	10 2 6	0 6	8 2 0		
Broken forest country, with long spurs and slopes from 100 ft. to 1,200 ft. above sea-level; heads of streams broken by gutters. The timber comprises rimu, rata, tawa, towai, pukatea, hinau, kahikatea, and usual undergrowth; there is birch on some of the ridges. Access by Kaipikari Road; about six miles from Urenui Township.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	9	V.	385 0 0	1 1 6	413 17 6	1 0 9	10 7 0	0 10 3	8 5 7		
Weighted with £25, valuation for improvements, which must be paid upon approval of application. A small portion level, the remainder hilly country of good quality; papa formation; well watered. The timber comprises rata, rimu, kahikatea, pukatea, tawa, hinau, tawhero, with usual undergrowth; spurs rise from 500 ft. to 900 ft. above streams. Access by Okoke Dray-road; distant from Urenui Township about eight miles.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	1	VI.	254 0 0	0 18 6	234 19 0	0 11 10	5 17 6	0 8 8	4 14 0		
Weighted with £17 10s., valuation for improvements, to be paid on approval of application. A small portion flat, the remainder rough pastoral land of fair quality; papa formation; well watered. Timber consists of rata, rimu, kahikatea, pukatea, tawa, &c., and usual undergrowth. Access by Okoke and Kaka Dray-roads, about nine miles from Urenui Township.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	5	X.	660 0 0	0 15 0	495 0 0	0 9	12 7 6	0 7 2	9 18 0		
Weighted with £23, valuation for improvements, which must be paid on approval of application. Rough pastoral country; fair soil; papa formation; well watered. Timber comprises rata, rimu, kahikatea, tawa, hinau, pukatea, tawhero, with usual undergrowth; spurs rise from 500 ft. to 900 ft. above valleys; occasional terraces on hills. Access by Okoke Bridle-road; about fourteen miles from Urenui Township.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	2	XV.	310 0 0	0 17 6	271 5 0	0 10 5	6 15 8	0 8 4	5 8 6		
Rough pastoral land; fair soil on papa formation; well watered. Timber consists of tawa, rata, rimu, &c., with usual undergrowth. About six miles from Purangi, by Junction and Matau Roads.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	3	XV.	200 0 0	0 17 6	175 0 0	0 10 5	4 7 6	0 8 4	3 10 0		
Rough pastoral land; fair soil; well watered; on papa formation. Timber consists of tawa, rata, rimu, &c., with usual undergrowth. About six miles from Purangi, by Junction and Matau Roads.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	4	XV.	200 0 0	0 17 6	175 0 0	0 10 5	4 7 6	0 8 4	3 10 0		
Rough pastoral land; fair soil; well watered; on papa formation. Timber consists of tawa, rata, rimu, &c., with usual undergrowth. About five miles from Purangi, by Junction and Matau Roads.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	5	XV.	200 0 0	0 17 6	175 0 0	0 10 5	4 7 6	0 8 4	3 10 0		
A very small area flat, balance rough pastoral land; fair soil; well watered; on papa formation. Timber consists of tawa, rata, rimu, &c., with usual undergrowth. About five miles from Purangi, by Junction and Matau Roads.												
Clifton	Up. Waitara	6	XV.	300 0 0	0 15 0	225 0 0	0 9	5 12 6	0 7 2	4 10 0		
Broken pastoral land; fair soil; papa formation; well watered. The timber comprises rata, rimu, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth. Distance from Purangi four miles and three-quarters, and from Inglewood twenty-eight miles by Junction and Matau Roads.												

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Land in the Marlborough 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 fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred; and also that the land 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.

MARLBOROUGH 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.	
Marlborough	Onamalutu	3	XII.	A. R. P. 212 0 0	£ s. d. 0 5 0	£ s. d. 53 0 0	s. d. 0 3	£ s. d. 1 6 6	s. d. 0 2 4	£ s. d. 1 1 2	

Pastoral country; northern portion very broken; about 50 acres birch bush, 30 acres grass, remainder fern and scrub. Twelve miles from Blenheim by road.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land District of Taranaki.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the two-hundred-and-thirty-fifth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, either by general or particular description, and whether the same has been surveyed or not, reserve from sale temporarily, notwithstanding that the same may be then held under pastoral license, any Crown lands which in his opinion are required for any of the purposes in the said section mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the lands in the Land District of Taranaki enumerated in the first column of the Schedule hereto, for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule, and opposite the descriptions of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column.	Record Number
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Purpose for which Land reserved.	
Taranaki ..	Mahoe S.D. ..	57 and 169	I.	A. R. P. 192 0 0	Endowment for primary education	42789
" ..	" ..	63	"	103 0 0	" ..	"
" ..	Pouātu S.D. ..	105	X.	109 0 0	" ..	"
" ..	" ..	54	XIII.	72 0 0	" ..	"
" ..	" ..	35	"	90 3 18	" ..	"
" ..	Omona S.D. ..	{ 1 1	{ XIII. XIV. }	996 0 0	" ..	"
" ..	Opaku S.D. ..	8	I.	4 2 4	Public cemetery	"

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Nelson, Marlborough, Canterbury, Otago, and Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the two-hundred-and-thirty-fifth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, either by general or particular description, and whether the same has been surveyed or not, reserve from sale temporarily, notwithstanding that the same may be then held under pastoral license, any Crown lands which in his opinion are required for any of the purposes in the said section mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the lands in the Land Districts of Auckland, Nelson, Marlborough, Canterbury, Otago, and Southland described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purposes in the said Schedule specified at the end of the description of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, being Section 28 of Block X., Waipoua Survey District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road, 244.5, 97.3, 204.3, 78, 224.4, 148.3, 124.8, 94.5, 80.1, 227, 370.3, and 198 links; towards the south-west by a public road, 88.4, 574.8, 202.1, 386.7, and 224.5 links; and towards the west by a line, 772.1 links. Site for a public cemetery.

NELSON.

All that parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 1 rood 27 perches, more or less, being Section No. 263, Town of Millerton. Bounded towards the north and north-east by the Westport Coal Company's tramway reserve, 487 links and 541 links respectively; towards the south-east by a public road, 23 links; and towards the south-west by Section 142, Millerton, 949 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Nelson. For a public recreation-ground.

MARLBOROUGH.

All that parcel of land in the Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 51 acres, more or less, being Section No. 7, Block VIII., Wakamarina Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Small Grazing-run No. 150, 3507.1 links; towards the east by Section No. 8, 1823.8 links; towards the south by Section No. 18, scenic reserve, 4652.4 links, and towards the west by Section No. 5, 1598.8 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Blenheim. For the preservation of scenery.

CANTERBURY.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing 17 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 3501, Block II., Arowhenua Survey District, Bounded towards the north by Reserve 881; towards the east by the bridge over the Opihi River on the Main Road; and towards the south-west by the River Opihi: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch. For river and bridge protective purposes.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 13 acres 3 roods, more or less, situate in Block VI., Halswell Survey District, being a strip of land 200 links wide extending in a north-westerly direction from the western side of the road forming the eastern boundary of Section 3700 to the eastern side of the road reserved along the Halswell River; the said parcel of land being bounded on the north by Sections 1429, 3695, and 13589, and on the south by Sections 804 and 3700. For the conservation of flax and for forest-plantation purposes.

OTAGO.

All that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 12 acres, more or less, being Section No. 8, Block II., Sutton Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 4 of same block and district, 1256 links; towards the east by a road-line, 1329 links; towards the south by Section 3 of Block I. of same district, 717½ links; and towards the west by said Section No. 4, 1216 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Dunedin. For a public-school site.

All that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre, more or less, being Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, Block LXXIII., Town of Kaitangata. Bounded towards the north by Wyre Street, 200 links; towards the east by sections numbered 5 and 20 of same block, 501 links; towards the south by Market Street, 200 links; and towards the west by Salcombe Street, 501 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Dunedin. For police purposes.

SOUTHLAND.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres and 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 234, Wairio Survey District. Bounded towards the east and north-east, 340 links, 779 links, and 1233 links respectively, by a public road; towards the south-west, 160 links, by Section No. 3 in the said district; and towards the west by Wairio Stream: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill. For a gravel reserve.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notifying Land in Nelson 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 sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price.
<i>Township of Takaka.</i>			
Part 21	X.	A. R. P. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 25 0 0
<i>Waitapu Survey District.</i>			
Part 2 of 113	X.	34 3 7	£2 10s. per acre.
Part 3 of 113	"	35 1 11	£2 10s. per acre.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Extending Time for Shooting Season for Deer, Nelson District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by warrant made under "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, dated the tenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the fifteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred, it is notified that red-deer stags and fallow-deer bucks may be taken or killed within the Nelson District, comprising the Counties of Waimea, Buller, and Collingwood, from the seventeenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred, to the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred, both inclusive: And whereas it is expedient to extend the time during which the said red-deer stags and fallow deer bucks may be taken or killed in the aforesaid district:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, in exercise of the powers vested in me by the said "Animals Protection Act, 1880," do hereby notify that red-deer stags and fallow-deer bucks may be taken or killed in aforesaid Nelson District until the sixteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred, inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Volunteer Regulations amended.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Defence Act, 1886," it is among other things enacted that the Governor may from time to time make, alter, or revoke regulations respecting the enrolment, promotion, discipline, training, exercise, arms, accoutrements, clothing, equipment, conveyance, pay, rations, and lodging of the Forces, or any portion thereof, and respecting the several other matters in the said Act mentioned: And whereas on the twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, certain regulations were made under the said Act, which were published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five: And whereas it is now expedient to cancel subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) of regulation 138A, (2), made on the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and to make other subsections to such regulation in lieu thereof:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the above-recited power and authority, do hereby cancel subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) of Regulation 138A, (2), and in lieu thereof do hereby make the subsections to such regulation as set forth in the Schedule hereto; and I do further declare that such subsections hereby made shall come into force on and from the twenty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred.

SCHEDULE.

- 138A, (2), (a) "General Duties," section I., subsection 1, paragraphs 1-8, "Manual for the Royal Army Medical Corps," 1899.
 (b) "Elementary Anatomy and Physiology," section I., subsection 2, paragraphs 11-32.
 (c) "First Aid to the Wounded," section I., subsections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (except paragraphs 154, 156, 157, 158, 159), 11, 14.
 (d) "Drill and Exercise," section II., subsections 1, 2, 3, paragraph 28.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

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Registrar of Electors, Waipawa Electoral District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ANGUS MACKAY

to be Registrar of Electors, under "The Electoral Act, 1893," for the Electoral District of Waipawa, vice Sergeant J. Siddells. Appointment to date from the 23rd day of March, 1900.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Public Vaccinator, Pahiatua District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK FRANCIS ORMOND BODE, Esq., M.B., Univ. Sydney, to be a Public Vaccinator, under "The Public Health Act, 1875," for the District of Pahiatua.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Ranger under the Animals Protection Acts, East Coast District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

GEORGE FREDERICK POWELL

to be a Ranger, under "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, for the District of East Coast.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Registrars of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspectors, for the districts respectively opposite their names, viz.:-

Name.	District.
JOHN MCKENZIE	Castlepoint.
JOHN WICKSTEAD	Opunake.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be the Deputies of the Registrars of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the districts set respectively opposite their names, viz.:-

Name.	District.
DAVID POLLOCK PORTEOUS	Popotuna.
ALEXANDER MANSON FINLAYSON	Blueskin.
HERBERT CHAPMAN	Waipara.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Clerk of Licensing Committee appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM PATTISON JAMES

to be Clerk of the Licensing Committee for the District of Suburbs of Wellington, *vice* Sergeant A. Cruickshank.

JAMES MCGOWAN.

Clerks of Courts appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable WILLIAM PATRICK PATTON

to be Clerk of the Magistrate's Court at Lower Hutt, from the 14th day of March instant, *vice* Sergeant A. Cruickshank, transferred; and

Constable WILLIAM DAVID LAWRENCE THOMPSON
to be Clerk of the Magistrate's Court at Upper Hutt, from the 12th day of March, *vice* Constable W. P. Patton, transferred.

JAMES MCGOWAN.

Probation Officer appointed.

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Sergeant PAUL SHIRLEY

to be Probation Officer under "The First Offenders' Probation Act, 1886," for the Borough of Greymouth.

JAMES MCGOWAN.

Appointment of Trustee of Auckland Institute and Museum approved.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 16th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve, in pursuance of section 4 of "The Auckland Museum Endowment Act, 1882," of the appointment by the Council of the Auckland Institute and Museum of

JOHN HENRY UPTON

as a Trustee in the place of Stephenson Percy Smith, resigned, to act in conjunction with Messrs. Edmond A. Mackechnie and Thomas Peacock, previously approved.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Appointing a Trustee for Land vested in the Charleston Hospital.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of section 30 of "The Special Powers and Contracts Act, 1885," has been pleased to appoint

JOHN GEORGE HARTILL,

of Charleston, blacksmith, in the place of James Parsons, resigned, as a Trustee of Section No. 28, Square 137, Totara District, and Section 37, Block IV., Buller District (Waitakere), Nelson Land District, to hold the said land, in conjunction with Bernard Shepherd and Nicholas Weir, in trust for the benefit of the Charleston Hospital, subject as in the said Act mentioned.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 26th March, 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 WILLIAM DAVID LAWRENCE THOMPSON	The North Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.
	R. J. SEDDON, Minister of Labour.

Member of New Plymouth Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 26th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance of the provisions of section 40 of "The Harbours Act, 1878," and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, appointed

JOE WARD

to be a member of the New Plymouth Harbour Board, in the place of James Bellringer, resigned.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Volunteer Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 21st March, 1900.

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

Southland Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

William Thomas Hazlett to be Lieutenant.

No. 3 Company, Waikato Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

William Thomas Wallace to be Lieutenant.

Ponsonby Naval Artillery Volunteers.

George Warren Patterson to be Lieutenant-commanding.

N Battery, Artillery Volunteers.

Daniel William Mahar to be Lieutenant.

No. 1 Company, Victoria Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Louis Philip Skinner to be Captain.

Richard James Derron to be Lieutenant.

Blenheim Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Edward Charles Wooldridge Powell to be Captain. Commission to date from the 7th June, 1899.

Kaipoi Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Ernest Edward Pappill to be Captain.
John George Elliott Winsloe to be Lieutenant.

Waimate Rifle Volunteers.

Charles Jacob Jackson to be Lieutenant.

Kelburne Rifle Volunteers.

Harry Phelps Tuckey to be Lieutenant.

Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.

John Tild Swindley to be Lieutenant.

Civil Service Rifle Volunteers (Wellington).

Lieutenant John Matthew King to be Captain.

Linwood Rifle Volunteers.

Charles George Gerald Foster to be Lieutenant.

Ashburton Guards Volunteers.

Frederick George Tucker to be Lieutenant.

Unless otherwise stated, the commissions of all the above officers are to date from the 13th December, 1899.

R. J. SEDDON.

Services of Volunteer Corps accepted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 21st March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept, under clause 39, (1), of "The Defence Act, 1886," the services of the under-mentioned Volunteer corps:—

Wairarapa Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

With headquarters at Papawai. Acceptance to date from the 19th day of August, 1899.

East Coast Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

With headquarters at Gisborne. Acceptance to date from the 6th day of February, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 21st March, 1900.

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

New Zealand Volunteer Medical Staff.

Surgeon-Captain William Edward Stevens (attached to the North Otago Mounted Rifle Volunteers). Date of resignation, 27th February, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON.

Permanent Militia Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1900.

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

New Zealand Permanent Militia.

Major John Coleman. Date of resignation, 31st January, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 21st March, 1900.

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

Christchurch City Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Andrew Fairbairn. Date of resignation, 7th February, 1900.

R. J. SEDDON.

Volunteer Officer transferred.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 21st March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the transfer of

Surgeon-Captain FRANCIS WALLACE MACKENZIE

from the 1st Battalion, Wellington Rifle Volunteers, to the Wellington Volunteer Bearer Corps, with effect from the 6th November, 1899.

R. J. SEDDON.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by

WILLIAM BENJAMIN WALTERS, Esq.;

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

JAMES MCGOWAN.

Special Order made by the Arai Road Board, County of Cook.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

A SPECIAL ORDER made by the Arai Road Board on Saturday, 9th December, 1899, and confirmed on the 6th January, 1900.

RESOLVED, That a special rate of 1½d. in the pound be made on the rateable value of the property within a special district hereinafter defined, for the purpose of providing interest upon a loan of £1,200, raised under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," for the construction of the Tokonui Road. The rate to be an annual-recurring rate, and due and payable on the 1st day of February in each year for twenty-six years.

It is further resolved to pledge as security for the payment of the interest on this loan the Land Fund accruing due in respect of the lands within the special district, such Land Fund to be used in reduction of the rate upon the lands that contribute the Land Fund.

Schedule.—Special District.

Section 1, Block XV., Patutahi Survey District; Section 2, Block II., Nuhaka North Survey District; Section 2, Block III., Nuhaka North Survey District; Section 2, Block XIV., Patutahi Survey District; Section 1, Block II., Nuhaka North Survey District; Section 3, Block II., Nuhaka North Survey District; Section 1, Block III., Nuhaka North Survey District; Section 3, Block III., Nuhaka North Survey District; Section 4, Block II., Nuhaka North Survey District; Tarewauru Block, about 1,000 acres—Tarewauru B1, B2, No. 2, part No. 1, part A1, part A2, part A2c, Maraetaha 2a, 2c, No. 2; Tiraotane Block—Part No. 2, No. 3a, 3b, No. 4, 1a, 1 of 3a, No. 1b; Rangainui—Subdivisions 1 of A, 1 of 2; Rangai-o-hine-hau Block No. 3a, 4a, 4b, 1a, No. 2, No. 3, 1b, Subdivision 1 of 2; a portion of

the Puninga Block, bounded by a right line from the N.W. corner of the Okahu Block, through Trig. 78, to the southern boundary of Maraetaha No. 2.

HERBERT BEAUFAY,
Clerk, Arai Road Board.

I certify that the foregoing special order was made by the Arai Road Board in accordance with law. I certify that all the provisions of "The Road Board Act, 1882," and the Local Bodies' Loans Act have been complied with.

H. BEAUFAY.

Special Order made by the Manchester Road Board, County of Oroua.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

MANCHESTER ROAD BOARD.—SPECIAL ORDER.

THAT, in order to provide the interest on a loan of £9,382, to be applied in the construction of the several works set forth in the Schedule hereunder written, to be borrowed under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1899," the Manchester Road Board doth hereby make and levy a special rate of ¾d. in the pound upon the whole of the rateable property within the Manchester Road District; such rate to be an annual-recurring rate, payable by half-yearly instalments for a period of forty-one years, in accordance with subsection (3) of section 2 of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1899."

Schedule.

Purpose for which Loan was obtained.	Amount of Loan.
Feilding-Halcombe Road: Trimming and metalling 84 chains	323
Kakariki-Sandon Road: Trimming and metalling 160 chains	240
Knorpp's Street continuation: Trimming and metalling 40 chains	85
Kimber Street continuation: Forming and metalling 20 chains	57
Stewart Street continuation: Forming and metalling 18 chains	47
Sorensen's Road: Forming and metalling	50
Cheltenham Cross-road: Forming and metalling (boundary road), half share	292
Mackay's Line: Bridging Makino Creek	250
Spur Road: Bridging Makino and metalling 67 chains	384
Reid's Line: Completing road from Makino Road to Kimbolton Road (half share)	379
Makino Road: Trimming, formation, and widening, metalling 700 chains	1,050
Kimbolton Road: Widening, formation, and metalling, 400 chains	800
Reid's Line, east of Oroua River: Forming and metalling 70 chains	210
Taonui Road: Repairing bridge damaged by flood	250
Valley Road: Repairing bridge damaged by flood	280
Valley Road diversion: Purchasing land, and forming and metalling, £800—less Pohangina County Council's contribution, £150	650
Penelope Road: Trimming and metalling 75 chains, and forming 30 chains	200
Greenhow's Road: Forming and metalling 110 chains, £330; fencing, transfers, &c., £120	450
Grove Road: From Stoney Creek to Heneghan's Road, 120 chains, 12 ft. wide, metal 9 ft., grade 1 in 8, £600—less Manawatu Road Board's share, £300	300
Wharite Road: 230 chains, forming and metalling (minus 10 chains at each end of the bridge)	1,490
Watershed Road: Trimming and metalling 400 chains	1,000
Whitley's Road: Widening and metalling 15 chains	45
Railway-line Road: Forming, from Wilson's gate to Swainson's Road	200
Rangitawa Road: Regrading Constitutional and Cornfoot's Hills	150
Taonui Road: Regrading Ashworth's and Colyton Hills	200
Total amount of loan	£9,382

I hereby certify that the above special order has been made and confirmed in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

CHAS. BRAY,
Clerk, Manchester Road Board.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Waitotara County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1900.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

WAITOTARA COUNTY COUNCIL.—RESULT OF POLL.

RESULT of the poll taken on Tuesday, 20th March, 1900, throughout the Waitotara County, on the proposal to raise a loan of £1,000 for protective works to the Riverbank Road at Aramoho, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886":—

Total number of votes given in favour of the proposal, 71; against the proposal, nil: majority in favour of the proposal, 71.

A majority of the votes recorded having been given in favour of the proposal, I therefore declare the proposal to raise a loan of £1,000 for protective works to the River-bank Road at Aramoho carried.

WILLIAM RITCHIE,
Chairman, Waitotara County Council.

21st March, 1900.

Acquirement of Land on the Caroline, Pelew (Palao), and Marian Islands prohibited.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1900.

AT the request of the Imperial German Consular Officer in Wellington, it is hereby notified for general information that a Proclamation has been issued by the Chancellor of the German Empire prohibiting the acquirement of land on the Caroline, Pelew (Palao), and Marian Islands from the Natives, and revoking any regulations to the contrary.

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

Notice of Intention to take Land in Blocks IX. and X., Omapere Survey District, for Road Purposes.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is proposed, under the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1894," to execute a certain public work, to wit, the construction of a road in Omapere Survey District, and for the purposes of such public work the lands described in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken; and notice is further given that the plan of the said road and of the lands so required to be taken is deposited in the Post-office at Okaihau, and is there open for inspection. And notice is hereby given that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of the said lands shall, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such lands, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Minister for Public Works, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of Lands taken.	Being Portion of Sections	Block.	Survey District.	Parish of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.						
0 2 13	3	IX.	Omapere	..	S.G. 35559	Red.
0 2 0	4	"	"	..	"	"
3 0 16	5	"	"	..	"	"
1 0 11.5	9	X.	"	Okaihau	"	"
3 0 3	10	"	"	"	"	"
2 0 0	10A	"	"	"	"	"
3 0 6	11	IX., X.	"	"	"	"
3 1 5	60	IX.	"	"	"	"
5 1 11.8	61	"	"	"	"	"

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

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand nine hundred.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice to Mariners No. 16 of 1900.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 20th March, 1900.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

SPECIAL SIGNALS AT LLOYD'S SIGNAL-STATIONS.

THE following sigs. have been adopted for all Lloyd's sig-stations, and are substituted for any prev. used for the same purpose: (a.) Two balls, hor., indic. that the station is temp. closed, and that no communication can be held. This sig. will be kept up until the sig-station is again in working-order. (b.) Three balls, in the form of a triangle, indic. that communication is interrupted, and that messages cannot be forwarded by tel., but will be forwarded by other means as soon as possible. This sig. will be kept up until tel. communication is again restored.

Answering Night Signals.

The following sigs. are adopted at Lloyd's sig-stations in the United Kingdom, where a night watch is kept, as general answering night sigs., and are substituted for any prev. used for the same purpose. The apparatus used for the sigs. is a fl. lamp. (a.) A series of continuous short fls.—To call the attention of a passing vessel. (b.) A series of long-short fls., repeated as often as may be necessary.—To intimate that a vessel's sigs. have been seen and recognised. (c.) If the sig. shown by a vessel has not been understood, the lamp will be kept dark until the vessel repeats the sig. A red flare, of 30 secs. dura., is exh. immediately after the sigs. The following are the stations where these sigs. are used: Dover, Prawle Pt., Lizard, Old Head of Kinsale, Brow Head, and Tory Isl. for steamers for which a special night watch is kept. March.*

To denote tel. interruption at night-time, the sig-stations at Old Head of Kinsale and Brow Head will exh. 3 green lts. in the form of a triangle, apex up; and to call attention to this sig. a Roman candle will be burnt, if the vessel can be recognised.

AFRICA.

MOZAMBIQUE HARB.—The red buoy marking Sebastian Spit in approx. 15° 1' S., 40° 45' E., is the only one now maintained at the harb., the remaining buoys, marking Leven Bank, Harp Shell Spit, and the shoals extending from St. George's and St. Iago Isls., having been withdrawn. Cabeceira Grande House, in line with the Harp Shell Spit beacon (N. by W.), leads within 100 yds. of St. Sebastian Spit buoy. Jan.

On the 18th Dec., 1899, the lts. in the harb. (15° 1' S., 40° 45' E.) had been destroyed by a cyclone. A note to this effect has been placed on the charts. Feb.*

INDIAN OCEAN.

Ceylon.

COLOMBO HARB.—Pilot Sigs.—The following sigs. are made from the Pilot Station tower (6° 56' N., 79° 50' E.) in answer to vessels' sigs. for a pilot at night-time, in place of the prev. sigs.: (a.) An elec. lt., showing red and white fls. alt. in quick succ. for a period of one min., indic.—Pilot will proceed to vessel making sig. immediately. (b.) A F. red lt. for the same period indic.—Pilot engaged; will proceed to vessel making sig. when disengaged. (c.) A fl. white lt. for a period of about 2 mins. indic.—Bad weather prevents pilot from coming out. Feb.

The srn. end of the N.W. breakwater, in course of constr., now extends about 400 yds. S.W. of the green lt. on its N.E. head. On the 15th July, 1899, a boat exh. a F. red lt. was to be moored in approx. 6° 57½' N., 79° 51' E. off this submerged end to mark it. Vessels must pass between the above lt.-boat and the F. red lt. on the N. end of the S.W. breakwater. Aug.

On the 1st Jan., 1900, the lt. carried by the boat marking the submerged end of the srn. end of the N.W. breakwater, in course of constr., is to be altered from F. red to occ. red every 15 secs.: lt., 10 secs.; ecl., 5 secs. Dec.

PT. DE GALLE HARB.—The cocoa-nut tree on Pigeon Isl. (6° 1¼' N., 80° 12½' E.) has disappeared, it having been blown down some years ago, and has been erased from the charts. June.

PACIFIC OCEAN.

Mariana Islands.

GUAM ISL.—PORT SAN LUIS D'AFRA.—A shoal with a depth of 4 fms. lies in approx. 13° 26' N., 144° 37¼' E., in the srn. part of the approach to the anchorage in the port, with Santa Cruz Fort S. 79° E., 15½ cables, and W. extr. of Cabras Isl. N. 51° E. Also, a black can buoy is moored in 18 fms. wrd. of Calalan Bank, with Spanish Rk. N. 68° E., 1½ cables, and Santiago Fort S. 34° E. Vessels should pass close to the srn. of this buoy. Feb.

Ice.

On the 9th Nov., 1899, the "Torridon" is reported to have seen several large bergs in 54° 30' S., 81° W. Feb.

Permissive License to occupy Artificial Oyster-bed in Arrow-smith Bay, Tory Channel, cancelled.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 26th March, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the permissive license to occupy part of Arrow-smith Bay, Tory Channel, and to form and plant any artificial oyster-bed therein, granted to William Davenport, of Tory Channel, settler, on the 12th March, 1895, is hereby cancelled, on account of a breach of the covenants and conditions contained in such license.
WM. HALL-JONES.

Easter Holidays.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

IT is hereby notified for general information that Friday, the 13th, Saturday, the 14th, and Monday, the 16th April next, will be observed as holidays in the public offices of the Government of New Zealand.

By order.

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 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.

Bernard Langer, late of View Hill, Oxford, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on the 22nd day of March, 1900.

Thomas Johns, late of Stratford, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, labourer. Filed on the 22nd day of March, 1900.

Elizabeth Byrne, late of Lawrence, in the Provincial District of Otago, housekeeper. Filed on the 22nd day of March, 1900.

Jane McLaren, late of Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, housekeeper. Filed on the 22nd day of March, 1900.

Patrick Murphy, late of Oroua Downs, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 26th day of March, 1900.

Richard Webster Littlewood, late of Wanganui, in the Provincial District of Wellington, settler. Filed on the 26th day of March, 1900.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Officiating Ministers for 1900.—Notice No. 11.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 23rd March, 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 name of an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is published for general information:—

Auckland Central Mission (Unsectarian).

The Reverend H. J. Walker.

GEO. DRURY,
Deputy Registrar-General.

Officiating Ministers for 1900.—Notice No. 12.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1900.

IN accordance with request from the ecclesiastical head of the Primitive Methodist Connexion, the under-mentioned name has been withdrawn from the List of Officiating Ministers in connection with that religious body, under "The Marriage Act, 1880," for the year 1900:—

The Reverend JOHN OLFHERT.

GEO. DRURY,
Deputy Registrar-General.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 22nd March, 1900.

THE Lily of the Valley Lodge, situated at North Dunedin, is registered as a branch of the District Grand Lodge of Otago and Southland United Ancient Order of Druids Friendly Society, under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," this 19th day of March, 1900.

EDMUND MASON,
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

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 (tricalcio 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.

Civil Service Senior Examination.

Education Department,
Wellington, 20th July, 1899.

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

W. C. WALKER,
Minister of Education.

Crown Lands Notices.

Lands forfeited, Southland Land District.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1900.

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

Lessee.	Tenure.	Lease No.	Section.	Block.	District.
Henry Patterson	L.I.P. ..	40	64	..	Waiau.
Alexander Stott	L.I.P. lands for settlement	551	4	..	Waiau-Otahu Estate.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Village-homestead Land, Ngamatea Village, Wellington, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 28th March, 1900.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on and after Tuesday, 29th May, 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, Wellington. If the section be not applied for on the 29th May, 1900, it will be open thereafter for application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—NGAMATEA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.			
		Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
72	A. R. P. 100 0 0	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
		0	1 4·8	3	10 0

Weighted with £226 2s. 6d. for improvements.

This section is situated in the Maungakaretu District, on the western slopes of the watershed between Whangaehu River and Mangamahu Stream. The access is from Mangaweka, which is about seventeen miles distant, *via* the Whangaehu Valley Road, which is formed for dray traffic for about ten miles, and a bridle-track to within about a mile from the section, the rest is not formed. The section comprises hilly and undulating land with occasional small flats. Nearly the whole area has been laid down in good grass; only a few clumps of shelter-bush are left. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The section is well watered by small streams. The elevation ranges from about 1,300 ft. above sea-level. The general quality of the section is good. The improvements comprise—Felling and grassing, 97 acres at £1 12s. 6d. per acre, £157 12s. 6d.; stumping, &c., £7; fencing, £45; buildings (slab whare and outbuildings), £16 10s.: total, £226 2s. 6d.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The land enumerated herein is first-class land, and is a village-homestead allotment, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").
2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Tuesday, the 29th May, 1900.
3. The rental stated herein shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.
4. Applications for leases shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act; and all such applications shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington; and a lease will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.
5. Each applicant shall state his or her residence, occupation, and condition in life (namely, whether married or single), and will be required to make the declaration prescribed in Schedule C of the said Act.
6. The successful applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent, together with the lease- and registration-fee, and the valuation for improvements, immediately the application has been approved or declared successful at the ballot.
7. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is payable as before provided.
8. No lessee shall hold more than one allotment, and such allotment shall be held for his or her sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.
9. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in the lease shall be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to a lessee under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall apply accordingly to a lessee under these regulations.

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

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

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

Reserves in Canterbury for Lease by Written Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 26th March, 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, 16th May, 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 as stated herein.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Reserve.	Survey District.	Block.	Area.	Minimum Annual Rental.			Term.
				£	s. d.		
77	Akaroa..	IV.	A. R. P. 35 3 11	21	9	10	7 yrs. from 1/10/1900.
77A	Akaroa..	IV.	60 0 0	36	0	0	7 yrs. from 1/10/1900.
Part 2166	{ Akaroa { Gough's	{ XII. { VI. }	136 1 0	23	16	10	{ 7 yrs. from { 1/4/1900.
Lot 4, Block I., Res. 959	Halswell	X.	60 0 0	9	0	0	7 yrs. from 1/7/1900.
Part 1650	Rangitata	VIII.	147 0 0	7	7	0	3 yrs. from 1/7/1900.
Part 1237	Rangitata	I.	335 0 0	25	2	6	5 yrs. from 1/7/1900.

Reserves Nos. 77 and 77A are situated on the slopes of German Bay Hill, about a mile and a half north-westerly from the Town of Akaroa, and comprise good hilly grazing-land.

Reserve No. 2166, situated at the entrance of Akaroa Harbour, is known as the Akaroa Lighthouse Reserve, and comprises steep hilly land of good pastoral quality. The lessee of this reserve will be required to maintain the lighthouse-paddock fence, and to preserve from destruction the native bush on the reserve, and will be allowed to plough and lay down in grass an area of 30 acres on the reserve. A right of road from the lighthouse to the roads leading to Akaroa is reserved across the land leased.

Lot 4, Block I., Reserve No. 959, is situated on the south side of the Halswell River, at the upper end of the Ahuriri Lagoon, about two miles and a half south-easterly from Greenpark Railway-station, and comprises low-lying land, partly liable to flood, but good for summer grazing.

Part of Reserve No. 1650 comprises the northern portion of the North Rangitata Township Reserve, lying on both sides of the main south railway-line, adjacent to the Ealing Railway-station, and consists of open level land of fair pastoral quality.

Part of Reserve No. 1237 is situated on the north-east side of the Rangitata River, adjacent to the Arundel Traffic-bridge, and comprises the upper terrace-lands and river-flats, consisting of stony well-grassed land of fair quality. Permission will be granted to the lessee of this reserve, if so desired, to plough up an area not exceeding 100 acres above the terrace, at the northern end of the reserve, and crop the same with root-crops, or to lay down an area not exceeding 20 acres in any one year with crop of oats sown with grass- and clover-seeds of good quality and quantity: the whole of the area so cultivated must be laid down and left in good pasture to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands upon the expiration of the lease.

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 of part 2166 will be given on the day of acceptance of tender, and of others on the day of commencement of lease.
3. The leases will be for the terms stated in the Schedule.
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.

Township and Rural Lands, Nelson Land District, for Sale by Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 26th March, 1900.

THE under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash, at the Courthouse, Takaka, on Wednesday, the 16th May, 1900, at noon.

SCHEDULE.

Lot 1.—Part Section 21, Block X., Township of Takaka, 1 rood; fronting the main Takaka Valley Road, about two miles and a half from the Port of Waitapu; upset price, £25.

Lot 2.—Part 2 of Section 113, Block X., Waitapu Survey District, 34 acres 3 roods 7 perches; upset price, £2 10s. per acre.

Lot 3.—Part 3 of Section 113, Block X., Waitapu Survey District, 35 acres 1 rood 11 perches; upset price, £2 10s. per acre.

The above sections are situated near the Village of Takaka, distant about four miles from the Port of Waitapu, Golden Bay.

Part 2 of Section 113 is about one-half terrace land, medium soil for grass; timber, birch and rimu, and scrub in gullies. Remaining half nearly flat, fair soil; timber, rimu, birch, with a little rata and pukatea.

Part 3 of Section 113, two-thirds high terrace land, medium soil for grass on slopes and in gullies; timber, chiefly birch with some rimu. Remaining one-third nearly flat, rather wet, medium soil for grass; timber, chiefly brown-birch with some rimu.

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.

Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in the Aorangi Settlement, Wellington Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 27th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands in the Aorangi Settlement will be open for selection upon lease in perpetuity on Thursday, the 5th April, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—AORANGI SETTLEMENT.
First-class Agricultural Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity; Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
OROUA SURVEY DISTRICT.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
1	XIV.	105 1 0	12 3	32 4 8
2	"	177 3 0	12 7½	56 2 1
3	"	66 3 0	15 6	25 17 4
4	"	67 0 20	15 0	25 3 5
5	"	75 3 0	13 6	25 11 4
6	"	50 0 4	16 3	20 6 5
7	"	101 1 0	15 4·8	38 19 8
8	"	50 1 27	16 3	20 9 8
9	"	105 1 0	17 0	44 14 8
10	"	49 3 6	16 3	20 4 6
11	"	47 3 30	16 3	19 9 6
12	"	68 1 4	15 6	26 9 1
13	"	50 2 16	15 9	19 18 6
15	"	24 1 0	16 3	10 2 10*
16	"	24 3 0	16 3	9 17 0
17	"	24 3 10	16 3	10 1 1
18	"	25 1 20	16 3	10 1 7
19	"	32 2 0	16 3	10 6 2
20	"	5 0 0	20 0	13 4 1
21	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
22	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
23	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
24	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
28A	"	87 2 0	15 0	2 10 0
29A	"	88 0 0	15 0	32 16 3
				33 0 0

KAIRANGA SURVEY DISTRICT.

11	II.	90 2 0	15 9	35 12 8
12	"	6 0 0	20 0	12 17 5†
13	"	5 0 0	20 0	3 0 0
14	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
15	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
16	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
17	"	30 0 0	16 3	2 10 0
18	"	24 1 2	18 6	12 3 9
19	"	90 2 0	16 6	11 4 5
20	III.	50 0 5	15 3	37 6 8
21	"	46 2 30	15 3	19 1 6
22	"	46 2 37	15 3	17 16 0

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £360, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £10 2s. 10d.; total half-yearly, £30 1s. 4d.

† Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £330, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £12 17s. 5d.; total half-yearly, £48 10s. 1d.

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

Pastoral Run, Marlborough, for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 21st February, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned run will be open for application for lease at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Wednesday, the 4th April, 1900. If not selected on the 4th April it will remain open thereafter at the same rental.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—ONAMALUTU SURVEY DISTRICT.

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

RUN No. 140: Area, 1,860 acres; upset annual rental, £12. Term of lease, twenty-one years.

Broken pastoral country, well watered, poor soil, covered with fern and scrub, accessible by road; twenty-three miles from Blenheim.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 27th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection upon lease in perpetuity on Thursday, the 19th April, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—TENGAWAI SURVEY DISTRICT.—
MACKENZIE COUNTY.—PUNAROA SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
<i>First-class Agricultural Land.</i>				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
3	I.	322 0 0	5 3	42 5 3
5	"	277 1 0	5 0	34 13 2
6	"	87 1 0	7 0	15 5 5
1	II.	594 0 0	7 6	111 7 6
2	"	68 3 22	9 0	15 10 0
3	"	496 0 0	7 3	89 18 0
4	"	66 1 15	9 0	14 18 7
5	"	66 3 33	9 0	15 1 4
6	"	68 1 16	9 0	15 7 7
7	"	69 1 21	9 0	15 12 3
1	VI.	448 0 0	6 0	67 4 0
<i>Second-class Agricultural Land.</i>				
1	I.	259 0 0	3 6	22 13 3
2	"	366 0 0	3 6	32 0 6
4	"	335 3 0	4 9	2 18 6†
7	"	558 0 0	5 6	39 17 5
2	V.	795 0 0	4 0	79 10 0

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £300, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £11 14s.: total half-yearly, £123 1s. 6d.

† Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £75, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £2 18s. 6d.: total half-yearly, £34 19s.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Whitehall Estate, Auckland, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 27th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 9th April, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—CAMBRIDGE SURVEY DISTRICT.—
WHITEHALL SETTLEMENT.

First-class Agricultural Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
2	VI.	1,011 0 0	1 0	25 5 6
1	VII.	1,262 0 0	1 7½	51 5 5
2	VII.	1,005 0 0	0 7½	{ 15 14 1
1	XI.			{ 1 12 4*
12	X.	1,285 2 0	0 4½	11 7 8
13	"	1,339 1 0	0 6	16 14 9
14	"	600 0 0	2 6	{ 37 10 0
				{ 5 3 7†
2	XI.	1,446 2 0	0 3	9 0 9
				{ 15 14 0
3	"	1,004 3 0	0 7½	{ 2 11 10‡

* Interest and sinking fund on house valued at £25, repayable in ten years in half-yearly instalments of £1 12s. 4d.: total half-yearly rent, £17 6s. 5d.

† Interest and sinking fund on stockyard valued at £80, repayable in ten years in half-yearly instalments of £5 3s. 7d.: total half-yearly, £42 13s. 7d.

‡ Interest and sinking fund on shed and house valued at £40, repayable in ten years in half-yearly instalments of £2 11s. 10d.: total half-yearly, £18 5s. 10d.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 27th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on Thursday, the 19th April, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—GERALDINE SURVEY DISTRICT.—
GERALDINE COUNTY.—RAUTAWIRI SETTLEMENT.

First-class Agricultural Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	XIV.	18 1 12	1 6 0	11 18 3
1A	"	2 2 0	0 5 0	0 6 3
2	"	18 3 14	1 5 6	12 0 2
3	"	20 3 15	1 2 9	11 17 1
3A	"	2 3 0	0 5 0	0 6 10
4	"	17 3 19	1 0 0	8 18 8
5	"	19 3 34	1 2 0	10 19 7
5A	"	4 2 0	0 5 0	0 11 3
6	"	17 0 33	1 5 0	10 15 1

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 27th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on Thursday, the 19th April, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—PAREORA SURVEY DISTRICT.—
LEVELS COUNTY.—PAPAKA SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
1	VIII.	223 1 10	13 0	72 11 6
2	"	302 3 3	9 6	{ 71 18 4
3	"	129 0 19	11 6	{ 23 8 0*
4	"	219 2 3	12 6	37 2 5
5	"	127 0 23	12 6	68 12 0
6	"	97 3 33	11 6	39 14 8
7	"	90 2 39	11 6	28 3 3
1	XII.	173 0 3	10 9	26 1 9
2	"	190 2 12	12 6	46 10 0
				59 11 1

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £600, repayable in twenty-one years in half-yearly instalments of £23 8s.: total half-yearly, £95 6s. 4d.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Punaroa Settlement, Canterbury, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 27th February, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for selection on Thursday, the 19th April, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SMALL GRAZING-RUN No. 86.—
TENGAWAI SURVEY DISTRICT.

Pastoral Land, Punaroa Settlement.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease for Twenty-one Years.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
1	V.	2,143 0 0	2 0	{ 107 3 0
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* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £800, repayable in half-yearly instalments of £31 4s.: total half-yearly, £138 7s.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Land in the Wellington Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral land will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Wednesday, the 25th April, 1900, at 11 am.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HUTT AND WAIRARAPA SOUTH COUNTIES.

Pastoral Lease (under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892").
Pastoral Run.

Survey District.	Run.	Block.	Area.			Upset Annual Rental.	
			A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.
Akatarawa ..	32	XII. XVI. VII. II.	3,000	0	0	2	0 0
Waiohine ..							
Wairarapa ..							
Wairarapa ..							

Term: Twenty-one years.

This land is situated on the Rimutaka Range to the north of Rimutaka Road, between the Featherston and Rimutaka Districts. A portion of the area is more or less cleared through bush-fires. Special attention is directed to a condition of license which provides that all rabbits on the land shall be destroyed and their increase prevented to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or of the Inspector of Stock.

TERMS OF SALE.

1. Possession of the run will be given to the purchaser of the license on the day of sale.

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, 1901, and shall include in addition the whole period between the date of possession and the said 1st March, 1901. The Crown or its assigns, or the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Wellington Land District for the time being, may at any time determine the license by giving to the licensee, or sending to him through the ordinary course of post, or leaving on the run, one year's previous notice in writing of their intention so to do; the last payment of rent in such case to be a proportionate part of the said annual rent from the last day for payment of rent up to the date of such determination. No compensation whatever shall be payable to the licensee on account of such determination.

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, or of the Inspector of Stock.

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 and a license-fee of £1 1s. 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 intitled "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.

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

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Application under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 23rd March, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to a Commissioner of the Court for a certificate under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienation hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificate must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, Sec. 55, 1900-4.]

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
5	Transfer (C.A. 1900-42) ..	15th February, 1900..	Lot 98 of Section 1, Town of Opotiki	Louisa Theresa Kelly (wife of Edward Kelly), of Opotiki, to Donald McDonald.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 15th March, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Dargaville, Kaipara, on the 27th day of March, 1900, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Auckland, 1900-11.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (C.A. 99-115) ..	14th July, 1899 ..	Pukepukerau ..	Richard Cossill and Sally Cossill (his wife), both of Tangihua, to Francis Theodore Child, also of Tangihua.
2	Transfer (C.A. 1900-10) ..	20th October, 1899 ..	Portion of Kaihu No. 2B	Pouaka te Awha and Pouritanga te Awha, both of Dargaville, to Jane Harris (wife of George Harris), also of Dargaville.
3	Dedication of a road (C.A. 1900-11)	20th October, 1899 ..	Portion of Kaihu No. 2B	Pouaka te Awha and Pouritanga te Awha, both of Dargaville, to Her Majesty the Queen.
4	Dedication of a road (C.A. 1900-12)	20th October, 1899 ..	Portion of Kaihu No. 2B	Pouaka te Awha and Pouritanga te Awha, both of Dargaville, to Her Majesty the Queen.
5	Lease (C.A. 1900-27) ..	24th October, 1899 ..	Part of Kaihu No. 2B	Pouaka te Awha and Pouritanga te Awha, both of Dargaville, to Richard Mitchelson and John Mitchelson, both of Dargaville, and John Dennin, of Kohekohe, Dargaville.
6	Lease (C.A. 1900-36) ..	25th January, 1900 ..	Oturei	Riwhi Taramoeroa, Watikena Taonui, Hone Taonui, and Kere Taonui, all of Aratapu, to Leslie Buller Marriner, of Mount Wesley, Mangawhare.
7	Conveyance (C.A. 1900-41)	14th February, 1900 ..	Part of Lot 18, Parish of Tatarariki	William Waters, of Oturei, Aratapu, to Joseph Seymour, of Te Kopuru.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 24th March, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Kawakawa, Bay of Islands, on the 14th day of April, 1900, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 1900-13.]

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Conveyance (C.A. 99-138)	4th October, 1899 ..	Mahinepua ..	Wiremu Ihaia, of Whangaroa, to Henry George Shepherd, also of Whangaroa.
2	Transfer (C.A. 99-150) ..	14th November, 1899	Mangaiti No. 3c ..	Hone Tiaki, of Kaeo, to Mary Jane Herbert (wife of Thomas Herbert), also of Kaeo.
3	Transfer (C.A. 99-151) ..	17th November, 1899	Orauruwharo ..	Pene Tau, Te Hape te Haara, Rui Kaawhe te Haara, Penetana Kohumaru, all of Kaikohe, to Louisa Mitai, Louisa Minewhare Mitai, Pene Tau Mitai, Te Tuuhanga Mitai, Kirimangu Mitai, Tuwhai Mitai, and Ihimaira Mitai, all of Kaikohe.
4	Conveyance (C.A. 99-153)	14th November, 1899	Paihia	Wiremu Ihaia to Elizabeth Anne Hayes.
5	Transfer (C.A. 1900-34) ..	30th December, 1899	Part of Waihapa No. 3A	Rameka te Tirarau, of Waihapa, Whangaroa, to Alfred Lighthouse, also of Whangaroa.
6	Conveyance (C.A. 1900-35)	30th November, 1899	Tipatipa	Hepi Titaha, Te Rarua, Rahera te Kero, Moreho Toenga (by her trustee, Tiripua Toenga), Meri Topi Erana Rewa, Hoonetana te Kero, Whetoi Titaha, Te Rununga, Mereana Peia (as trustee for Whakama Ngahoari and Toenga Hoari, otherwise Toi Ngahoari Pumuka), and Rini te Mauunga (as trustee for Toenga Pene), to John Buchanan, of Auckland.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 27th March, 1900.

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

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

[Sec. 55, 1900-10.]*

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Mortgage (1900-62) ..	22nd March, 1900 ..	Maungakaretu 4B No. 4	Ngawai Tutawhiro Wright to the Superintendent, Government Advances to Settlers Office.
2	Transfer (1900-63) ..	23rd March, 1900 ..	Waipu 1D and 3B ..	Ruruhira Ngakuira to Gifford Marshall.
3	Transfer (1900-64) ..	24th March, 1900 ..	Waipu 1D and 2A ..	Ngapera Maioro to Gifford Marshall.

Vital Statistics.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the month of February, 1900:—

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the under-mentioned Boroughs, during the Month of February, 1900.

BOROUGH.	Population of Principal Boroughs, with all their Suburbs, Census, April, 1896.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANU-ARY, 1900.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHs REGISTERED IN FEBRUARY, 1900.							Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, February, 1900.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1899.
				Males.			Females.						
				Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.				
Auckland	57,616	38,400	76	6	..	10	9	1	12	38	0.99	13.05	
Birkenhead		780	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18.32
Devonport		3,430	4	2	..	1	..	..	..	3	0.87	7.41
Newmarket		2,170	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7.48
Grey Lynn		3,331	11	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.80	7.21
Parnell		4,402	6	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	0.45	11.00
Other suburbs*
Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	52,513	102	8	1	12	9	1	13	44	0.84	12.00	
Wellington	41,758	42,966	91	7	..	13	2	..	5	27	0.63	11.16	
Karori		1,096	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2.80
Melrose		2,400	5	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.83	8.94
Onslow		1,400	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10.91
Totals Wellington and suburbs	..	47,862	98	7	..	14	2	..	6	29	0.61	10.86	
Christchurch	51,330	18,500	27	3	1	3	2	1	5	15	0.81	12.57	
Linwood		6,707	14	..	..	3	1	1	7	12	1.79	11.16
St. Albans		6,440	12	..	..	1	2	..	1	4	0.62	12.21
Sydenham		11,388	23	2	..	..	1	2	4	9	0.79	10.64
Woolston		2,305	5	..	..	3	1	..	1	5	2.17	6.99
Other suburbs*
Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs	..	45,340	81	5	1	10	7	4	18	45	0.99	11.54	
Dunedin	47,280	23,560	38	3	..	8	2	1	6	20	0.85	13.47	
Caversham		4,838	7	..	1	3	..	..	1	5	1.03	20.06
Maori Hill		1,603	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.85
Mornington		3,854	9	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.26	8.60
North-east Valley ..		3,540	5	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.57	6.75
Roslyn		4,454	9	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	0.67	7.29
St. Kilda		1,420	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11.52
South Dunedin		5,158	10	1	..	2	1	..	3	7	1.36	10.95	
West Harbour	1,364	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.51	
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	..	49,791	86	4	1	17	3	1	12	38	0.76	11.99	

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

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

The total births in the above boroughs amounted to 367, against 445 in January—a decrease of 78. The deaths in February were 156—a decrease of 59 on the number in January. Of the total deaths, males contributed 80, females 76. Fifty-four of the deaths were of children under 5 years of age, being 34.62 per cent. of the whole number; 45 of these were under 1 year of age.

There were forty-three deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Five men, 68, 70, 79, 81, 83, and five women, 72, 74, 78, 84, 86, died at Auckland; two men, 66, 69, and four women, 70, 71, 73, 86, at Wellington; five men, 71 (two), 75, 78, 80, and nine women, 65, 69, 71 (two), 75, 76, 79, 84, 88, at Christchurch; and ten men, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 76 (two), 82, 90 (two), and three women, 66, 75, 90, at Dunedin.

THE following Table shows the Causes of the Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from each Cause, in the Boroughs above given, registered during the Month of February, 1900.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I.	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	7	2	4	2	7	3	2	2	29	18.59
II.	Parasitic Diseases ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.64
III.	Dietetic Diseases ..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	3	1.92
IV.	Constitutional Diseases	1	8	..	2	..	4	..	7	22	14.10
V.	Developmental Diseases	..	2	2	1	2	4	2	1	14	8.97
VI.	Local Diseases ..	9	11	2	14	6	16	5	12	75	48.08
VII.	Violence .. ..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	3	6	3.85
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	6	3.85
	Totals ..	19	25	9	20	17	28	9	29	156	100.00

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		TOTAL
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES— <i>continued.</i>									
ORDER 7:—									
<i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Bright's Disease	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	3
Cystitis	1	1
ORDER 8:—									
<i>Diseases of Reproductive System,—</i>									
Pelvic Abscess	1	..	..	..	..	1
Phlegmasia Dolens	1	..	..	1
ORDER 10:—									
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System,—</i>									
Cellulitis	1	1
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>									
Run over by Vehicle	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Injury to Thigh	1	1
Scalds	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Drowned	1	..	..	..	1	2
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Homicide,—</i>									
Manslaughter	1	1
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.									
Marasmus, &c.	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4
Gangrene	1	1
Abscesses	1	..	..	1
Totals	19	25	9	20	17	28	9	29	156

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

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

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Mean Population.
Auckland City	0.99
and five suburban boroughs	0.84
Wellington City	0.68
and three suburban boroughs	0.61
Christchurch City	0.81
and four suburban boroughs	0.99
Dunedin City	0.85
and eight suburban boroughs	0.76

Including the suburbs, the rate at Christchurch is the highest, and at Wellington the lowest. Compared with February, 1899, the results are,—

	February, 1899.	February, 1900.
Auckland and suburbs	1.18	0.84
Wellington and suburbs	0.72	0.61
Christchurch and suburbs	1.53	0.99
Dunedin and suburbs	0.77	0.76

Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases.—The deaths from these diseases numbered 29 in February, against 31 in the preceding month. Influenza caused 7 deaths—2 in Wellington, 3 in Christchurch, and 2 in Dunedin. Whooping-cough was fatal in 3 cases, all at Christchurch; and there was 1 death from typhoid fever at Auckland. Diarrhoeal diseases were fatal in 16 cases—7 at Auckland, 4 at Wellington, 3 at Christchurch, and 2 at Dunedin.

Parasitic Diseases.—One death from hydatids was recorded at Dunedin.

Dietetic Diseases.—There were 3 deaths in this class—2 from alcoholism at Dunedin, and 1 child from malnutrition at Wellington.

Constitutional Diseases.—Deaths from constitutional diseases decreased from 47 in January to 22 in February; 12 of the latter were due to phthisis and other forms of tuberculosis, 9 to cancer, and 1 to diabetes.

Developmental Diseases.—Of the 14 deaths in this class, 8 were from old age, and 6 from premature birth, malformation, &c.

Local Diseases.—Diseases in this class accounted for 75 deaths; and of these, 15 were due to nervous diseases, 21 to heart-disease and other diseases of the circulatory system; 13 were from bronchitis, pneumonia, and pleurisy (1 at Auckland, 3 at Wellington, 7 at Christchurch, and 2 at Dunedin); and 18 were set down to diseases of the digestive system. The other deaths in this class were caused by diseases of the lymphatic system (1), of the urinary system (4), of the reproductive system (2), and of the integumentary system (1).

Violence.—There were only 6 deaths in this class, 5 of which were accidental, and 1 was classed as homicidal. In Auckland a woman was killed by a vehicle passing over her, and a boilermaker died from injuries by scalding. A shipping agent was found drowned at Wellington; while in Dunedin a mill-hand was accidentally drowned, and the death of a boy of fourteen years was, according to the verdict of a jury, due to manslaughter.

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

Towns.	SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.												PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES.							
	Measles.		Scarlet Fever.		Typhoid and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping-cough.		Diarrheal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	1	2	..	1	..	..	7	6	1	1	..	1	..	3	..	..
Wellington and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..
Christchurch and suburban boroughs	3	1	3	3	3	1	1	..	3	2	..	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	1	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	..	2
Totals	1	..	..	1	2	..	1	3	2	16	9	6	3	1	1	6	10	..	2

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the under-mentioned Boroughs, during the Month of February, 1900.

BOROUGHES.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1900.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN FEBRUARY, 1900.									Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, February, 1900.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1899.
			Males.			Females.			Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, February, 1900.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1899.			
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.						
Thames	5,000	16	1	..	2	2	5	1.00	13.60			
New Plymouth	4,041	10	..	..	1	1	..	2	0.49	12.90		
Napier	9,486	22	4	..	3	..	3	10	1.05	13.03				
Wanganui	6,842	11	1	..	1	1	..	4	0.58	10.91				
Palmerston North	6,263	18	..	1	..	1	1	4	0.64	10.59				
Blenheim	2,970	9	..	..	1	..	1	2	0.67	11.93		
Nelson	7,120	13	..	..	2	..	1	3	0.42	13.40		
Greymouth	3,423	10	..	..	1	..	1	2	0.58	10.64		
Hokitika	2,463	6	..	..	2	..	1	3	1.22	10.90		
Lyttelton	4,026	7	2	..	2	1	..	5	1.24	10.64				
Timaru	5,795	16	..	..	2	2	..	4	0.69	13.40		
Oamaru	5,411	10	1	..	1	1	1	4	0.74	11.31				
Invercargill	5,681*	13	..	..	3	..	..	3	0.53	14.90

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 26th March, 1900.

GEO. DRURY,
Deputy Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR FEBRUARY, 1900.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	LINCOLN, CANTERBURY.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in shade for month* ..	66.2	60.2	60.3	55.5
Average same month previous years* ...	67.6	62.5	61.0	57.4
Maximum Temperature in shade, and date*	78.0 on 2nd	79.0 on 1st	92.5 on 5th	81.0 on 28th
Minimum Temperature in shade, and date*	55.5 on 12th and 23rd	44.5 on 12th	37.0 on 6th	39.0 on 15th
Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* ..	138.0 on 18th and 19th	132.0 on 1st	..	..
Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date*	48.0 on 23rd	37.0 on 3rd	33.0 on 6th	33.0 on 15th
Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) ..	73	64	62	75
Average same month previous years ...	72	71	72	71
Total Rainfall, in inches ..	1.600	1.922	1.130	3.802
Average same month previous years ...	3.514	3.542	...	2.660
Number of Days of Rain ..	9	9	9	16
Average same month previous years ...	11	9	7	12

* Fahrenheit.

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

Meteorological Office, Wellington, 12th March, 1900.

JAMES HECTOR,
Director.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of FEBRUARY, 1900, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	25	22	..	..	47	61	39	5	8	113
New South Wales	529	261	52	41	883	682	380	49	39	1,150
Queensland .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Victoria	256	102	23	22	403	199	141	21	17	378
South Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Western Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania	113	32	10	7	162	47	17	2	2	68
Fiji	6	8	3	2	19	3	1	..	..	4
Other British possessions	5	1	..	..	6*	263	..	..	..	263†
Pacific Islands	33	9	12	5	59‡	5	1	..	..	6§
Other foreign ports	11	2	2	2	17||	36	19	3	2	60¶
Totals, February, 1900	978	437	102	79	1,596	1,296	598	80	68	2,042
Totals, February, 1899	969	489	94	83	1,635	978	613	83	79	1,753

* From Bengal, 2; Natal, 2; Surprise Island, 2. † For South Africa. ‡ From Friendly Islands, 33; Navigator Islands, 2; Cook Islands, 24. § For Cook Islands. || From United States of America, West Coast. ¶ For United States of America, West Coast, 51; Uruguay, 4; Monte Video, 5.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara	1	1	..	2	2	5	4	6	3	9
Auckland	555	76	423	208	631	532	46	389	239	623
Wellington	355	42	254	143	397	606	55	431	230	661
Napier	1	..	1	..	1	2	..	2	..	2
Lyttelton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	288	3	276	15	291
Invercargill	503	62	402	163	565	411	40	272	179	451
Totals, February, 1900	1,415	181	1,030	516	1,596	1,894	148	1,376	666	2,042
Totals, February, 1899	1,458	177	1,063	572	1,635	1,591	162	1,061	692	1,753

CHINESE.—Arrivals—at Wellington, 3. Departures—from Wellington, 31.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 28th March, 1900.

GEO. DRURY,
Deputy Registrar-General.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ALEXANDER IRVINE, of Waipawa, Sheep-drover, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Napier, on Thursday, the 5th day of April, 1900, at 11.30 o'clock.

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

Napier, 26th March, 1900.

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

DIVIDENDS as under on all proved accepted claims are now payable at my office, Perry Street, Masterton:—John Mowlem and Co., of Masterton, Auctioneers, 9d. in the pound (first).

E. P. Willcocks, of Masterton, Draper, 5s. in the pound (first). Promissory notes must be produced for indorsement of dividend.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 21st March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JAMES NORMAN, of Feilding, a Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 5th day of April, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Palmerston North, 27th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM FULFORD, of Wellington, Bricklayer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 30th day of March, 1900, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 24th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE BEDFORD, of Wellington, Umbrella-maker, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1900, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 20th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that OLIVER BUBB, of Blind River, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Blenheim, on the 5th day of April, 1900, at 3 o'clock.

R. W. H. D. DUNN,
Deputy Official Assignee.
23rd March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM HENRY GAZE, late of Westport, now of Australia, Medical Practitioner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 23rd day of March, 1900, at 3 o'clock p.m.

A. D. BAYFEILD,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Westport, 9th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that MARY ANN SHEERLOCK, Widow, of Westport (late of Coalbrookdale), was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 31st day of March, 1900, at 3 o'clock p.m.

A. D. BAYFEILD,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Westport, 26th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that FRANK BULL, of Peel Forest, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 2nd day of April, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

JOHN DAVISON,
Deputy Official Assignee.
26th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE HENRY WOOD (trading as "John D. Ward"), of Dunedin, Hawker, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.
Dunedin, 20th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS AMOS, WALTER AMOS, and WILLIAM AMOS (trading as "Amos and Sons"), of Otago, Sawmillers, were this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 26th day of March, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock afternoon.

Meetings of creditors in the individual estates will be held in the order named at the close of the above meeting.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Invercargill, 19th March, 1900.

In Bankruptcy.

A FIRST and final dividend, of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound, on all proved and accepted claims in the estate of Robert Walker, is now payable at my office, Dee Street, Invercargill.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Invercargill, 27th March, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRY McCLELLAND and HENRY FOULKE GÖTZ (trading as "McClelland and Götz"), of Paeroa, Auctioneers and General Commission Agents, were this day adjudged bankrupts; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 30th day of March, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
Official Assignee.
22nd March, 1900.

Mining Notices.

THE ENTERPRISE GULLY DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

AT an extraordinary general meeting of the members of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at Dunedin on the 22nd day of March, 1900, the following extraordinary resolution was duly passed:—

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the company be wound up voluntarily."

And at the same meeting WILLIAM THOMAS MONKMAN, of Dunedin, was appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up.

Dated this 26th day of March, 1900.

JAS. FOTHERINGHAM,
Chairman.
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THIS is the notice marked "A" referred to in the annexed declaration of William Robert Walker, made before me this 8th day of March, 1900.

GEORGE A. GRIBBIN,
A Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.
A.

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

At extraordinary general meetings of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at the offices of Messrs. Earl and Campbell, Solicitors, Shortland Street, Auckland, on the 7th day of February, 1900, and the 22nd day of February, 1900, respectively, the following special resolution was duly passed and confirmed: namely, "That the company be wound up voluntarily under 'The Companies Act, 1882.'" And at such last-mentioned meeting WILLIAM ROBERT WALKER, of Auckland, Sharebroker, was appointed Liquidator for the purposes of the winding-up.

Dated at Auckland, this 8th day of March, 1900.

W. R. WALKER.
Witness to the signature of William Robert Walker—
George A. Gribbin, Solicitor, Auckland.

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

I, WILLIAM ROBERT WALKER, of Auckland, in the Colony of New Zealand, Sharebroker, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That at the time of the holding of the extraordinary general meetings of the Phoenix Coal Company (Limited), mentioned in the notice hereto annexed marked "A," I was the Secretary of the said company.

2. That I am now the Liquidator for the purpose of the winding-up of the said company.

3. That I was present at both the above-mentioned meetings.

4. That the resolution mentioned in the said annexed notice marked "A" was duly passed at the first of the said meetings and confirmed at the second, and that the statements contained in the said notice are in all respects accurate.

5. That Thomas Wood, of Auckland, Gentleman, was Chairman of both the said meetings.

6. That the said Thomas Wood is now a passenger on the high seas on his way to Europe.

7. That the signature set and subscribed to the said annexed notice marked "A" is my signature, and in my proper handwriting.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and under and by virtue of the provisions of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. R. WALKER.
Declared at Auckland aforesaid, this 8th day of March, 1900, before me—George A. Gribbin, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 460

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

JOHN WILLIAM MATTHEWS.—Section 134, Township of Gisborne, 1 rood. Occupied by Thomas Garrett, George Smith, William Morgan, and H. Bull and Son. No. 1182.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 20th day of March, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Gisborne.

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

823. FRED ANDREWS.—Section 169, Huirangi, 53 acres. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 1444).

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

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R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 30th day of April, 1900.

2953. FREDERICK RICHARDSON.—12 acres 1 rood 5 perches, part of Section 28, Harbour District. Occupied by Applicant.

2960. HARRIETT ELLEN UNDERWOOD.—20,5⁷/₈ perches, part of Section 179, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

2961. JAMES BULL.—2 acres 3 roods 20 perches, part of Sections 40 and 41, Rangitikei District. Occupied by Applicant.

2968. MARY ANN HANNAH MCKENZIE.—30-9 perches, part of Section 207, Taratahi Plain Block (Borough of Carterton). Occupied by Walter Stephen Dudson.

2969. MARY ANN HANNAH MCKENZIE.—8-6 perches, part of Section 207, Taratahi Plain Block (Borough of Carterton). Occupied by Walter Henry Franks.

2970. JAMES GRAHAM FOX.—26-7 perches, part of Section 207, Taratahi Plain Block (Borough of Carterton). Occupied by Thomas Kemp.

2971. THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE.—99 acres 3 roods 13 perches, Subdivision No. 2, Te Whiti North, Otahoua Survey District. Occupied by Thomas William Wardell and Vincent Herbert Wardell as lessees.

2972. FRANCES ANN STEWART.—1 rood, part of Suburban Section 29, Town of Wanganui. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

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W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

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

485. PETER TROLOVE and JOHN WILLIAM TROLOVE.—7,222 acres 3 roods 38 perches, Sections 22, 23, 25 to 32 (inclusive), 41 to 47 (inclusive), 53 to 57 (inclusive), and part Section 24, District of Waipapa; and Sections 104 to 112 (inclusive), Woodbank Run, Waipapa District (the Shades Run). In occupation of Applicants.

486. PETER TROLOVE.—8,463 acres 3 roods 22 perches, Sections 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 14 to 21 (inclusive), 37, 38, 39, 40, 48, 49, 50, 52, 66 to 81 (inclusive), and part Section 24, District of Waipapa; Sections 113, 114, 115, Woodbank Run, Waipapa District (known as Woodbank Run). In occupation of A. J. Murray.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Blenheim.

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J. ALLEN,
District Land Registrar.

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

8753. HENRIE HAMPTON RAYWARD.—4 acres 1 rood 10 perches, part of Rural Section 143, Block XI., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8754. BRANSBY WHITE.—61 acres 3 roods 4 perches, parts of Rural Sections 3070, 8906, and 9707, Block XIII., Rangiora Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

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G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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

ANNIE McMENAMIN BOYLE.—3 roods, being Lots 1, 6, and 7 on deposited Plan No. 58, known as Powelltown, and being part of Section 29, Block XIX., Invercargill Hundred. Occupied by Applicant. No. 2750.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1900, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

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F. G. MORGAN,
District Land Registrar.

Private Advertisements.

MEDICAL REGISTRATION.

I, WILLIAM JAMES CRAN, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery in the University of New Zealand, now residing in Auckland, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 26th April 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 of Birth and Deaths at Auckland.

WILLIAM JAMES CRAN.
Dated at Auckland, 26th March, 1900. 467

MEDICAL REGISTRATION.

I, DOUGLAS HOME BLACKADER BETT, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of New Zealand, now residing in Auckland, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 23rd April 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 of Births and Deaths at Auckland.

DOUGLAS HOME BLACKADER BETT.
Dated at Auckland, 23rd March, 1900. 468

To W. J. Hall, Esq., Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, Dunedin.

I, EDMUND JAMES McARA, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of New Zealand, now residing in Dunedin, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 26th April, 1900, 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 of Births and Deaths at Dunedin.

E. J. McARA, M.B., B.C.
Dunedin, 26th March, 1900. 473

PAPAKURA ROAD DISTRICT.

THE following is the result of the poll taken on the 10th of March, 1900, for the purpose of either adopting or rejecting "The Rating on Unimproved Value Act, 1896":—

For the proposal, 30 votes.

Against the proposal, 1 vote.

There being a majority of votes in favour of the proposal, I declare it carried.

GODWIN D. SMITH,
Chairman.

Papakura Valley,
12th March, 1900. 461

THE MERCANTILE LAND, ESTATE, AND FINANCIAL AGENCY COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above company will be held at the office of Mr. E. Weymouth, Star Chambers, 22, Shortland Street, Auckland, on Thursday, 24th May, 1900, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company has been disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated at Auckland, the 20th day of March, 1900.

462 W. RYLEY, Liquidator.

WAIRARAPA SOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

MOROA WATER-RACE.

In pursuance of the provisions of "The Water-supply Amendment Act, 1898," and its amendments.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the County of Wairarapa South, having received a requisition signed by a majority of ratepayers supplied by the Moroa Water-race to that effect, has by a special order, passed the 12th day of February, 1900, appointed Messrs. THOMAS KEMPTON, ALFRED MACEY WILKINSON, COLEMAN PHILLIPS, JAMES WILLIAMS, THOMAS BENTON the younger, JAMES THOMPSON, and WILLIAM JOHN NIX to be the Managing Ratepayers of the Moroa Water-race, to have all the powers of management possessed by the said Council relative to such water-race.

And further notice is hereby given that the aforesaid special order will be presented for confirmation at a meeting of the Council to be held on the 5th day of March, 1900, from and after which date the above-named ratepayers will hold office as such Managing Ratepayers.

A copy of the aforesaid special order has been deposited, and may be inspected during office hours, at the office of the Council at Carterton.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1900.

H. H. WOLTERS,
County Clerk.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and amendments; and in the matter of the Gisborne Brewing and Malting Company (Limited).

I, WILLIAM ALFRED BARTON, Registrar of the Northern Judicial District, do hereby notify that an affidavit, a copy of which is hereto attached, by Thomas Chrisp, Secretary of the Gisborne Brewing and Malting Company (Limited), has been lodged in the Magistrate's Court at Gisborne, and forwarded to me, and that unless notice of objection be lodged with me within sixty days of this date I shall proceed to declare the said company to be dissolved in manner provided by "The Companies Act, 1882."

Signed this 14th day of March, 1900.

W. A. BARTON,
Registrar.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and amendments; and in the matter of the Gisborne Brewing and Malting Company (Limited).

I, THOMAS CHRISP, of Gisborne, in the Provincial District of Auckland, in New Zealand, Agent, the Secretary of the Gisborne Brewing and Malting Company (Limited), incorporated under "The Companies Act, 1882," do hereby make oath and say,—

1. That the nominal value of the said company is six thousand pounds (£6,000), in six thousand (6,000) shares of one pound (£1) each.

2. That the shares have been fully paid up.

3. That the said company has no assets, and has ceased to carry on its operations.

And I hereby apply for declaration of dissolution of such company.

THOMAS CHRISP.

Sworn by the said Thomas Chrisp, at Gisborne aforesaid, this 3rd day of March, 1900, before me—J. Booth, Stipendiary Magistrate for the District of Poverty Bay. 459

Mining Notice.

THE MAY QUEEN (HAURAKI), (LIMITED).

THE NEW MOANATAIRI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Offices of the above-named companies have been changed from the office of the Anglo-Continental Gold Syndicate (Limited), Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland, and that the Offices of the said companies for the transaction of their ordinary business are situated at Tararu Road, at Thames, and that the Offices of the same for the registration of shares and the execution and issue of scrip-certificates are at the office of Messrs. Jackson and Russell, Shortland Street, Auckland.

Dated the 22nd day of March, 1900.

JAMES PARK,
Attorney for the said Companies.

JACKSON AND RUSSELL,
Solicitors for the said Companies.

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