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Lands set apart for Settlement.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.
WHAREPUHUNGA BLOCK.

Area.	Section.	Block No.	Survey District.
A. R. P.			
1,381 3 0	1	I.	Wharepapa.
358 2 0	2	"	"
343 0 0	3	"	"
347 3 20	4	"	"
273 3 29	6	"	"
617 3 17	{ 5	{ V. }	"
	{ 1	{ I. }	"
1,896 3 14	{ 7	{ II. }	"
427 2 35	2	V.	"
929 3 2	3	"	"
473 0 16	4	"	"
1,064 0 30	5	"	"
919 3 18	{ 6	{ VI. }	"
	{ 3	{ " }	"
1,816 0 20	1	II.	"
	2	"	"
1,635 0 5	2	VI.	"
1,352 0 0	{ 5	{ " }	"
	{ 2	{ X. }	"
	{ 7	{ V. }	"
1,456 1 0	1	IX.	"
	4	VI.	"
	1	X.	"
1,193 0 0	2	IX.	"
	3	X.	"

As the same are delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 39770, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over His 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-ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, 1901.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

JAMES WALTON,
WILLIAM JOHNS,
ROBERT CUNNINGHAM,
PATRICK O'CONNOR, and
MICHAEL TURNER

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

ERRATUM.—In Schedule to Proclamation under section 13, "The Land Act, 1892," taking land for road in Block XV., Mangawhero, published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 4, page 53, of the 10th January, 1901, for "89" in second column read "83," opposite area 3a. 2r. 21p.

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the first Saturday in each month, at three o'clock p.m., at the Public Library at Te Awamutu, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Saturday, the second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and one.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres 3 roods 36 perches, more or less, being Lot No. 6 and parts of Lots Nos. 7 and 8 of Allotment No. 236 of the Parish of Mangapiko, and being the whole of the land described in certificate of title, Vol. lxxix., folio 40, registered in the District Land Registry Office, Auckland.

All that parcel of land called or known as Lot No. 54A, Parish of Mangapiko, Block XIV., Hamilton Survey District, Auckland Land District, and containing by admeasurement 8 acres 3 roods 24 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 858 links; towards the east by Lot No. 54 of the aforesaid parish, 940 links; towards the south by Lot No. 54 aforesaid, 800 links; and towards the west by Ngaroto Lake to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less, as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 32 perches, more or less, being the south-eastern portion of Section No. 223, Parish of Puniu, in Block III., Puniu Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road; towards the south by Section No. 226; and towards the north-west by the other part of the said Section No. 223: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Empowering Native Appellate Court to hear Appeal under Section 62 of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, 1901.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section sixty-two of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is provided that in any case in which application has been or shall be made to the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court, under section thirty-nine of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," in respect of any order of the Court determining the succession

to the estate of any Native deceased, the Governor, on being certified by the Chief Judge as in the said section is provided, may, by Order in Council, empower the Native Appellate Court to deal with such application as a valid appeal under "The Native Land Court Act, 1894": And whereas the Chief Judge has, in respect of the application of Moetapapa te Moengaroa Kauika, under section thirty-nine aforesaid, certified as by the said section sixty-two is required: And whereas the said application in all other respects complies with the requirements of the last-mentioned section:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority enabling him in that behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby empower the Native Appellate Court to deal with the said application as an appeal, under the provisions of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," from the order of Court hereinafter specified, that is to say:—

The order of the Court, dated the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred, appointing Huhana Manakore and nine others to succeed to the interest of Ruta Huai Meihana, deceased, in Pakaraka No. 1 Block.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, 1901.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

REGULATION.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in an Order in Council made on the 5th day of January, 1888, under the provisions of "The Education Act, 1877," relating (*inter alia*) to attendance registers and returns, the payments of capitation allowance to Education Boards for the half-year ending on the 31st day of March, 1901, shall be according to the working-average attendance of the quarters ending on the 30th day of September and on the 31st day of December, 1900, as working average was defined by Order in Council dated the 5th day of July, 1887, and made under the provisions of the before-mentioned Act.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing Te Puna Road Board to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Tauranga Harbour.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, 1901.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned, the Te Puna Road Board (hereinafter called "the Board") has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), to occupy a part of the foreshore of Tauranga Harbour, in order to erect and maintain thereon a landing-shed; and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited plans (two sheets) in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2402) showing the place where it is intended to erect such shed, the area of foreshore to be occupied for such purpose, and the manner in which it is proposed to erect the shed: And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that the proposed work will not be or tend to the injury of navigation; and the said plans have, prior to the making of this Order in Council, been approved by the Governor in Council without modification or addition: And whereas it is expedient that a license under the said Act, for the

purpose aforesaid, should be granted and issued to the Board on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby approve of the purpose or object for which the said license is required by the Board as aforesaid; and, in further pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby license and permit the Board to use and occupy the part of the foreshore necessary for the shed, as shown on the plans marked M.D. 2402, for the erection of a landing-shed in accordance with the plans marked M.D. 2402, and which said license shall be held and enjoyed by the Board upon and subject to the following terms and conditions, that is to say:—

1. In these conditions the term "Minister" means the Minister having charge of the Marine Department, as defined by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and includes any officer, person, or authority acting by or under the direction of such Minister.

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore necessary for the erection of the landing-shed shown on plans marked M.D. 2402, and deposited in the office of the Marine Department as aforesaid.

3. Any person authorised by the Minister may at all reasonable times enter upon the said premises and view the state of repair thereof; and upon such Minister leaving at or posting to the last known office of the Board a notice in writing of any defect or want of repair in such premises, requiring them, within a reasonable time, to be therein prescribed, to repair the same, they shall with all convenient speed cause such defect to be removed or such repairs to be made, as the case may be.

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

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

6. The Board shall be liable for any injury which any work or structure on the said premises may cause any vessel or boat to sustain through any default or neglect on the part of the Board.

7. In case the Board shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to provide or maintain any work or structure on the said premises in good order and condition; or
- (3.) Cease to occupy the premises for a period of thirty days,

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing the National Mortgage and Agency Company (Limited) to use and occupy a Part of the Tidal Land and Water of Kaipara Harbour.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, 1901.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), the National Mortgage and Agency Company (Limited), (hereinafter called "the company"),

has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under the said Act to occupy a part of the tidal land and water of Wairoa River, near Te Koporu, in Kaipara Harbour, in order to further extend a wharf constructed in accordance with plans marked M.D. 1514, 1515, and 2156, which were approved by the Governor in Council on the twenty-fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and on the twenty-second day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited a plan in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington (marked M.D. 2393), showing the place where it is intended to make such extension, the area of tidal land and water intended to be occupied, and the manner in which it is proposed to make the extension: And whereas the Governor in Council has approved of the purpose for which the said license is required: And whereas it is expedient that a license should be granted and issued to the company under the said Act, for the purpose aforesaid, on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

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

1. In these conditions the term "Minister" means the Minister having charge of the Marine Department, as defined by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and includes any officer, person, or authority acting by or under the direction of such Minister.

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the tidal land and water occupied by the said wharf-extension, as shown on plan marked M.D. 2393.

3. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the company shall, on being supplied with a copy thereof, pay to the Minister the sum of two pounds ten shillings, and thereafter an annual sum of one pound, payable on the first day of November, dating from the first day of November, one thousand nine hundred and one, the first of such annual payments to be made on the first day of November, one thousand nine hundred and one.

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. The rights, powers, and privileges conferred by or under this Order in Council shall continue to be in force for

fourteen years from the twenty-second day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, unless in the meantime such rights, powers, and privileges shall be altered, modified, or revoked by competent authority; and the company shall not assign, charge, or part with any such right, power, or privilege without the written consent of the Minister first obtained.

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

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

13. In case the company shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said wharf-extension for a period of thirty days;
- (3.) Do, commit, or suffer any act which would entitle any creditor or other person to take any proceedings to have the company wound up in accordance with any law for the time being in force relating to registered companies, or suffer or obtain an order of some Court of competent jurisdiction, or procure or allow to be passed a special or extraordinary resolution, for the winding-up of the said company, or suffer a distress or execution to be respectively levied or sued out, upon, or against the property of the company in New Zealand; or
- (4.) Fail to pay the sums specified in clause three of these conditions,

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Authorising Local Authority to issue Licenses under "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, 1901.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council gazetted, authorise any specified local authorities whose districts are in whole or in part comprised within a kauri-gum district to issue licenses under the said Act; And whereas it is expedient to make provision for the issue of such licenses: Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby authorise and empower the local authority specified in the Schedule hereto to be a local authority authorised to issue licenses under the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

Auckland City Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Notice of Intention to change the Purpose of a Reserve in the Wellington 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 change 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 reserve described in the Schedule hereto from a site for a sheep-dip to a reserve for railway purposes.

SCHEDULE.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 1 rood, more or less, being Reserve G, Town of Wanganui. Bounded towards the north-east by Churton Street; towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 1 and 2; towards the south-west by the Town Belt; and towards the north-west by the Town Belt; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Intention to change the Purpose of a Portion of a Reserve in the Hawke's Bay 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 reserve described in the second column of the Schedule hereto from a site for a Customhouse and post-office to a site for a drillshed.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Original Reserve.	Portion which it is intended to change.
Section No. 374, Town of Gisborne, Hawke's Bay Land District, containing 1 acre 1 rood 13 perches. Reserved for a Customhouse and post-office. <i>Gazette</i> No. 1, 1872, page 8.	All that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, being portion of Section No. 374, Town of Gisborne, containing by admeasurement 19 perches, more or less, commencing at a point on the south-east side of Customhouse Street 282.2 links from the junction of that street and Gladstone Road. Bounded towards the north-west by Customhouse Street, 61 links; towards the south-west by other part of Section No. 374, 205.6 links; towards the south-east by Read's Quay, 63.1 links; and towards the north-east by other part of Section No. 374, 187.3 links: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Lands set apart for Mining Purposes exclusively.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by section twenty of "The Mining Act, 1898," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby set apart the unoccupied Crown lands described in the Schedule hereto for mining purposes exclusively.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 43,700 acres, more or less, bounded towards the east by a right line running due north through the Initial Trig. Station (Buller Circuit) from the Buller Coalfield Reserve to a point 200 chains north of the said Initial Trig. Station; thence towards the north by a line running due west to the sea; thence towards the west by the sea to the Porarari River; thence towards the south-east by a right line to the north-eastern corner of Block II., Brighton Survey District; thence towards the east by a right line to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 1, Block VII., Waitakere Survey District; thence by a right line to a point 20 chains due north of the north-eastern corner of Block V., Waitakere Survey District; thence by a right line running due north to the Okari River; and thence by that river and the Buller Coalfield Reserve to the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 23,080 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-west by the Buller Coalfield Reserve: towards the north generally by a line parallel to the north bank of the Buller River, at a distance of 20 chains from the middle of that river, from the Buller Coalfield Reserve to the south-western corner of Section No. 12, Block XVI., Orikaka Survey District; thence by the western boundary-line of that section to its north-western corner; thence by a right line bearing N. 7° 30' E. for a distance of 120 chains; thence by a right line bearing S. 82° 30' E. for a distance of 409 chains 98 links; thence by a right line running in the direction of the confluence of Eight-mile Creek with the Buller River to a point 20 chains distant from the middle of the Buller River; thence by a line parallel to the north bank of the Buller River, at a distance of 20 chains from the middle of that river, to its confluence with the River Matiri: thence towards the west generally by the River Matiri to its confluence with the Buller River; thence by a line across the Buller River to a point distant 20 chains from the middle of that river: and thence towards the south generally by a line parallel to the south bank of the Buller River, at a distance of 20 chains from the middle of that river, to the Buller Coalfield Reserve aforesaid: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 31,210 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north by Mining Reserve No. 8, as described in *Gazette* No. 72, 28th September, 1893; towards the east by a line running generally parallel to the eastern bank of the River Maruia, at a distance of about 40 chains from the middle of that river, from Mining Reserve No. 8 aforesaid to the northern boundary-line of the Rahu Survey District; thence by that boundary-line to a point due north of Trig. Station C, Rahu; thence by a right line running due south through Trig. Station C, Rahu, to the southern boundary-line of Block IV., Rahu Survey District; thence by that boundary-line to a point 40 chains distant from the middle of the Maruia River; thence by a line running parallel to the eastern bank of the River Maruia, at a distance of about 40 chains from the middle of that river, for a distance of about thirteen miles; thence towards the south-east by a right line at right angles to the last-described boundary in a south-westerly direction for a distance of about 80 chains; thence towards the west by a line running generally parallel to the western bank of the River Maruia, at a distance of about 40 chains from the middle of that river, to the southern boundary-line of Block III., Rahu Survey District; thence by that southern boundary-line in a westerly direction to a point 250 chains west of Trig. Station C; thence by a right line running due north to the northern boundary-line of the Rahu Survey District; thence by that northern boundary-line to a point 40 chains distant from the middle of the River Maruia; and thence by a line running parallel to the western bank of the River Maruia, at a distance of about 40 chains from the middle of that river, to Mining Reserve No. 8 aforesaid: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 4,200 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north generally by the southern boundary-line of Section No. 91,

Block I., Tutaki Survey District, and that boundary-line produced to the eastern bank of the Matakiki River; thence by the eastern bank of that river to the southern boundary-line of Section No. 25, and thence by that southern boundary-line to the south-eastern corner of the said Section No. 25: thence towards the east generally by the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 26, said Block I., to its south-eastern corner; thence by a line running parallel to the general course of the Matakiki River, distant about 12½ chains from the middle of that river, for a distance of about seventeen miles to the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 3, Block VI., Matakiki Survey District; thence by the south-eastern boundary-line of said Section No. 3 and its production in a south-westerly direction for a distance of about 25 chains; thence by a line running parallel to the general course of the Matakiki River, distant about 12½ chains from the middle of that river, to a point 10 chains distant from the middle of the Glenroy River; thence by a line running parallel to the general course of the Glenroy River, distant about 10 chains from the middle of that river, for a distance of about five miles: thence towards the south by a right line at right angles to the last-described boundary-line for a distance of about 20 chains: thence towards the west generally by a line running parallel to the general course of the Glenroy River, and distant about 10 chains from the middle of that river, to a point opposite the confluence of the Matakiki and Glenroy Rivers; and thence by a line running parallel to the general course of the Matakiki River, and distant about 12½ chains from the middle of that river, to the southern boundary-line of Section No. 91, Block I., Tutaki Survey District aforesaid: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, situated in the Tutaki Survey District, containing 2,560 acres, more or less, bounded by a line commencing at a point where the southern boundary-line of Mining Reserve No. 8, as described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 72, 28th September, 1893, is intersected by the boundary-line between Sections 64 and 65, Square 138, and proceeding thence in a south-easterly and southerly direction along a line running parallel to the general course of Doughboy Creek, and distant from the centre thereof about 40 chains, for a distance of about four miles; thence along a line at right angles to the last-described boundary-line for a distance of about 80 chains; thence northerly along a line running parallel to the general course of Doughboy Creek, and distant from the centre thereof about 40 chains, to the southern boundary-line of the said Mining Reserve No. 8; and thence north-easterly along that boundary-line to the point of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, situated in Kawatiri Survey District, containing 5,000 acres, more or less, bounded by a line commencing at Trig. Station O, and proceeding in a northerly direction along the sea-coast to the River Waimangaroa; thence in an easterly direction along the south bank of that river for a distance of about two miles to the boundary of the Buller Coalfield Reserve; thence in a south-westerly direction along the boundary of the said reserve to the River Orawaiti; thence in a north-westerly direction along a right line to the Trig. Station O aforesaid: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 25,900 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north by a right line from the north-eastern corner of Section No. 15, Block II., Reefton Survey District, to Trig. Station HH, Reefton Survey District: thence towards the east generally by a right line to Trig. Station G; thence by a right line to Trig. Station N, Reefton Survey District; thence by a right line running in the direction of Trig. Station A, Waitahu Survey District, to the Inangahua River: thence towards the south-west by the Inangahua River to a point due south of the southern corner of Section No. 214A, Square 131, Block XIV., Reefton Survey District: thence towards the west generally by a right line to the southern corner of said Section No. 214A; thence by the eastern and south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 214A, 115, and 161 to the northern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence by a right line to the southern corner of Section No. 88, Square 131, Block X., Reefton Survey District; thence by the eastern boundary of that section to the road leading to Boatman's; thence along the southern side of that road to the north-eastern corner of Section No. 61, Square 131, Block X., Reefton Survey District; thence by a line running due north across the River Waitahu to its right bank; thence westerly along the said bank to the eastern boundary of Section No. 40, Block X., Reefton Survey District; thence by the eastern and northern boundaries of said Section No. 40, and the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 41, Block X., Reefton Survey District, 168, 166, 250, 259, and 248, Square 131, to the western corner of Section No. 245,

Square 131; thence by the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 2, Square 131, to the northern corner of Section No. 245; thence by the northern boundary of Section No. 2 to the western corner of Section No. 58, Square 131, Block V., Reefton Survey District; thence by the south-eastern side of the Reefton-Westport Road to a point distant 9 chains from the western corner of Section No. 38, Square 131, Block VI., Reefton Survey District; thence by a line to the western corner of Section No. 3, Block VI.; thence by the southern and south-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 3 and 2, Block VI., 241, 242, and 243, Square 131, Sections Nos. 36, 37, and 99, Block XI., and Section No. 199, Square 131, to the southern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence by the eastern boundary of the said Section No. 199 and its production to Boatman's Creek; thence by that creek and Little Boatman's Creek to a point opposite the eastern corner of the Township Reserve of Caplestor; thence by a line across the latter creek to the said corner; thence by the northern boundary of Township Reserve to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 23, Block XI.; thence by the eastern, northern, and western boundaries of that section and the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 243, 242, 241, 178, 177, 231, 230, 180, 179, 229, 228, and 227, Square 131, Block VI., Reefton Survey District, to the southern corner of Section No. 29, Square 131; thence by the south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 29, 26, 23, 18, 16, 14, 12, 11, 10, and 8 to the western corner of Section No. 26; thence by the south-western and south-eastern boundaries of the last mentioned section to the left bank of Larry's Creek, and by that bank to a point due south of the southern corner of Section No. 50, Block VII., Reefton Survey District; thence by a line across Larry's Creek to the said corner, and by the eastern boundary of the said Section No. 50 to its eastern corner; thence by the north eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 50, 51, 52, 53, 55, and 56, Block VII., to the northern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence by a line to the north-eastern corner of Section No. 174, Square 131, Block II., Reefton Survey District; thence by a line to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 7, Block II., and by the eastern and south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 7, 5, 4, 1A, 16, and 15 to the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 83,500 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-east by the Inangahua River from a point due south of the southern corner of Section No. 214A, Square 131, Block XIV., Reefton Survey District, to a right line from Trig. Station H (Waitahu) to Trig. Station F (Waitahu): thence towards the south-east generally by that line to a point distant one mile from Trig. Station H; thence by a right line to Trig. Station A (Waitahu); thence by a right line to Trig. Station J (Waitahu); thence by a right line to Trig. Station I (Waitahu); thence by a right line to a point on the southern boundary of Block IV., Ahaura Survey District, distant a mile and a quarter from its south-western corner; thence by the southern boundary of said Block IV. to its south-western corner; thence by the eastern boundaries of Blocks VII. and XI., Ahaura Survey District, to the Ahaura River: thence towards the south-west by the Ahaura River to the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 182, Square 122, Block I., Ahaura Survey District: thence towards the west generally by a right line to the southern corner of Section No. 25, Block I., Ahaura Survey District, and along the south-eastern boundary of that section to a road; thence along a line across that road to the western corner of Section No. 109, Square 122; thence along the south-western and south-eastern boundaries of that section to a road; thence along a line and across that road to the south-western boundary of Section No. 18, Block I., Ahaura Survey District; thence along the said boundary and the south-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 193, Square 122, and 8 and 9, Block I., Ahaura Survey District; thence along the south-eastern boundary-line of the said Section No. 9 to Orwell Creek; thence along a line across that creek and along south-eastern boundary of Section No. 10, Block I., to the north-eastern corner of that section; thence along a line to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 32, Block I.; thence along the eastern boundary thereof, and along the southern, eastern, and northern boundaries of Section No. 35, and along the road between Sections Nos. 31 and 29 to the south-eastern corner of the latter section; thence along the eastern boundary of Section No. 29 to a road; thence along a line across the road which forms the northern boundary of the said section; thence along the said road to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 31, Block XIII., Mawhera-iti Survey District; thence along the eastern and northern boundaries thereof to road leading from Greymouth to Reefton; thence along that road to the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 73, Square 122, Block XIII., Mawhera-iti Survey District; thence along the south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 73, 72, and 71, Square 122, south-westerly, and along the south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 9, 10, and 11,

Block XIII., and 1, 8, and 7, Block XIV., Mawhera-iti Survey District, to the road forming the eastern boundary of Section No. 153, Square 122; and thence along the road to the south-western corner of Native Reserve (Little Grey Junction), and proceeding along the south-western boundary of the said reserve to its south-eastern corner; thence by the south-eastern boundary-line of the said Native Reserve to the south-western corner of Section No. 190, Square 122, Block XV., Mawhera-iti Survey District, and proceeding thence along the south-western boundaries of that section and Section No. 198, Square 122, and the production thereof to the bank of the River Grey; thence along the south-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 37, Block XV., and 197, Square 122, and along the south-eastern boundary of the latter, and its production to the River Grey, and along that river to Section No. 196, Square 122; thence along the north-western and south-western boundaries of that section, the north-western boundary of Section No. 41, Block XV., to the road forming the south-western boundary of Sections Nos. 41 and 40, Block XV.; thence along the said road and the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 42, Block XV., to the eastern corner of Section No. 169, Square 122; thence along the north-eastern and north-western boundaries of that section, and the north-western and south-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 169 and 170, Square 122, to the road dividing those sections from Section No. 5, Square 121; thence along the said road and across the same to the eastern corner of Section No. 5; thence along the south-western, north-western, and south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 5, Square 121, 2 and 3, Block III., Ahaura Survey District, and 10, 9, 8, 7, and 6, Block IV., Ahaura Survey District, and Section No. 5, Square 121, to the eastern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence northerly along the north-eastern and eastern boundaries of the said section, and along the production of the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 5 aforesaid, to the River Grey; thence south-easterly along the southern bank of that river to a point in line with the south-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 11, Block IV., Ahaura Survey District; thence north-easterly along a right line to the said south-eastern boundary-line, and along the south-eastern boundary-line aforesaid to the easternmost corner of the said Section No. 11; thence generally westerly along the north-eastern and northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 11 and 3, the north-eastern boundary-line of a piece of Crown land, and along the northern boundary-lines of Sections Nos. 8, 2, and 1 respectively, Block IV., Ahaura Survey District, to the River Grey; thence along the northern bank of that river to the south-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 8, Block XVI., Mawhera-iti Survey District; thence along the said boundary-line and the north-eastern and north-western boundary-lines of that section and Section No. 9 respectively to the north-western corner of the latter section; thence along a right line to the easternmost corner of Section No. 10, Block XVI., Mawhera-iti Survey District; thence along the north-eastern boundaries of that section, and Section No. 6, Block XVI., and Sections Nos. 7, 8, and 39, Block XV., to the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Sections Nos. 26 and 17, Block XV.; thence along the said road to the eastern corner of Section No. 17; thence along the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 17, 16, 15, 14, and 13, and the south-eastern boundaries of Section No. 37, Block XV., to the eastern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence along the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 37, Block XV., and Sections Nos. 27, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, and 20, Block XI.; thence along the north-western boundary of the last-mentioned section to the northern boundary of Section No. 9, Block XI.; thence along that boundary and the eastern boundary of Section No. 8 to the southern corner of Section No. 105; thence along the southern boundaries of Sections Nos. 105, 108, and 109, Block XI., and Sections Nos. 2 and 4, Block XII., to the southern bank of Snowy Creek, and along that creek to Section No. 6, Block XII., along the southern and eastern boundaries of the said section, along a line across Snowy Creek; thence along the northern bank of that creek to the north-eastern boundary of Section No. 7, Block XII.; thence along that boundary to the northern corner of that section; thence along a line to the north-eastern corner of Section No. 3, Block XII., and along the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 3 and 1, Block XII., and Sections Nos. 16 and 107, Block XI., to the eastern boundary of Section No. 110, Block XI.; thence along the said boundary to the south-western corner of Section No. 6, Block XI.; thence along the southern and eastern boundaries of Section No. 6 and the southern boundary of Section No. 10, Block VIII., to the south-east corner of that section; thence along a line to the south-western corner of Section No. 4, Block VIII.; thence along the southern boundary of that section to the south-eastern corner of the same; thence along a line due north to the River Blackwater, and along a line across same to the south-western corner of Section No. 5, Block VIII.; thence along the southern and eastern boundaries of that section to Big River;

thence along a line across the same to a point due north of the north-eastern corner of Section No. 5 aforesaid; thence along the northern bank of Big River to the north-eastern corner of Section No. 2, Block VIII., and along the northern boundaries of Sections Nos. 2, Block VIII., and 6, 27, and 26, Block VII., to the north-western corner of the last mentioned section; thence along the eastern and northern boundaries of Section No. 25 to the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 16, Block VII.; thence along the south-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 16, 20, 22 and 24, Block VII., and the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 24 and 7, Block VII., to the bank of the Little Grey River; thence along the eastern bank of the said river to Slab Hut Creek; thence along the southern bank of that creek to Section No. 5, Square 126, Block IV., Mawheraiti Survey District, and along the western, southern, and eastern boundaries of the said section to the road leading from Reefton to Greymouth; thence by that road to the road between Section No. 3, Block XIII., Reefton Survey District, and Section No. 155, Square 131, Block XIII.; thence by the latter road to the northern corner of Section No. 25, Block XIII.; thence by a line to the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 49,400 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-east by the Ahaura River from the eastern corner of Section No. 71, Block IV., Mawheranui Survey District, to the eastern boundary of Block V., Ahaura Survey District: thence towards the east generally by the eastern boundary of the said Block V. to the south-eastern corner of that block; thence by the northern boundary of Block X. for a distance of two miles; thence by a right line running due south to Lake Hochstetter; thence by that lake to Nelson Creek; thence by Nelson Creek to its intersection by the southern boundary of Block VIII., Mawheranui Survey District; thence by the southern boundary of that block to a point one mile and a quarter east from its south-western corner; thence by a right line to a point on another right line connecting Trig. Stations LH (Ahaura) and AR (Mawheranui), distant 2 miles 53 chains south-west from the former trig. station; thence by a right line to Trig. Station AR aforesaid: thence towards the south-west by a right line to a point on the southern boundary-line of Block X., Mawheranui Survey District, distant one mile and a half from its south-eastern corner; thence by the southern boundary-line of Block X. to the River Arnold; thence by that river to the south-western corner of Section No. 107, Block X., Mawheranui Survey District: thence towards the north-west generally by the south-eastern and north-eastern boundaries of the said Section No. 107, the south-eastern and north-eastern boundaries of Section No. 100, Block X., to the Greymouth-Reefton Road; thence by that road to the western corner of Section No. 12, Block X.; thence by the south-western, south-eastern, and north-eastern boundaries of that section and road reserve, the southern boundaries of Sections Nos. 13, 105A, and 105, Block X., and the production of the southern boundary of Section No. 105 to Twelve-mile Creek; thence by that creek to the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 104; thence by the south-eastern and north-eastern boundaries of that section to the Greymouth-Reefton Road; thence by that road to Trig. Station C (Mawheranui), and by the road up Nelson Creek to the western boundary of Section No. 6, Block VII., Mawheranui Survey District; thence by Sections Nos. 5 and 6, Block VII., to Nelson Creek; thence by that creek to the eastern boundary of Section No. 27, Block VII.; thence along the eastern and northern boundaries of that section, and the northern boundary of Section No. 54, Square 123, and along a road forming the northern boundary of Sections Nos. 54 and 55, Square 123, to its junction with the Greymouth-Reefton Road; thence along the said road to the south-western boundary-line of Section No. 39, Square 123; thence along the south-western and south-eastern boundaries of that section, and the south-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 32, Block IV., Mawheranui Survey District, to the easternmost corner thereof; thence along a right line to the southernmost corner of Section No. 80, Block IV., Mawheranui Survey District; thence along the south-eastern boundary of Sections Nos. 80, 78, 76, 74, and 73, Block IV., Mawheranui Survey District, to the easternmost corner of the latter section; thence along a right line to the easternmost corner of Section No. 71, the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold lands, leasehold lands, and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 32,500 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north by a right line from Trig. Station K (Waiwhero) to the north-eastern corner of Block II., Mawheranui Survey District: thence towards the west by the eastern boundary of Block XIV., Waiwhero Survey District, to a point half a mile south of its north-eastern corner: thence again towards the north by a right line running due east to the eastern

boundary of Block XV.: thence again towards the west by the eastern boundaries of Blocks XV., XI., and VII., Waiwhero Survey District, to a point due east of Trig. Station O: thence again towards the north by a right line running due east to Slaten, on Big River: thence towards the east by that river to the Grey River: thence towards the south-east by Grey River to a point in line with the western boundary of Section No. 8, Block IX., Mawheranui Survey District: thence towards the west generally by a right line to and by the western boundary of the said Section No. 8 to its north-western corner; thence by a right line to Trig. Station SP; thence by a right line to Trig. Station G; and thence by a right line to Trig. Station K, the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold lands, leasehold lands, and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing 34,000 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-east by the Punakaiki River and its left hand branch from the sea to the eastern boundary of Block II., Waiwhero Survey District: thence towards the east generally by the eastern and southern boundaries of the said Block II. to a point due north of Trig. Station N (Waiwhero); thence by a right line running through that trig. station to a point due west of Trig. Station O; thence by a right line to the said Trig. Station O; thence by the summit of the Paparoa Range to Trig. Station K (Waiwhero); thence towards the south by a right line running between that trig. station and Trig. Station H (Cobden) to the eastern boundary of the Grey Coalfield Reserve; thence by that reserve to the sea; and towards the west by the sea to the place of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Nelson Land District, situated in Cobden Survey District, containing 3,000 acres, more or less, bounded by a line commencing at a point on the northern bank of the River Grey, being the northern end of the Cobden Bridge, and proceeding along the said river to its mouth: thence northerly along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Seven-mile Creek; thence along the nearest leading spur to the summit of the Rapahoe Range: thence southerly along that range to the point of commencement: excepting from the above-described area all freehold and leasehold sections and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 13,000 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-east by the Borough of Greymouth from the sea to the Milton Road: towards the east by the said Milton Road to the southern boundary of Section No. 1875: thence towards the north by Sections Nos. 1875 and 1544: towards the east by Section No. 1513 to Saltwater Creek: again towards the north by said Saltwater Creek and Section No. 1510 to its easternmost corner: thence generally towards the west by said Section No. 1510 and Sections Nos. 1551, 1863, 1550, 1546, 1512, 1508, Sawyers' Creek Road, Sections Nos. 1466, 1369, and the Town Belt east of the Borough of Greymouth to Native Reserve No. 31; and thence by said Native Reserve to Trig. Station AW, Arnold Survey District: thence towards the east by a line bearing due south from Trig. Station AW, Arnold Survey District, a distance of about 666 chains: towards the south by a line due west to the Teremakau River, and by the said Teremakau River and Section No. 7497 to the sea-coast: thence towards the north-west by the sea-coast to the place of commencement: exclusive of sold land and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 10,000 acres, more or less, comprising the Stillwater, Maori Gully, Upper New River, and Maori Creek Gold-diggings. Bounded by a line commencing at a point bearing 75° 7', and distant from Trig. Station AD 32 chains; thence extending westerly, at a bearing of 255° 7', through Trig. Station AD aforesaid a distance of 300 chains; thence southerly by a line at right angles with the last-mentioned line for a distance of 200 chains; thence easterly by a line at right angles with the last-mentioned line for a distance of 300 chains; thence northerly at a right angle a distance of 100 chains; thence easterly at a right angle a distance of 100 chains; thence northerly at a right angle to the southern boundary of Coal Reserve No. 274 (in red); thence westerly along the boundary of said Reserve No. 274; and thence southerly along the eastern boundary of Section No. 1599 and a line parallel to the eastern boundary last mentioned: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 1,700 acres, more or less, situated in Hohonu Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the Arnold Survey District; towards the east by the Arnold River and by the road forming the western boundary of the Greymouth Borough Endowment; towards the south-east by a right line bearing south 60° west from the south-west corner of the said Greymouth Borough Endowment, and to the western watershed of the River Arnold; and towards the south-west by the said western watershed of the Arnold River to the

Arnold Survey District aforesaid: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 10,000 acres, more or less, comprising the Cape Terrace, Westbrooke, and Greenstone Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the south-west by the Teremakau River; towards the south by a line bearing $97^{\circ} 52'$ through traverse tube xvi., Pounamu to Teremakau Road, and terminating 142 chains therefrom; towards the east by a line at right angles with last-mentioned boundary, 200 chains; and towards the north by a line parallel to southern boundary: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 3,500 acres, more or less, comprising the Acre Creek and Teremakau Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the north-east by the Teremakau River; towards the south-east by the Kumara Borough Endowment Reserve No. 203 (in red); towards the south-west by the DJ Line Road to Reserve No. 129; thence towards the west generally by Reserve No. 129 and Railway Reserve No. 7 (in red) to Section No. 1999; towards the east by said Section No. 1999 and Section No. 2002; and towards the north by said Section No. 2002: exclusive of sold lands and reserves. Also that piece of land situate in the Borough of Kumara, bounded towards the north-west by Reserve No. 203, Kumara Borough Endowment; towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 1309, 1308, 1307, 1181, 1180, 1179, and 1178; towards the south-east generally by the Zigzag Road, Reserve No. 158, and the Town Belt; west to EB Road; thence towards the south-west by said EB Road: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 5,250 acres, more or less, comprising the Kumara Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the north-east by the Teremakau River; towards the south-east by a line bearing $223^{\circ} 23'$ through traverse-tube xxv., Kumara to Christchurch Road, to the Loopline Road; thence towards the south-west generally by the said Loopline Road to the Reservoir Reserve; thence by the said Reservoir Reserve and the Loopline Road before mentioned to the Greenstone Road; towards the west generally by the said Greenstone Road, Sections Nos. 1851, 1852, and Education Endowment Reserve No. 128 to the Borough of Kumara; thence towards the north-west by the Borough of Kumara: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,500 acres, more or less, comprising the Acre Creek Diggings, situated in the Waimea Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Chesterfield Road; towards the south-east generally by Chesterfield Township and the road from Stafford to Chesterfield; towards the south-west by Mining Reserve, Block II., as described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 62, 27th August, 1891, and the north-eastern boundary-line of that reserve produced to Road and Railway Reserve No. 7; and towards the north-west by Road and Railway Reserve No. 7: exclusive of sold land and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing by admeasurement 5,170 acres, more or less, situated in the Waimea Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east generally by Chesterfield Township, Chesterfield Road, Kapitea Creek, and Little Kapitea Creek; towards the south-west by Mining Reserve, Block II., as described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 62, 27th August, 1891; and towards the north-west by the road from Stafford to Chesterfield: exclusive of sold land and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 9,900 acres, more or less, comprising the Piper's Flat, Kelly's Terrace, Stafford, and Waimea Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the west by the western boundary of Cattle and Commonage Reserve No. 243 to Fox's Creek; thence by Fox's Creek to a line bearing N. $59^{\circ} 8' W.$ from Trig. Station EC; thence by said line a distance of about 329 chains; thence towards the north-west by a line bearing N. $30^{\circ} 52' E.$ through Trig. Station DE 200 chains: thence towards the north-east by a line drawn parallel to the first-mentioned line to the Greenstone Road: thence towards the east by a right line to the junction of the Pipe Line Reserve with the Duffer's Creek Road; thence by the said Duffer's Creek Road to the Christchurch Road: thence towards the south by the Christchurch Road to the Railway Reserve; and thence by the Railway Reserve to the Christchurch Road aforesaid; and thence by that road to the western boundary of Cattle and Commonage Reserve No. 243: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 8,250 acres, comprising the Kanieri, Hauhau, and Bluespur Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the south-east by a line bearing N. $41^{\circ} 10' E.$, and commencing 58 chains distant

from traverse tube lix., Kanieri Lake Road; thence north-easterly through said traverse tube lix., 100 chains; thence north-westerly at a bearing of N. $48^{\circ} 50' W.$ a distance of about 344 chains; thence again towards the south-east by a right line at right angles to the last mentioned line as far as Section No. 1948; thence by said Section No. 1948 and Section No. 1943 to a point on the north-western boundary-line of the latter section in line with the north-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 1303; thence by a right line to the easternmost corner of said Section No. 1303: thence towards the north-west generally by Sections Nos. 1303, 1302, 1727, and 2129 to a point on the south-western boundary-line of the latter section in line with the south-eastern boundary-line of Section No. 1263; thence by a right line to the easternmost corner of the latter section; thence by the south-eastern boundary of said Section No. 1263 to the Paddock Road; thence by the Paddock Road and the Kanieri and Hauhau Road to the Hokitika River: thence generally towards the south-west by said river, the Township of Kanieri, and the road forming the eastern boundary of Sections Nos. 628 and 629 to the Kanieri River; thence by the said Kanieri River to Section No. 1636; thence by said Section No. 1636 and the road separating Sections Nos. 1636 and 1531 to the Kanieri Lake Road; thence by the said Kanieri Lake Road and a line bearing $131^{\circ} 10'$ to the starting-point: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 5,700 acres, more or less, comprising the Woodstock, Eight-mile, Rimu, and Back Lead Diggings. Commencing at a point on the Borough Road east on a bearing of $157^{\circ} 20'$ from Trig. Station EM; thence by a right line on the same bearing to the eastern boundary of the Mahinapua Survey District; thence due south by the aforesaid eastern boundary to the HD Road; thence towards the south-east by a right line to a point 500 chains distant from Trig. Station EM on a bearing of S. $22^{\circ} 40' E.$ from that trig. station; and thence by a right line bearing N. $20^{\circ} 40' E.$ to the Hokitika River; towards the north-east by the said Hokitika River to a Native reserve; thence towards the north-west, again towards the north-east, and again towards the north-west by said Native reserve to Section No. 8238; thence again towards the north-east by said Section No. 8238: and again towards the north-west by Borough Road E: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 5,000 acres, more or less, comprising the Ross, Totara, Redman's and Donoghue's Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the south-west by the northern bank of the Mikonui River; towards the south by a line from Trig. Station D2 to Trig. Station D1 to the Totara River; towards the east, north, and north-west by the said Totara River, Woolhouse Road, Moorehouse Road, and the sea-coast: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 2,000 acres, more or less, comprising the Cedar Creek Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the east by the Totara River; towards the north by a line bearing $111^{\circ} 10'$ through Trig. Station HB, 200 chains; towards the west by a line bearing $201^{\circ} 10'$, 100 chains; and towards the south by a line parallel with the northern boundary to the Totara River aforesaid: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing 3,000 acres, more or less, comprising the Seven-mile Creek and Bald Hill Gold-diggings. Bounded by a line commencing at Trig. Station EK and bearing $41^{\circ} 32'$ to the Teremakau River; thence following the southern bank of said river in an easterly direction; thence southerly at a bearing of $221^{\circ} 32'$ and distant 80 chains from the first-mentioned line to a line from Trig. Station EK to Trig. Station AL; thence south-easterly along such line to Trig. Station AL; thence westerly at a bearing of $265^{\circ} 12'$ to the eastern bank of the Taipo River; and thence northerly along said river; thence easterly distant 60 chains from and parallel to last-mentioned bearing; and thence north-easterly at a bearing of $41^{\circ} 32'$ to the commencing-point: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

All that parcel of land in the Township of Kumara, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 1 rood 20 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 356, 357, 358, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 54, and 736.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Mines.

Warrant exempting Crown Land in the Nelson Land District from the Operation of "The Mining Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by section twenty of "The Mining Act, 1898," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by notice in the *Gazette*, exempt any Crown lands from mining, or from any specified mining purpose, or from that Act or any specified provisions of that Act; and that the lands to which any such notice relates shall be specified therein by words of particular description:

And whereas it is desirable that the land specified in the Schedule hereto should be exempted from mining, or from any specified mining purpose, or from "The Mining Act, 1898," or from any specified provisions of that Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the hereinbefore-in-part-recited Act, and of all powers and authorities in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby exempt the land particularly described in the Schedule hereto from mining, or from any specified mining purpose, or from the operations of "The Mining Act, 1898," or from any specified provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Nelson Land District, situated in Blocks VII., VIII., X., XI., and XII., Tadmor Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the northern boundary of Section No. 1, Block VII., and its production to the Tadmor River; thence towards the east by that river to a point in line with the northern boundary of Section No. 8, Block VII.; thence again towards the north by a right line to and by the northern boundary of the said Section No. 8, and by the northern boundary of Section No. 4, Block VIII.; again towards the east generally by the eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 4, 5, and 6, Block VIII., the eastern boundary of Section No. 11, Block XII., and the eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 2, 3, 24, and 25, Block XI., to the southernmost corner of the last-mentioned section; thence towards the south generally by the southern and western boundaries of the said Section No. 25 to a point in line with the southern boundary of Section No. 27, thence by a right line to and by the southern boundary of that section, by the southern boundary of Section No. 29, across a road, and by the southern boundary of Section No. 31 to the eastern boundary of Block X., and thence by the eastern and southern boundaries of Block X. to the south-western corner of Section No. 7, Block X.; thence towards the west generally by the western boundary of that section to a point in line with the south-western boundary of Section No. 17, thence by a right line to and by that boundary and by the north-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 17, 11, and 8, to a point in line with the western boundary of Section No. 14, thence by a right line to and by that boundary and by the western boundaries of Sections Nos. 15 and 12, Block X., by the north-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 18 and 19, Block X., by the north-western boundary of Section No. 38, Block XI., by the north-western boundaries of Sections Nos. 24, 23, and 25, Block VII., and the western boundaries of Sections Nos. 26, 27, 28, 29, and 1, Block VII., to the northern boundary of the last-mentioned section, the place of commencement.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Warrant exempting Crown Lands from the Operation of "The Mining Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by section twenty of "The Mining Act, 1898," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by notice in the *Gazette*, exempt any Crown lands from mining, or from any specified mining purpose, or from that Act or any specified provisions of

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that Act; and that the lands to which any such notice relates shall be specified therein by words of particular description:

And whereas it is desirable that the lands specified in the Schedule hereto should be exempted from mining, or from any specified mining purpose, or from "The Mining Act, 1898," or from any specified provisions of that Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the hereinbefore-in-part-recited Act, and of all powers and authorities in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby exempt the lands particularly described in the Schedule hereto from mining, or from any specified mining purpose, or from the operations of "The Mining Act, 1898," or from any specified provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Westland Land District, containing by admeasurement 13,000 acres, more or less, situated in Totara, Whitcombe Pass, and Waitaha Survey Districts. Bounded towards the north-east by the Rangitoto Road from the Kakapotahi River to Watershed Saddle, thence by a right line bearing south 18° east to Allen's Creek; thence towards the south by a right line bearing due west 225 chains; thence towards the south-west by a right line bearing north 18° west through Trig. Station H.D., 600 chains; and thence towards the north by a right line bearing due east to the confluence of the Waitaha and Kakapotahi Rivers, and thence by the south bank of the Kakapotahi River to the place of commencement.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Varying Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the owners of the land described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such land contained in Land Transfer certificate of title, Volume Twenty, folio thirty-nine, Auckland Register, may be varied so as to permit the owners to lease the said land: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be varied to allow of the land being leased for twenty-one years:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the fifty-second section of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and in accordance with the recommendation of the Native Land Court, do hereby order and declare that the restrictions imposed by the said Land Transfer certificate of title on the alienation of the said land are hereby varied to the extent that the owners may lease the said land for any period not exceeding twenty-one years.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 4,314 acres, more or less, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, known as Allotment No. 99, Parish of Onewhero, held under Land Transfer certificate of title, Volume 20, folio 39, Auckland Register, in favour of Patoromo Titoko and others, and containing the following restrictions: "Absolutely inalienable by gift, sale, lease, or mortgage."

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

J. CARROLL,
Native Minister.
Approved in Council.
ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Wellington, and Canterbury.

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 Districts of Auckland, Wellington, and Canterbury 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. Purpose for which Land reserved.	Record Number
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.		
Auckland ..	Town of Cambridge East	651 to 658	..	A. R. P. 4 2 7	Paddock for the use of the Stock Department	45134
" ..	Town of Rawene ..	133 to 141	..	2 1 24	Site for reservoir	45530
Wellington..	Town of Mangaweka	9	VI.	0 2 0	Site for public pound	43924
Canterbury	Pareora S.D. (Papakā Settlement)	3531 (in red)	VIII.	1 2 0	Gravel	19218
"	Ditto	3532 (in red)	"	1 0 0	"	"
"	"	3533 (in red)	"	5 0 0	Public-school site	"

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice under "The Foreign Insurance Companies' Deposits Act Amendment Act, 1900."

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the second section of "The Foreign Insurance Companies' Deposits Act Amendment Act, 1900," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby prescribe that for every certificate issued under section 4 of "The Foreign Insurance Companies' Deposits Act, 1894," there shall be paid to the Public Trustee by the foreign company receiving the certificate so to be issued as aforesaid the fee of three guineas.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and one.

J. G. WARD,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

Midland Railway Commission.

Public Works Office, Wellington,
31st January, 1901.

THE following Commission, appointing Commissioners to inquire into and report on certain questions respecting the New Zealand Midland Railway, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

EDWARD THE SEVENTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to our trusty and loving subjects William Fraser, of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, Esquire, M.H.R.; Arthur Morrison, of Dunedin, in the said colony, Esquire, M.H.R.; Roderick McKenzie, of Westport, in the said colony, Esquire, M.H.R.; Charles Hudson, of Wellington, in the said colony, Assistant General Manager of Railways; and Frederick Back, of Hobart, in the Colony of Tasmania, General Manager of Railways of the said colony: Greeting.

WHEREAS during the last session of our Parliament of New Zealand three petitions were presented to the House of Representatives in our said Parliament, the first being the petition of James Hugh Buchanan Coates, the Receiver appointed by the Supreme Court of New Zealand for the debenture-holders of the New Zealand Midland Railway

Company (Limited); the second being the petition of Lord Avebury and others, debenture-holders of the said New Zealand Midland Railway Company (Limited); and the third the petition of the New Zealand Midland Railway Company (Limited), by Norman Howard Maxwell Dalston, its Attorney and General Manager: And whereas the said three petitions were referred by the said House of Representatives to the Public Accounts Committee of the said House, and the said Committee considered the matter of the said petitions and heard evidence thereon, and reported to the said House of Representatives in the terms following:—

"Your Committee has taken evidence and heard counsel on behalf of the petitioners and the Government, but time will not permit it to conclude its investigations this session. Without prejudicing the situation or in any way committing the colony, your Committee deems it advisable that evidence be obtained as to the value as a going concern of those sections of the railway which were completed at the time the Government took possession. This should be done irrespective of any expenditure of moneys in the construction of any portion of the unconstructed portions of the railway. It should be left to the Government to determine as to the best means of taking such evidence during the recess. This could be done either by Royal Commission or otherwise. For the purpose of dealing with these petitions the Committee would ask the House to allow the present petitions to be dealt with by the Committee as petitions of next session. That the evidence so taken during the recess by Royal Commission or otherwise be printed and circulated amongst members of the Public Accounts Committee prior to the opening of next session."

And whereas We have deemed it advisable that a Royal Commission should be issued to obtain the evidence desired by the said Committee of the said House of Representatives, and to ascertain certain facts and valuations which may thereby be more conveniently ascertained:

Now, therefore, know ye that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your zeal, knowledge, and ability, do by these presents constitute and appoint you, the said

WILLIAM FRASER,
ARTHUR MORRISON,
RODERICK MCKENZIE,
CHARLES HUDSON, and
FREDERICK BACK,

to be our Commissioners, and you, the said Arthur Morrison, to be the Chairman of our said Commission, for the purpose of making inquiry into the matters following, that is to say:—

1. The sums actually expended by the said Company in constructing the sections of the said railway from Stillwater

to Reefton and from Brunner to Jackson's, and separately the sums actually expended by the said Company in constructing the section of the railway from Belgrove to Norris's Gully, and the section from Springfield to Patterson's Creek; the sums expended for supervision and in commissions and salaries and in other incidental matters being ascertained separately from the sums expended for actual construction, railway material, and labour.

2. Whether the sums so actually expended exceeded the amount which, with proper economy and supervision, would have been necessary for the due construction and equipment of the said lines of railway.

3. The condition of the permanent-way and rolling-stock and buildings of the said lines of railway at the date when the Governor of our said colony took possession of the same on our behalf.

4. The condition of the said permanent-way, rolling-stock, and buildings at the date when the said lines of railway became legally vested in Us.

5. The annual gross earnings of the lines of railway from Springfield to Patterson's Creek, from Stillwater to Reefton, and from Brunner to Jackson's, during the period ending with the date when the same were taken possession of by the Governor of our said colony on our behalf, and the annual gross earnings of the said lines of railway and the line between Belgrove and Motupiko during the period between that date and the date when the same became legally vested in Us.

6. What part of such annual gross earnings may fairly be estimated to have arisen from the carriage of goods and passengers in connection with the construction of the said lines of railway, or of the portions of railway beyond the limits of the same.

7. The annual cost of working and maintaining the said lines of railway during the said several periods.

8. The selling-value of the said lines of railway from Stillwater to Reefton and from Brunner to Jackson's, treated as a railway equipped and constructed and owned by persons having the running-powers provided by "The Railways Construction and Land Act, 1881," having regard—

(a.) To the net revenue already derived from working the same, excluding revenue under paragraph six of these presents;

(b.) To the prospective increase in net revenue to be derived from increase of population in the neighbourhood and increase of traffic on the said lines, taking into consideration the increase or decrease of revenue from the said lines since they were first opened for traffic, but not taking into consideration and excluding any increase in value or traffic which would or might accrue from the construction by Us of railways continuing or connecting with such line of railway at either end thereof.

9. The value of the said portions of railway from Belgrove to Norris's Gully and from Springfield to Patterson's Creek, estimated in the same manner, but having regard to the fact that they were constructed as continuations of, and are continuations of, lines of railway then existing, and also having regard to the fact that the expense of their construction was borne partly by the Company and partly by the Government of our said colony.

10. The total sum realised by the Company and the said Receiver as the proceeds of the sale of lands granted by Us to the Company pursuant to sections 7 and 8 of "The East and West Coast (Middle Island) and Nelson Railway and Railways Construction Act, 1884," and the present value of such of the said lands granted by Us as have not yet been sold by the said Company or the said Receiver, and the value of the lands provided by Us and upon which the railway is constructed.

11. By what amount the sums so realised and the present value of the lands unsold exceed the aggregate value of the lands granted, as estimated for the purposes of the contract between Us and the said Company, and known as the B1 values.

12. The said lines of railway having been constructed by means of moneys provided partly by the shareholders in the said Company, partly by moneys raised upon debentures, and partly by moneys provided by Us by our said grants of land and out of our Colonial Treasury, in what proportion should the money-value of the said lines of railway, estimated by you as aforesaid, be apportioned among the three said several contributors to the cost of construction.

And for the better enabling you to carry these presents into effect, We do authorise and empower you, or any three of you, to make and conduct any inquiry under these presents at such place or places in our said colony as you may deem expedient, and to call before you such persons as you may judge necessary by whom you may be better informed of the matters herein submitted for your consideration, and also to call for and examine all such books, documents, papers, maps, plans, accounts, or records as you shall judge

likely to afford you the fullest information on the subject of this our Commission, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means.

And our further will and pleasure is that you, or any three of you, do report to Us, under your hands and seals, with as little delay as is consistent with the due discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon you, your opinion on the several matters herein submitted for your consideration, with power to certify unto Us from time to time your several proceedings in respect of any of the matters aforesaid, if it seems expedient for you so to do.

And We do further declare that this our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, our said Commissioners, or any three of you, shall and may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

In testimony whereof We have caused these our letters to be made patent, and the Seal of our said Colony to be hereunto affixed.

Witness our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved Cousin Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Knight Commander of our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over our Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of our said Colony, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and one, in the first year of our reign. RANFURLY.

Approved in Council.
ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Trustees for the Swinburn Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Samuel Harris, Alexander Pearson, John Fletcher, Robert Logan, and Robert Scott.	SWINBURN. All that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 1 rood 35 perches, more or less, being Section No. 21, Block VII., Swinburn Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road; towards the south by Section No. 11; and towards the north-west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 18th January, 1901.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ERNEST LAURENCE SCOTT

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Malvern, vice Henry Poynton Bridge, on and from the 18th January, 1901. J. G. WARD.

Returning Officer for Native Licensing District appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable CHARLES O'REILLY

to be Returning Officer for the Native Licensing District of Waioeka, vice J. M. Roberts, Esq., N.Z.C., S.M.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Justice.

Members of the Lyttelton and Heathcote Recreation Trust appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, in pursuance of section 6 of "The Lyttelton and Heathcote Recreation Ground Act, 1877," to appoint

EDWIN COXHEAD MOULDEY and
EDMUND WILKINSON

to be members of the Lyttelton and Heathcote Recreation Trust, in the place of the Hon. George Buckley, who has left the district, and John Joyce, deceased.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Member of Nelson Land Board appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JAMES MARSHALL

to be a member of the Land Board of the Land District of Nelson.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Member of Marlborough Land Board appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 5th February, 1901.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN DUNCAN

to be a member of the Land Board of the Land District of Marlborough.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Member of Marlborough Land Board appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 5th February, 1901.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREEBORN PARSONS

to be a member of the Land Board of the Land District of Marlborough.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

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 PATRICK CASSIDY.	The Middle Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Eketahuna County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

EKETAHUNA COUNTY.

THE following is the result of a poll taken at the County Offices, Eketahuna, on the 26th day of January, 1901, upon a proposal to raise a loan of £400, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and its amendments, for the purpose of metalling and deviation on part of Central Mangaone Road West (No. 1):—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 10; number of pollable votes, 10; Number of ratepayers who voted for the proposal, 7; number of ratepayers who voted against the proposal, 2; number of ratepayers who did not exercise their votes, 1.

As the number of ratepayers who voted and the number of votes recorded were in each case a majority (the latter more than three-fifths of the valid votes recorded) in favour of the proposal, I therefore declare the proposal carried.

THOS. PARSONS,
Eketahuna, 28th January, 1901. Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Pahiatua County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

PAHIATUA COUNTY.

Proposed Loan No. 58.—Chatham Street, &c.

THE following is the result of a poll taken on 16th January, 1901, on a proposal to borrow £250, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and its amendments, for the purpose of continuing the borough drain through Lots 178, 181, 182, 184, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 23, parts Section 28, Block VIII., Mangahao; and for the formation and metalling of Chatham Street from the main road to the by-road leading to Mr. O. Cooper's property (about 27 chains).

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 17, representing 17 votes: Voted in favour, 11; informal, 1; votes not recorded, 5.

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

R. SMITH,
17th January, 1901. County Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Taieri County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

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

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

SOUTH TAIERI SPECIAL RATING DISTRICT.—TAIERI COUNTY.

NOTICE of result of poll of ratepayers on the proposal to raise a loan of £5,777 for works and undertakings within the South Taieri Special Rating District, and for costs of raising the loan and contingencies:—

I, James Harrison, Chairman of the Taieri County Council, pursuant to section 39 of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," hereby notify that at the poll taken on the 24th January, 1901, in reference to the above-mentioned proposal,—

The number of valid votes recorded for the proposal was 82; and the number of valid votes recorded against the proposal was 43.

And I hereby declare the resolution in favour of the said proposal to be carried.

Dated this 25th day of January, 1901.

JAMES HARRISON,
Chairman.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Borough of the City of Dunedin, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900."

J. CARROLL,
For Colonial Secretary.

CITY OF DUNEDIN.

PURSUANT to the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," I, the undersigned, Robert Chisholm, Mayor of the City of Dunedin, hereby give you notice that a poll of the electors of the said city was taken on the 21st day of January, 1901, upon the proposal set forth at the foot hereof, and the resolution in favour of the same was duly carried, and I send you herewith the statutory declaration of compliance with the said Acts.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1901.

R. CHISHOLM,
Mayor.

To the Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

Proposal.

(a.) It is proposed to carry out an existing agreement to purchase and acquire from the City and Suburban Tramways Company (Limited) all the tramways owned by it, situate in the City of Dunedin and the Boroughs of North-east Valley, Caversham, South Dunedin, and St. Kilda and elsewhere in the suburban districts, as described in the above-mentioned "Dunedin City and Suburban Tramways Act, 1900," together with all the plant, appliances, stores, and other property, real and personal, comprised in the said company's undertaking and described in the said agreement, at the price of £46,128.

(b.) It is proposed to exercise the borrowing-powers which are conferred upon the Corporation of Dunedin by the said Act by borrowing the sum of £200,000 for the purpose of completing the said purchase, and for the further purposes of—(1) Extending, altering, renewing, and repairing the said tramways; (2) of introducing such system or systems of traction, including the use of electricity as a motive-power, as the Council may think best and as may be lawfully used; and (3) for any purpose or purposes connected with the execution of the powers conferred by the said Act: and to this end to acquire water-rights in the Taieri County and elsewhere; to construct weirs, races, and appliances for generating, conducting, and applying electric power; to pay compensation which may become payable, and purchase all such plant and appliances as may appear requisite.

(c.) The security for the said loan, in addition to the general indebtedness of the City of Dunedin, shall be the net profits of the whole of the tramways and property aforesaid to be acquired under the provisions hereof.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," and of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," and of "The Dunedin City and Suburban Tramways Act, 1900."

I, Robert Chisholm, Mayor of the City of Dunedin, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—

1. That on the 21st day of January, 1901, a poll of the electors of the City of Dunedin was taken upon a proposal to borrow the sum of £200,000 by way of special loan, for the purpose of purchasing and acquiring the tramway property presently owned by the Dunedin City and Suburban Tramways Company (Limited), and for the further purposes set forth in the said proposal.

2. The said proposal was as follows:—

(a.) It is proposed to carry out an existing agreement to purchase and acquire from the City and Suburban Tramways Company (Limited) all the tramways owned by it, situate in the City of Dunedin and the Boroughs of North-east Valley, Caversham, South Dunedin, and St. Kilda and elsewhere in the suburban districts, as described in the above-mentioned "Dunedin City and Suburban Tramways Act, 1900," together with all the plant, appliances, stores, and other property, real and personal, comprised in the said company's undertaking and described in the said agreement, at the price of £46,128.

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(c.) The security for the said loan, in addition to the general indebtedness of the City of Dunedin, shall be the net profits of the whole of the tramways and property aforesaid to be acquired under the provisions hereof.

3. All proceedings required by law to be taken in or towards obtaining the sanction of the electors of the said city to the said proposal were duly taken, and the resolution in favour of the said proposal has been duly carried.

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

R. CHISHOLM.

Declared at Dunedin, this 26th day of January, 1901, before me—J. Robin, J.P.

Notice to Mariners No. 5 of 1901.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

VICTORIA.—PORT OF PORT PHILLIP.—ALTERATION IN NUMBERING OF BUOYS, WEST CHANNEL.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners dated 9th November, 1900, and to General Notice to Mariners dated 1st June, 1898; page 67, it is hereby notified that the following changes in the numbering and designation of the West Channel buoys will be made on the 14th February, 1901:—

PORT-HAND BUOYS.—Port-hand buoys will be numbered 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9. The new can buoy placed on the Swanspit in lieu of the present Swanspit gas buoy will be known as No. 3, and the black can buoys at present known as Nos. 3, 5, and 7 becoming respectively Nos. 5, 7, and 9.

MIDDLE-GROUND BUOYS.—The gas buoys marking the south-west and north-east ends of the Royal George Shoal will be middle-ground buoys, and will be painted in horizontal stripes of white colour. The buoy at the south-west end of the shoal now known as No. 2 Channel gas buoy will be known as No. 1 Royal George gas buoy, and the gas buoy at the north-east end of the shoal will be known as No. 2 Royal George gas buoy.

STARBOARD-HAND BUOYS.—The numbering of the starboard-hand buoys to remain as heretofore, the gas beacon erected on the Pope's Eye annulus being known as No. 2 gas beacon.

Charts affected: Admiralty Charts 1171A and 2747A.

Departmental Chart of West Channel.

Sailing Directions to be observed on and after 15th February, 1901.

In connection with the above, and referring to Notice to Mariners dated 9th November, 1900, and to General Notice to Mariners dated 1st June, 1898, page 68, the following amended directions for the navigation of the West Channel are published for general information:—

DIRECTIONS FROM SEAWARDS.—BY DAY.—Those in charge of vessels having made Port Phillip Heads, and bound through the West Channel, should steer from the fairway between Points Lonsdale and Nepean, to pass between the Royal George No. 1 gas buoy and the gas beacon on the Pope's Eye annulus at the southern entrance to the channel, and thence between the channel buoys, taking care to avoid the shoal patch of 17 ft. lying south $3\frac{1}{2}$ cables from the Pile Light-house.

BY NIGHT.—Those in charge of vessels from seaward, and bound through the West Channel at night, should on losing the Point Lonsdale red light leave the line of leading lights, and steer N.E. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. to pass to the north-westward of the white occulting light on the Pope's Eye annulus at the southern entrance to the channel, thence steer to pass a cable to the eastward of the fixed red light of the Royal George No. 2 gas buoy at the north-eastern end of the Royal George bank. After passing the Royal George No. 2 fixed red light steer N. by E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. until abreast of the white fixed light of No. 12 gas buoy, then steer as desired to the northward or southward of the 17 ft. patch lying south $3\frac{1}{2}$ cables from the West Channel Pile Light-house.

DIRECTIONS OUTWARDS.—BY DAY.—Those in charge of vessels leaving for sea, and bound through the West Channel, should after passing No. 3 black can buoy keep the channel westward of the Royal George Shoal, passing the Royal George No. 2 buoy 2 cables off on the port side of the vessel, and thence midway between No. 1 black can buoy and Royal George No. 1 gas buoy for the fairway between Port Phillip Heads.

BY NIGHT.—Those in charge of vessels leaving for sea, and bound through the West Channel, should steer to pass to the eastwards of the West Channel Pile light. Having entered the sector of red light shown from the Pile light,

those in charge of vessels should not lose it until the white fixed light of the No. 12 gas buoy bears no further west than S.W. by S.; then steer if necessary to avoid the 17 ft. shoal lying 3½ cables south from the Pile light, and pass the white fixed light of No. 12 gas buoy 1 cable off on the port side; thence steer S. by W. ¼ W. until entering the sector of red light shown from the Low Lighthouse, and keep within the same, passing the fixed red light of the Royal George No. 2 gas buoy 2 cables off on the port side of the vessel, and the red occulting light of the Royal George No. 1 gas buoy a cable off on the port side of the vessel; thence steer S.W. ¼ W. for the line of leading lights in the fairway, between Port Phillip Heads.

WARNING BY RED SECTOR FROM WEST CHANNEL PILE LIGHT.—Those in charge of vessels navigating Port Phillip Bay, and getting into the sector of red light shown from the West Channel Pile light between the bearings of S. 80° W. round northerly to N. 77° W., will be warned by losing such red light to the southward of their near approach to the entrance banks, and should therefore keep such red light in view until assured of their position.

C. W. MACLEAN,
Port Officer.

Department of Ports and Harbours,
Melbourne, 10th January, 1901.

Notice to Mariners No. 6 of 1901.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 22 of 1900, published by this department on the 15th May, 1900, the following notice, received from the Marine Board, Port Adelaide, South Australia, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—APPROACH TO SPENCER GULF AND INVESTIGATOR STRAIT, NEPTUNE ISLANDS.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 1, dated 9th April, 1900, mariners are hereby informed that the proposed light on the South Neptune Island, at the approach to Spencer Gulf and Investigator Strait, will in all probability be exhibited about 1st October, 1901.

A further notice, giving full particulars as to the character of the light, actual date of illumination, &c., will be issued as early as possible.

This affects Admiralty Chart No. 2389.

THOS. N. STEPHENS,
President, Marine Board.

Marine Board Offices, Port Adelaide,
8th January, 1901.

Notice to Mariners No. 7 of 1901.

HONGKONG.—FOG-SIGNAL, WAGLAN LIGHTHOUSE.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 5th February, 1901.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Harbour Department, Hongkong, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

On and after the 1st July, 1901, the fog-signal from Waglan Lighthouse will be two guns fired at an interval of fifteen seconds every twelve minutes during the continuance of fog.

BASIL TAYLOR,
Acting Harbourmaster, &c.

Harbour Department, Hongkong,
5th December, 1900.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," and of all other powers and authorities me hereto enabling, and in terms of notice in writing duly received by me from the Chairman of the Conference of Delegates of all the local authorities comprised in the district constituted for the purposes of that Act by the Boroughs of the City of Dunedin, St. Kilda, South Dunedin, Caversham, Mornington, Roslyn, Maori Hill, North-east Valley, West Harbour, and Port Chalmers (being all the boroughs or town districts any part of any one of which is situate within a mile of any part of another), I, William Hall-Jones, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, hereby appoint Wednesday to be the day on which all shops in the said district shall be closed as provided by that Act.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1901.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

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

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

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by the said Act, I, William Hall-Jones, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, do hereby appoint that the said respective days shall be the days upon which all shops within the said respective districts shall be closed.

SCHEDULE.

Papakura	Tuesday.
Cambridge	Wednesday.
Campbelltown	"
Devonport	"
Green Island	"
Hawksbury	"
Kaitangata	"
Kihikihiki	"
Motueka	"
Onehunga	"
Palmerston South	"
Ross	"
Rotorua	"
Carterton	Thursday.
Featherston	"
Inglewood	"
Te Awamutu	"
Timaru	"
Waimate	"

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Labour.

Russian Ukaz partially relieving certain Wine from Duty.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

THE following despatch from the Colonial Office is published for general information.

C. H. MILLS,
Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Colonial Office, Downing Street, S.W.,
5th December, 1900.

SIR,—In continuation of the letter from this department of the 10th October, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Chamberlain to transmit to you, for your information, a transcript of the text, as published in the Russian Bulletin of Laws No. 114 of the 3rd-16th of October, 1900, of the imperial ukaz relieving wine of an alcoholic strength of 13 degrees and less from the additional duty established by the ukaz of July 21st-August 3rd last.

I am, &c.,
H. BERTRAM COX.

The Agent-General for New Zealand.

[Translation from the Russian.]

[From the Bulletin of Laws No. 114, of the 3rd-16th October, 1900.]

IMPERIAL UKAZ TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE.

RECOGNISING the necessity of exempting wine made of the juice of the grape and from berries, and imported in barrels and kegs, of an alcoholic strength of 13 degrees and less, from the additional duty established by our ukaz of the 21st July last, under section 28, point 1, of the Customs tariff for European trade, we ordain that this measure be carried into effect from the day of receipt by the Customs establishments of the orders of the Minister of Finance relating thereto.

St. Petersburg, 17th October, 1900.

Declarations to accompany Skins, Hides, Wool, &c., imported into the Colony of New South Wales.—Notice No. 624.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, N.Z., 5th February, 1901.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Government of New South Wales requires declarations and certificates (similar to those used in the case of live-stock) to accompany all future imports of skins, hides, wool, &c., from New Zealand.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Resignation of Assistant Lecturer and Instructor at Thames School of Mines accepted.

Mines Department,
Wellington, 5th February, 1901.

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

WILLIAM HENRY BAKER, Esq.,

as Assistant Lecturer and Instructor at the Thames School of Mines, as from the 31st January, 1901.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Mines.

Bonus for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,
Wellington, 7th June, 1900.

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

1. That at least one-third of the quantity is produced on or before the 31st March, 1903, and the remaining two-thirds on or before the 31st March, 1904.

2. No bonus will be payable until the whole of the one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced as stipulated to the satisfaction of an officer to be appointed by the Minister of Mines, and on whose certificate alone the bonus will be paid.

3. In the event of more than one person producing the required quantities of quicksilver before the dates named, inquiry will be made by the officer above referred to, when, if it is found that each applicant is equally entitled to a bonus, the amount will be divided in proportion to the quantities produced by each applicant, but in no case shall any bonus be paid until at least one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lb.) of quicksilver has been produced in the aggregate.

JAMES MCGOWAN,
Minister of Mines.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 5th February, 1901.

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.

Annie Hall, otherwise known as Anne Hall, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, hotel-keeper. Filed on the 31st day of January, 1901.

James Banfield, late of Moana, in the Provincial District of Westland, sawmill-hand. Filed on the 29th day of January, 1901.

Robert Mutch, late of Addington, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, railway servant. Filed on the 1st day of February, 1901.

Hanna Raffoul, late of Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, hawker. Filed on the 1st day of February, 1901.

George Henry Green, late of Blackball, in the Provincial District of Westland, coal-miner. Filed on the 4th day of February, 1901.

David Scott, late of Branches, Upper Shotover, in the Provincial District of Otago, rabbitier. Filed on the 4th day of February, 1901.

John Darragh, late of Rotorua, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on the 4th day of February, 1901.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

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

WHEREAS I, the undersigned, the Public Trustee, have, for the purposes of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894," made due inquiries with respect to the land described in the Schedule hereunder written, and the owner thereof, and have, in respect of the said land, given the notices prescribed by section 4 of the said Act, and have in all respects complied with the provisions of the said section: And whereas I have not thereby ascertained who the owner is, and believe that such owner is

not in the colony, nor has such owner established his title to the said land, as required by the said Act: I hereby give notice that the said land is, under and by virtue of the said Act, vested in me, as the Public Trustee as aforesaid, as from the date of the publication hereof, and will be administered under the said Act, the assessed value of the said land being less than £100.

Dated at Wellington, this 6th day of February, 1901.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 40 acres, more or less, being that part of Allotment 6, Parish of Ruatangata, in the Provincial District of Auckland, of which Henry Cox Bury's name appears on the Deeds Registry as owner.

"The Urewera District Native Reserve Act, 1896."

New Plymouth, 6th February, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners appointed under "The Urewera District Native Reserve Act, 1896," will sit at Te Houhi, on Wednesday, the 20th instant, to inquire as to what people are entitled to lands within the boundaries described in "The Urewera District Native Reserve Act, 1896," and "The Urewera District Native Reserve Act Amendment Act, 1900."

S. PERCY SMITH,
Chairman.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

THE Star of Waiuku Lodge, No. 55, situated at Waiuku, is registered as a branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Friendly Society, under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," this 4th day of February, 1901.

CHARLES T. BENZONI,
Deputy Registrar of Friendly Societies.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1900.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	713,598	16	6
Bills in circulation	.. ..	19,623	7	6
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	18,793	18	9
Government deposits	.. ..	766,813	2	8
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	2,947,721	18	8
Bearing interest	.. ..	3,436,675	18	3
Total average liabilities	.. ..	£7,903,227	2	4

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal	.. ..	893,369	12	5
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	78,251	3	4
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	34,566	12	4
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	950	0	4
Landed property	.. ..	117,088	12	3
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	813,782	13	10
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	603,181	5	0
3. Other funded securities	.. ..		
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	3,250,404	17	8
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	1,646,328	5	9
Total average assets	.. ..	£7,437,873	2	11

4-per-cent. guaranteed stock, £2,000,000. (Interest, £40,000 per six months, paid November last.)
Capital payable by shareholders, £500,000.
Reserve fund, £23,474 7s. 4d.

Dated at Wellington, this 21st day of January, 1901.

JAMES EMBLING, General Manager.
RICHD. W. GIBBS, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the amount of the average Liabilities and Assets of the Union Bank of Australia, Limited, at the Branches in the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1900.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation .. .. .	..	182,061	7	1
Bills in circulation .. .. .	..	5,822	16	0
Balances due to other Banks .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Government deposits .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest .. .. .	..	981,718	15	11
Bearing interest .. .. .	..	1,256,149	6	2
Total average liabilities .. .. .	..	£2,375,752	5	2

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal .. .. .	..	603,958	12	9
Gold and silver in bullion or bars .. .. .	..	2,149	16	6
Notes and bills of other Banks .. .. .	..	1,576	0	0
Balances due from other Banks .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Landed property .. .. .	..	71,732	7	9
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted .. .. .	..	188,070	9	5
2. Colonial Government securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
3. Other funded securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad) .. .. .	..	1,375,338	17	2
5. Securities not included under the above heads .. .. .	..	70,876	5	10
Total average assets .. .. .	..	£2,313,702	9	5

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st December, 1900, £1,500,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 7 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared, £52,500.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £872,364 10s. 9d.

Dated at Wellington, this 16th day of January, 1901.

G. E. TOLHURST, Inspector.
GEO. H. MEE, Chief Clerk.

GENERAL ABSTRACT showing the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, in the Colony of New Zealand, taken from the several weekly statements during the Quarter from the 1st October to the 31st December, 1900.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation .. .. .	..	108,018	11	5
Bills in circulation .. .. .	..	9,808	1	1
Balances due to other Banks .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Government deposits .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest .. .. .	..	657,529	8	10
Bearing interest .. .. .	..	645,279	11	7
Total average liabilities .. .. .	..	£1,420,635	12	11

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal .. .. .	..	299,310	18	10
Gold and silver in bullion or bars .. .. .	..	2,809	17	2
Notes and bills of other Banks .. .. .	..	3,193	6	2
Balances due from other Banks .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Landed property .. .. .	..	62,211	7	8
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted .. .. .	..	297,825	17	4
2. Colonial Government securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
3. Other funded securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad) .. .. .	..	1,663,717	18	3
5. Securities not included under the above heads .. .. .	..	2,300	4	5
Total average assets .. .. .	..	£2,331,369	9	10

Amount of the capital stock paid up at this date, £1,600,000.
Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 9 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared, £72,000.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £887,570.

Dated at Wellington, this 11th day of January, 1901.

G. WINTER, Inspector.
JNO. A. MACLEOD, *pro* Accountant.

STATEMENT of the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New South Wales, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1900.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation .. .. .	..	144,347	5	8
Bills in circulation .. .. .	..	5,172	0	3
Balances due to other Banks .. .. .	..	3,191	4	6
Government deposits .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest .. .. .	..	912,427	4	8
Bearing interest .. .. .	..	1,555,056	5	3
Total average liabilities .. .. .	..	£2,620,194	0	4

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal .. .. .	..	464,942	16	8
Gold and silver in bullion or bars .. .. .	..	29,639	14	0
Notes and bills of other Banks .. .. .	..	3,661	0	0
Balances due from other Banks .. .. .	..	13,228	6	6
Landed property .. .. .	..	95,349	8	8
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted .. .. .	..	254,584	15	2
2. Colonial Government securities .. .. .	..	67,963	9	8
3. Other funded securities .. .. .	..	63,988	7	11
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad) .. .. .	..	1,956,220	7	6
5. Securities not included under the above heads .. .. .	..	145,064	9	6
Total average assets .. .. .	..	£3,094,642	15	7

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st December, 1900, £2,000,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 10 per cent.

Amount of last dividend declared, £100,000.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £1,250,000.

Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of January, 1901.

ALOYSIUS MACDONALD, for Inspector.
J. S. CAMPBELL, Inspector's Accountant.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the National Bank of New Zealand, Limited, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1900.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation .. .. .	..	219,680	4	5
Bills in circulation .. .. .	..	5,135	6	7
Balances due to other Banks .. .. .	..	17,641	3	9
Government deposits .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest .. .. .	..	1,013,983	1	4
Bearing interest .. .. .	..	1,252,276	8	0
Total average liabilities .. .. .	..	£2,508,716	4	1

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal .. .. .	..	396,625	4	8
Gold and silver in bullion or bars .. .. .	..	31,174	4	2
Notes and bills of other Banks .. .. .	..	3,503	3	8
Balances due from other Banks .. .. .	..	7,310	17	8
Landed property .. .. .	..	88,256	11	8
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted .. .. .	..	265,344	5	3
2. Colonial Government securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
3. Other funded securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad) .. .. .	..	1,770,800	16	6
5. Securities not included under the above heads .. .. .	..	11,725	0	11
Total average assets .. .. .	..	£2,574,740	4	6

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st December, 1900, £250,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 8 per cent., and 1 per cent. bonus.

Amount of the last dividend declared (including bonus), £12,500.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £100,009.

Dated at Wellington, this 16th day of January, 1901.

JAMES COATES,
General Manager.

STATEMENT of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the under-mentioned BANKS in the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND for the QUARTER ended 31st December, 1900.

LIABILITIES.

BANKS.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Government.	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand	713,598 16 6	19,623 7 6	18,793 18 9	766,813 2 8	2,947,721 18 8	3,436,675 18 3	7,903,227 2 4
Union Bank of Australia, Limited	132,061 7 1	5,822 16 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	981,718 15 11	1,256,149 6 2	2,375,752 5 2
Bank of New South Wales	144,347 5 8	5,172 0 3	3,191 4 6	.. .. .	912,427 4 8	1,555,056 5 3	2,620,194 0 4
Bank of Australasia	108,018 11 5	9,808 1 1	.. .. .	.. .. .	657,529 8 10	645,279 11 7	1,420,635 12 11
National Bank of New Zealand, Limited	219,680 4 5	5,135 6 7	17,641 3 9	.. .. .	1,013,983 1 4	1,252,276 8 0	2,508,716 4 1
Totals	1,317,706 5 1	45,561 11 5	39,626 7 0	766,813 2 8	6,513,380 9 5	8,145,437 9 3	16,828,525 4 10

ASSETS.

BANKS.	Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals.	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted.	Colonial Government Securities.	Other Funded Securities.	Debts due to Bank, exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad.	Securities not included under other Heads.	Total Assets.	
											£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Bank of New Zealand	893,369 12 5	78,251 3 4	34,566 12 4	950 0 4	117,088 12 3	813,782 13 10	603,131 5 0	.. .. .	3,250,404 17 8	1,646,328 5 9	7,437,873 2 11
Union Bank of Australia, Limited	603,958 12 9	2,149 16 6	1,576 0 0	.. .. .	71,732 7 9	188,070 9 5	.. .. .	.. .. .	1,375,338 17 2	70,876 5 10	2,313,702 9 5
Bank of New South Wales	464,942 16 8	29,639 14 0	3,661 0 0	13,228 6 6	95,349 8 8	254,584 15 2	67,963 9 8	63,988 7 11	1,956,220 7 6	145,064 9 6	3,094,642 15 7	
Bank of Australasia	299,310 18 10	2,809 17 2	3,193 6 2	.. .. .	62,211 7 8	297,825 17 4	.. .. .	.. .. .	1,663,717 18 3	2,300 4 5	2,331,369 9 10
National Bank of New Zealand, Limited	396,625 4 8	31,174 4 2	3,503 3 8	7,310 17 8	88,256 11 8	265,344 5 3	.. .. .	.. .. .	1,770,800 16 6	11,725 0 11	2,574,740 4 6
Totals	2,658,207 5 4	144,024 15 2	246,500 2 2	21,489 4 6	434,638 8 0	1,819,608 1 0	671,094 14 8	63,988 7 11	10,016,482 17 1	1,876,294 6 5	17,752,328 2 3	

CAPITAL AND PROFITS.

BANKS.	Capital paid up.	Rate per Annum of Last Dividend.				Amount of Last Dividend declared.	Amount of Reserved Profits at Time of declaring such Dividend.
	£					£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand—							
4-per-cent. stock guaranteed by the Government of N.Z. ..	2,000,000	Four per cent.	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	40,000 0 0	23,474 7 4
Capital payable by shareholders	500,000	Nil .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Union Bank of Australia, Limited	1,500,000	Seven per cent.	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	52,500 0 0	872,364 10 9
Bank of New South Wales	2,000,000	Ten per cent.	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	100,000 0 0	1,250,000 0 0
Bank of Australasia	1,600,000	Nine per cent.	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	72,000 0 0	887,570 0 0
National Bank of New Zealand, Limited	250,000	Eight per cent., and 1 per cent. bonus	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	12,500 0 0	100,009 0 0

The Treasury, Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

JAS. B. HEYWOOD, Secretary to the Treasury.

Officiating Ministers for 1901.—Notice No. 5.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

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 late Majesty Queen Victoria, and intituled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

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

The Venerable John Palmer, B.D.

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

The Reverend Henry B. Gray.

Salvation Army.

Staff-Captain Ebenezer Bishop.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Officiating Ministers for 1901.—Notice No. 6.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

IN accordance with request from the ecclesiastical head of the Primitive Methodist Connexion, the under-mentioned names have been withdrawn from the List of Officiating Ministers in connection with that religious body, under "The Marriage Act, 1880," for the year 1901:—

The Reverend—
Barnett, Samuel.
Boys, Frederick W.
Merrett, John B.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Bankruptcy Notices.

THE public are informed that extracts from the *New Zealand Gazette*, containing all Bankruptcy Notices that appear in each issue, are published weekly, and will be sent post-free to any address on payment of a subscription of 10s. per annum. Single copies, 3d. each. Orders should be addressed and subscriptions made payable to

JOHN MACKAY,
Government Printer.

Crown Lands Notices.

Land in Blind River Estate, Marlborough, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 30th January, 1901.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands in the Blind River Estate are now open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim. If more than one application be received for the same allotment on the same day, then priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—CLIFFORD BAY SURVEY DISTRICT.—BLIND RIVER ESTATE.

SECTIONS 10, 11, 29A, Block XII.: 560 acres; half-yearly rent, £40 12s. Weighted with £261 18s., valuation for improvements.

Two hundred acres flat, and low hills (ploughable), remainder pastoral country. About twenty miles from Blenheim by the Redwood Pass Road. Altitude, from 10 ft. to 300 ft. The improvements consist of house, hut, stable, and cob dairy, 358 chains of fencing, and 10 acres in grass.

Sections 26, 27, 28, 29B, Block XII.: 935 acres; half-yearly rent, £71 18s. 8d. Weighted with £441 5s. 5d., valuation for improvements.

Twenty acres level and undulating agricultural land, 106 acres flat with patches of good soil, 18 acres lagoons, remainder pastoral country. About twenty-two miles from Blenheim by the Redwood Pass Road. Altitude, from 10 ft. to 300 ft. The improvements consist of two houses, well, pump and pipes, outbuildings, yards, 46 chains of drains, 72 acres of grass, and 344 chains fencing.

One half-year's rent, and £1 1s. lease-fee, must accompany each application.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Limehills Township, Southland Land District, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 6th December, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be offered for sale for cash by public auction, at this office, on Wednesday, the 6th March, 1901, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—LIMEHILLS TOWNSHIP.
Village Land.

Block.	Section.	Area.			Upset Price.		
		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
I.	..	1	3	0	17	10	0
III.	13	0	1	0	2	10	0
V.	9	0	1	5	2	16	3
"	10	0	1	5	2	16	3
"	11	0	1	6	2	17	6
"	14	0	1	5	2	16	3
VIII.	7	0	1	0	2	10	0
"	8	0	1	10	3	2	6
XI.	6	0	1	26	4	2	6
"	7	0	2	0	5	0	0
"	8	0	1	24	4	0	0
"	9	0	1	38	4	17	6
"	10	0	2	0	5	0	0
"	11	0	1	20	3	15	0
XIII.	14	0	1	0	2	10	0
XX.	1	2	1	25	24	1	3
"	2	2	1	25	24	1	3
XXII.	11	0	2	0	5	0	0
XXIX.	11	0	2	20	6	5	0
"	12	0	2	20	6	5	0
XXX.	1 to 6 and 15 (grouped)	2	1	31	24	8	9
"	7	0	2	0	5	0	0
"	8	0	2	0	5	0	0
"	13	0	2	0	5	0	0
"	14	0	2	0	5	0	0
XXXII.	2	5	0	0	25	0	0

Block I. is burdened with £40, valuation for buildings. Sections 1 to 6 and 15, Block XXX., are burdened with £40, valuation for buildings.

One-fifth of the purchase-money, together with valuation for improvements, must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance, with Crown-grant fee of £1, within thirty days, or the deposit will be forfeited.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 5th December, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application on and after Monday, the 11th February, 1901, at the half-yearly rental stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—KAIKOURA COUNTY.—WHERNSIDE AND PUHUPUHI SURVEY DISTRICTS.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

S.G. Run.	Area.			Rent per Acre.			Half-yearly Rent.		
	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
No. 99	3,582	0	0	0	6	44	15	6	

All open country, except a few patches of light bush, mostly ngaio. There is a strip of ploughable land, averaging 5 chains wide, along the main road. About 1,000 acres shingle and steep rocky faces, very broken; remainder low limestone hills covered with tussock, fern, and scrub; good sheep country. Excellent homestead-site; small cottage; 210 chains boundary-fence, 245 chains interior fence; well watered; altitude, sea-level to 1,126 ft.; fronts on Main South Road. About sixty miles from Blenheim, and thirty-five miles from Kaikoura. Weighted with £31 10s., value of cottage and fences in the vicinity.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Totara and Rimu Timber, Taranaki Survey District, for Sale by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 10th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that timber on the under-mentioned Crown lands, containing about 750,000 superficial feet, in Taranaki Survey District, will be offered for sale by public auction, in one lot, at the Public Hall, Eketahuna, on Thursday, the 7th March, 1901, at 2.30 p.m.

SCHEDULE.

Section 1, Block IV., Taranaki District; 201 acres 2 roods.

Totara (first class): About 237 trees, containing about 167,000 superficial feet.

Totara (second class): About 148 trees, containing about 83,000 superficial feet.

Rimu: About 500,000 superficial feet.

Upset price, £333 10s.

TERMS OF SALE.

The timber is offered subject to the provisions of "The State Forests Act, 1885," and of the regulations made thereunder.

The purchaser shall pay the purchase-money in cash or by marked cheque in three equal instalments—one-third, and £1 ls. license-fee, being deposited on the fall of the hammer, one-third within six months thereafter, and the remaining one-third within twelve months from date of sale.

The purchaser shall have the sole use of the land contained in license, and the right to cut and remove the timber thereon noted in above Schedule, during a period of two years from the date of sale.

Plans containing full particulars may be obtained at the principal post-offices in the district, and at this office.

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

Small Grazing-run, Taranaki, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 23rd January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application on Tuesday, the 26th February, 1901, at the half-yearly rental stated. In the event of more than one application being received on the same day, the right to selection will be decided by ballot on the following day at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—STRAITFORD AND PATEA COUNTIES.—TAURAKAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
3	V.	2,125 0 0	0 3-6	15 18 9

Rough and broken country, heavily timbered with tawai, rata, rimu, tawa, &c., with dense undergrowth. All pastoral country, the soil being poor, resting upon a formation of papa, and well watered; the streams lie mostly in gorges. The height of hills above streams is about 1,000 ft. Distant from Waitotara about fifty miles, by way of the Waitotara Valley Road, which is formed as a dray-road to within about eleven miles of the block. Access may also be had from Eltham, via the Rawhitiroa Road, distant about fifty-two miles, twenty of which have been opened for dray traffic, eleven miles being metalled; the remainder of the Rawhitiroa Road has been opened for horse traffic to its junction with the Waitotara Valley Road.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 5th December, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be offered by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Tuesday, the 12th day of February, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

PASTORAL LICENSES UNDER PART VI., "LAND ACT, 1892."
Blue Mountain Survey District.

Run No. 147 (Class II.): 1,100 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £15. Weighted with £37, valuation for improvements, consisting of fencing. Possession will be given on 1st March, 1901.

Avon, Taylor Pass, Blue Mountain, and Hodder Survey Districts.

Run No. 148 (Class I.): 10,650 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £70. Weighted with £188, valuation for improvements, consisting of fencing. Possession will be given on 1st March, 1901.

One half-year's rent, and £1 ls. lease-fee, must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the usual declaration furnished.

Description of Land.

Run No. 147: High, mountainous, rocky country; bare of vegetation on summit of ranges. Lower hills and slopes covered with tussock, manuka, fern, and a little grass. Soil fair; well watered. Open pastoral country. About twelve miles from Dumgree Railway-station. Altitude from 500 ft. to 4,500 ft.

Run No. 148: High, rough, rocky, and mountainous. Summit of ranges bare of vegetation. Slopes covered with tussock and a little grass. Soil stony and poor; well watered. About 100 acres stunted birch bush. About twelve miles from Dumgree Railway-station. Altitude, 500 ft. to 4,900 ft.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Town of Napier for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 9th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction, for sale for cash, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, on Wednesday, the 13th day of March, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.
Napier Suburban Sections.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
636	0 1 0	40 0 0	650	0 1 0	40 0 0
637	0 1 0	40 0 0	651	0 1 0	40 0 0
638	0 1 0	40 0 0	652	0 1 0	40 0 0
639	0 1 0	40 0 0	653	0 0 14	40 0 0
640	0 1 0	40 0 0	654	0 1 0	40 0 0
641	0 1 0	40 0 0	655	0 1 0	40 0 0
642	0 1 0	40 0 0	656	0 1 0	40 0 0
643	0 1 0	40 0 0	657	0 1 0	40 0 0
644	0 1 0	40 0 0	658	0 1 0	40 0 0
645	0 1 0	40 0 0	659	0 0 32	40 0 0
646	0 1 0	40 0 0	660	0 1 2	40 0 0
647	0 1 0	40 0 0	661	0 1 15	40 0 0
648	0 1 0	40 0 0	662	0 1 16	40 0 0
649	0 1 0	40 0 0	663	0 1 7	40 0 0

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

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

Full particulars may be ascertained at this office.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Otago, open for Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 30th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application on Tuesday, the 26th February, 1901, at the half-yearly rentals noted. In the event of more than one application being received for the same run on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

Vincent County.

Survey District.	Run Number.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
Tiger Hill ..	244F	A. R. P. 1,703 0 27	d. 2	£ s. d. 7 1 11

Situated between Ida Valley and Ophir on the main road. About two-thirds of the area is rocky and broken, and contains very little vegetation; the remaining one-third is good grazing-land, although somewhat steep. Valuation for improvements, to be paid with application, or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £475 10s.

Taireri County.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
Sutton ..	{ 2 1 }	{ I. III. }	A. R. P. 2,999 0 38	d. 5	£ s. d. 31 4 10

Open tussock land; fair grazing; well watered. Situated about ten miles from Middlemarch. Valuation for improvements, to be paid with application, or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £948 12s. 7d.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Canterbury Land District for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 9th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, up to noon on Thursday, the 28th February, 1901, for the leases of the under-mentioned reserves.

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

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—NIMROD SURVEY DISTRICT.

Reserve.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
2447	IV.	A. R. P. 30 0 0	£ s. d. 3 15 0	7 years.
2448	IV.	58 0 0	4 7 0	7 years.

These reserves are situated on the western side of the Whiterock River, at the foot of the eastern slope of Mount Nimrod, about four miles and a half southward from the Cannington Homestead, and about eleven miles south-westward from Cave Railway-station. They comprise stony terrace land and river-flats, with native vegetation.

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 1s. lease-fee.
2. Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.
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.

Pastoral Lands in the Otago Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 9th January, 1901.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 28th day of February, 1901, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

PASTORAL LANDS.

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

Run 10 (Class I.), Wakatipu, Lake County: Area, 12,000 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £23.

Situated about one mile from Queenstown.

Run 13 (Class I.), Wakatipu, Lake County: Area, 14,780 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £7 10s.

Situated about one mile from Skipper's.

Run 15 (Class I.), Wakatipu, Lake County: Area, 8,910 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £7 10s.

Situated about one mile from Skipper's.

Run 32 (Class I.), Wakatipu, Lake County: Area, 2,400 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £10.

Situated about one mile from Queenstown.

Run 16 (Class I.), Wakatipu, Lake County: Area, 5,500 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £6.

Situated about five miles from Skipper's.

Runs 338A and 430B (Class I.), Vincent County: Area, 30,300 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £10.

Situated about eight miles from Makarora.

Sections 20, Block II., and 4 to 6, Block III., Cairnhill District (Class I.), Vincent County: Area, 1,205 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £10.

Situated about one mile from Bald Hill Flat.

Runs 94, 429, and 429c (Class I.), Waitaki County: Area, 50,770 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £30.

Situated about thirty miles from Omarama.

Sections 66, 67, and 71, Block IV., Table Hill District (Class II.), Bruce County: Area, 518 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £13.

Situated about four miles from Waitahuna.

Run 24A, and Sections 10, 11, and 13, Block IV., Kuriwao District (Class II.), Clutha County: Area, 1,707 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £25.

Situated about eight miles from Clinton.

Sections 27 to 30, Block I., Glenorchy District, and Section 39, Block I., Upper Wakatipu District (Class II.), Lake County: Area, 221 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £1.

Situated about two miles from Glenorchy.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1902.

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

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

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

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee (£1 1s.), on fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Town of Awatoto for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 9th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction for sale for cash, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, on Wednesday, the 13th day of March, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—AWATOTO TOWN.
Suburban Sections.

Section.	Area.			Upset Price.		
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
23	0	2	0	10	0	0
24	0	2	0	10	0	0
25	0	2	0	10	0	0
26	0	2	0	10	0	0
27	0	2	0	10	0	0
28	0	2	0	10	0	0
33	0	2	0	10	0	0

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

There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on the purchasers of these sections other than the above mentioned. Full information may be ascertained at this office.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 4th December, 1900.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Tuesday, the 12th day of February, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

(Pastoral License under Part VI., "Land Act, 1892.")

BAREFELL AND ACHERON SURVEY DISTRICTS.

RUN No. 130, Dillon: 73,500 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £400.

Possession will be given 1st March, 1901.

One half-year's rent and £1 ls. lease-fee must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the usual declaration furnished.

Description.—Situate at the south-western corner of the province, between the Guide, Acheron, and Clarence Rivers. A large proportion of the run is composed of high ranges of travelling shingle; the lower slopes and river-flats are well grassed, the southern portion, known as "Bullen Hills," is particularly so. The country has good natural boundaries, for the most part sheep-proof, and there is a good home-stead-site on the left bank of the Clarence near the junction of the Dillon Stream, accessible by wagons. The run is distant about thirty-five miles from Culverden.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in Amuri County for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 15th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Tuesday, the 26th February, 1901, at 12 noon.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—AMURI COUNTY.—SKIDDAW, MYTHOLM, TEKOÀ, AND MANDAMUS SURVEY DISTRICTS.
(Pastoral license under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Run No	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
12	10,290	60 0 0	Four years, from 1st March, 1901.
235	7,470	10 0 0	Yearly, from 1st March, 1901.

Locality and Description of Runs.

These runs are situated at the head-waters of the George and Mandamus Rivers and the Gorge Stream, between the

Glynn Wye Run on the west, the Glens of Tekoà Run on the south, and the Pahau Run on the east, at a distance of about fifteen miles westward from Upper Waiau, and comprise very rough and mountainous country, ranging in elevation from about 1,570 ft. to about 5,600 ft. above sea-level, difficult of access, and involving considerable risks of working, although the country carries good summer pasture.

In the event of either of the runs not being sold at auction, they will immediately thereafter be open for application at the upset annual rentals specified above.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the runs will be given to the purchasers of the licenses on the 1st March, 1901, or on approval of application by the Land Board.

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

3. The licenses shall be dated on the 1st March, 1901, or on the 1st March next following the date of selection.

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

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

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

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

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

DECLARATION.

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

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

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

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

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

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand 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.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Kaikoura County, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 25th January, 1901.

THE under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for selection at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, and the Land Office, Kaikoura, on and after Monday, the 25th February, 1901.

If more than one application be received for the same run on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on Wednesday, the 27th February, 1901, at 11 a.m., at the Land Office, Kaikoura.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—KAIKOURA COUNTY.

Small Grazing-run No.	Survey District.	Area.			Half-yearly Rent.	
		A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.
107	Whernside ..	14,000	0	0	109	7 6
108	Whernside, Puhipuhi, Tapuaenuku	9,650	0	0	98	15 0
109	Puhipuhi, Kaitarau, Tapuaenuku	14,699	2	0	{ 95 18 1 *1 5 11 }	97 4 0
110	Puhipuhi ..	9,600	0	0	96	9 10
111	Puhipuhi ..	3,700	0	0	{ 109 7 11 +39 7 10 }	148 15 9
112	Puhipuhi ..	{ 2,800 0 0 1,003 0 0§	0	0	{ 15 14 5 +10 7 3 37 10 0 }	63 11 8

* Interest and sinking fund on hut, valued at £15, repayable in seven years by half-yearly instalments of £1 5s. 11d. Total half-yearly payment for Run No. 109, £97 4s.

† Interest and sinking fund on buildings, valued at £780, repayable in fourteen years by half-yearly instalments of £39 7s. 10d. Total half-yearly payment for Run No. 111, £148 15s. 9d.

‡ Interest and sinking fund on buildings, valued at £160, repayable in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £10 7s. 8d. Total half-yearly payment for Run No. 112, £63 11s. 8d.

§ Reserve A, 1,003 acres (stock reserve), is offered for lease for fourteen years only, and the tenant is to be bound to depasture travelling stock at the rates specified in pamphlet.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Town of Buckley for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 9th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned sections will be submitted to public auction, for sale for cash, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Gisborne, on Wednesday, the 13th day of March, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.
Town of Buckley.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
Block VII.			Block VIII.—continued.		
1	A. R. P. £ s. d.	7 10 0	10	A. R. P. £ s. d.	7 10 0
2	0 1 0	7 10 0	11	0 1 0	7 10 0
3	0 1 0	7 10 0	13	0 1 0	7 10 0
4	0 1 0	7 10 0	14	0 1 0	7 10 0
5	0 1 0	7 10 0	15	0 1 0	7 10 0
6	0 1 0	7 10 0	16	0 1 0	7 10 0
7	0 1 0	7 10 0	17	0 1 0	7 10 0
8	0 1 0	7 10 0	18	0 1 0	7 10 0
9	0 1 0	7 10 0	19	0 1 0	7 10 0
14	0 1 0	7 10 0	20	0 1 0	7 10 0
15	0 1 0	7 10 0			
16	0 1 0	7 10 0	Block IX.		
17	0 1 0	7 10 0	11	0 1 0	7 10 0
18	0 1 0	7 10 0	12	0 1 0	7 10 0
19	0 1 0	7 10 0	13	0 1 0	7 10 0
20	0 1 0	7 10 0	16	0 1 0	7 10 0
			17	0 1 0	7 10 0
			18	0 1 0	7 10 0
Block VIII.			Block XV.		
6	0 1 0	7 10 0	13	0 1 0	7 10 0
7	0 1 0	7 10 0	14	0 0 88	7 10 0
8	0 1 0	7 10 0			
9	0 1 0	7 10 0			

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

There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on the purchasers of these sections other than above mentioned.

Full information may be ascertained at this office.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office.

Invercargill, 16th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be submitted by public auction at this office on Wednesday, the 27th day of February, 1901, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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

County.	Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
Wallace..	135 & 135A	Taringatura ..	Acres. 4,320	£ s. d. 72 0 0	Years. 10
Southland	190c	Eyre ..	4,600	38 6 8	18
"	257	Mokoreta ..	2,795	29 2 3	10
Lake and South'd	323A	Kingston and Rockyside	36,930	150 0 0	10
Fiord ..	475	Between Dusky Sound & Chalky Inlet	10,000	5 0 0	10
Southland	493	Waimumu ..	1,150	2 10 0	10

Runs Nos. 135 and 135A: Situated in the Taringatura Survey District, County of Southland. Bounded towards the north by Sections 263 and 269, Taringatura Survey District; towards the east by Run 149; towards the south by Section 119, Taringatura Survey District; and towards the west by Section 117, Taringatura District.

Run No. 190c: Situated in the Eyre Survey District, County of Southland. Bounded towards the north by Run 190b; towards the east by Run 190b; towards the south by road-lines; towards the south-west and west by the Oreti River and by Section 58, Eyre Survey District.

Run No. 257: Situated in the Mokoreta Survey District, County of Southland. Bounded towards the north by the educational endowment and by Run 161A; towards the east by Crown lands; towards the south by a road-line, by Sections 9, 11, and 10, Block XIII., Mokoreta Survey District, by the Waikawa River, and by road-lines; towards the west by Sections 6, 12, 11, and 10, Block VII., Mokoreta Survey District, by Section 7, Block IX., Mokoreta Survey District, and by Crown lands; excepting all timber-covered land within the above boundaries.

Run No. 323A: Situated in the Kingston and Rockyside Survey District, County of Southland. Bounded towards the north by a pre-emptive right, by Kingston Township, by Sections 1 and 2, and Cemetery Reserve, Block I., Kingston Survey District, and by Lake Wakatipu; towards the north-east by Crown lands; towards the south-east by Runs 359 and 447; towards the south-west by Run 214c, by Sections 10, 11, 18, and 19, Block III., Kingston Survey District, by Section 4, Block II., Kingston Survey District, and by the Mataura River; towards the west by the Invercargill and Kingston Railway.

Run No. 475: Situated in the County of Fiord. Bounded towards the north by Dusky Sound and Cascade Cove; towards the east by Run 492; towards the south by Chalky or Dark Cloud Inlet; towards the west by the ocean.

Run No. 493: Situated in Waimumu Hundred, County of Southland. Bounded towards the north by Sections 32, 17, and 16, Waimumu Hundred; towards the east and south-east by Sections 24 and 23, Waimumu Hundred; and towards the south-west by Crown lands.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1902.

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

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Southland Land District open for Selection on Perpetual Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 9th January, 1901.

THE under-mentioned Crown land, having been surrendered in terms of section 156 of "The Land Act, 1885," will be open for selection on perpetual lease on and after Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 1901. If more than one application be received for the allotments on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—CAMPBELL-TOWN HUNDRED.

Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.		
		A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
42 to 48 and 54 to 62*	V.	1,585	1	24	0	3	9	18	3

*Grouped.

Open land, soil inferior. Distance from Greenhills Railway-station, one mile. Burdened with £308 2s. 6d., valuation for improvements.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 21st January, 1901.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on the 26th day of February, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

WHERNSIDE SURVEY DISTRICT.

(Pastoral License under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")
Run No. 115, Class I. (Woodside): 12,760 acres; term, three years; upset annual rental, £150.

Broken country, principally limestone formation; about 5,700 acres open land, covered with grass, tussock, and fern; balance, light bush and scrub. About fifty miles from Blenheim by main road to Kaikoura.

Possession will be given on 1st March, 1901.

One half-year's rent and £1 ls. must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the usual declaration furnished.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Auckland Land District, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 9th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for application at this office on Monday, the 25th February, 1901, at the rental stated.

In the event of more than one application being received on the same day, the right to select will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—COROMANDEL COUNTY.

HARATAUNGA Survey District, Blocks V. and VI.: Small grazing-run No. 27, 2,560 acres, Auckland Museum Endowment or Waikanae Block. Half-yearly rental, £16. Term of lease, twenty-one years from 1st March, 1901.

Broken pastoral land; forest and open; clay soil, medium quality and well watered. Situated between Cabbage Bay and Waikawau Bay, and within a mile of each bay.

The lease will be under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892." Forms of application and poster plans obtainable at this office.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Leases in the County of Westland for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Hokitika, 9th January, 1901

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Hokitika, on Tuesday, the 26th February, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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

No. of Run.	Area.	Locality.	Upset Annual-Rental.	Term.
4	Acres. 6,000	Taramakau Valley	£ s. d. 6 0 0	10 years, from March 1, 1902.
71	10,000	Kaimata Range ..	10 0 0	Ditto.
84	13,000	Kelly's Range ..	13 0 0	"
91	9,000	Doctor's Creek ..	9 0 0	"

Run No. 4: 6,000 acres, in Upper Taramakau, Otahake, and Oтира Valleys, on northern faces of Aicken Range; bush-clad terraces and hill-sides; cattle-feed only. Access by open river-beds from Hokitika—Christchurch Road.

Run No. 71: 10,000 acres, Kaimata Range, Upper Taramakau Valley; rugged mountain-tops, with scanty tussock feed; mean elevation, 4,000 ft. above sea-level; sheep-pasture, summer country. Access from Taramakau and Crooked River beds.

Run No. 84: 13,000 acres, Kelly's Range, between Taipo and Oтира Rivers; hummocky, well-grassed tops; mean altitude, 3,700 ft. above sea; fair summer sheep-country. Access from Hokitika—Christchurch Road, *via* leading spurs.

Run No. 91: 9,000 acres, Hokitika Valley, watershed of Doctor's Creek; rough, hilly land all covered with forest; suitable for cattle only. Access by open river-bed.

Terms of Sale.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892," subject to any rights of renewal or resumption as may be presented by the Land Acts or other constituted authority.

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

W. G. MURRAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Southland for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 10th January, 1901.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on Tuesday, the 9th April, 1901.

In the event of more than one application being received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m. If the land be not applied for on the date mentioned, it will remain open for application thereafter at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill.

SCHEDULE.
SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.				Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.				Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.					
					Per Acre.		Total Price.		Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.		Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.			
				A. R. P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.		
Wallace	Waiau	1	XIII.	1 2 35	2	0	0	3	8	9	2	0	1	9	1	7-2	1	5
"	"	2	"	1 2 32	2	0	0	3	8	0	2	0	1	9	1	7-2	1	5
"	"	3	"	1 2 33	2	0	0	3	8	3	2	0	1	9	1	7-2	1	5
"	"	4	"	1 2 38	2	0	0	3	9	6	2	0	1	9	1	7-2	1	5
"	"	5	"	1 3 3	2	0	0	3	10	9	2	0	1	9	1	7-2	1	5
"	"	6	"	1 3 3	2	0	0	3	10	9	2	0	1	9	1	7-2	1	5
"	"	7	"	0 2 38	2	0	0	1	9	6	2	0	0	9	1	7-2	0	7

Sections consist of level agricultural land, covered with heavy mixed bush. Situated at Lower Waiau Ferry, thirteen miles from Orepuki Railway-station.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Population of the Colony.

RETURN of the Estimated Population (exclusive and inclusive of Maoris) of the Colony of New Zealand on the 31st December, 1900.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 31st December, 1899	398,679	357,826	756,505
Births registered in 1900	10,107	9,439	19,546
Deaths registered in 1900	4,153	3,047	7,200
Excess of births over deaths	5,954	6,392	12,346
Arrivals in the colony during 1900	11,966	6,108	18,074
Departures from the colony during 1900	11,043	5,200	16,243
Excess of arrivals over departures	923	908	1,831
Total increase during 1900	6,877	7,300	14,177
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 31st December, 1900	405,556	365,126	770,682
Maori population, census, 1896*	21,673	18,181	39,854
Total estimated population of the colony on 31st December, 1900	427,229	383,307	810,536

* Later information is not available, as the births and deaths of Maoris are not recorded.

CHINESE.—Chinese are included in the population given above. The number in New Zealand on 31st December, 1900, was estimated to be 3,077, of whom 34 were females.

REMARKS.—Excluding Maoris, the population of the colony increased by 14,177, or at the rate of 1·87 per cent., during the year. To this increase, excess of births over deaths contributed 12,346, and excess of arrivals over departures 1,831. But 1,582 men, forming the military contingents, were sent to South Africa in the first quarter of the year. Deducting these from the total of departures would give an excess of arrivals amounting to 3,413 persons.

The birth-rate for the colony in 1900 was 25·60 per 1,000 of mean population, and the death-rate 9·43, as against 25·12 and 10·24 respectively in 1899.

The deaths in 1900 (7,200) were actually less than the number registered in 1899 (7,680), and thus, with the increased population, show a decrease in the rate per 1,000 from 10·24 to 9·43.

The number of marriages (excluding those contracted between Maoris) solemnised in 1900 is estimated at 5,850, giving a rate of 7·66* per 1,000 of the mean population, against 5,461 and 7·23, the actual number and rate in 1899.

The fluctuations of the birth-, death-, and marriage-rates for the last ten years are as under:—

Year.	Per 1,000 of Population.		
	Birth-rate.	Death-rate.	Marriage-rate.
1891	29·01	10·35	6·04
1892	27·83	10·06	6·23
1893	27·50	10·23	6·22
1894	27·28	10·19	6·15
1895	26·78	9·91	5·94
1896	26·33	9·10	6·85
1897	25·96	9·14	6·83
1898	25·74	9·84	6·91
1899	25·12	10·24	7·28
1900	25·60	9·43	7·66*

* Estimated; subject to revision.

E. J. von DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Registrar-General's Office.
Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

Native Land Court Notices.*Sitting of the Native Land Court at Gisborne.*

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 28th January, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Gisborne on the 18th day of February, 1901, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Gisborne, 1901-4.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
38	Transfer	20th November, 1900	Whakaongaonga No. 2E	Hoani Matiaha to G. H. Lysnar.
39	Transfer	31st October, 1900 ..	Whakaongaonga No. 3B	Herewaka Poata to G. H. Lysnar.
39A	Transfer	17th January, 1901 ..	Pouawa No. 1, Lot 8	J. Coleman and F. R. Harris to W. D. Lysnar.

Sitting of Native Land Court at Wellington.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Wellington on the 13th day of February, 1901, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 1901-10.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
56	Mortgage	4th December, 1899 ..	Pukehamoamo D ..	Hemi Nuku and Hohepa Umurangi to W. Smith.

APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
57	Hemi Nuku and Hohepa Umurangi	Pukehamoamo D.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

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

[Sec. 55, 1901-2.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Conveyance (1901-7) ..	24th December, 1900	Ohau No. 3, part of Section 18	Meri Matiu to Heera Ranapiri.
2	Conveyance (1901-8) ..	16th October, 1900 ..	Kiharoa No. 2 ..	Wereta Pineaha and others to Mary Ann Bright.
3	Conveyance (1901-9) ..	16th October, 1900 ..	Kiharoa No. 45A ..	Wereta Pineaha and others to Mary Ann Bright.
4	Conveyance (1901-10) ..	16th October, 1900 ..	Kiharoa No. 2 ..	Renata te Whairiri to Mary Ann Bright.
5	Conveyance (1901-11) ..	16th October, 1900 ..	Kiharoa No. 45A ..	Whairiri Nikora to Mary Ann Bright.

Sitting of Native Appellate Court at Kaiapoi adjourned.

[Wellington, 1901-4.]

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 4th February, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Appellate Court advertised to take place at Kaiapoi on the 15th day of February, 1901, has been adjourned to the 18th day of February, 1901, at the same place.

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 5th January, 1901, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1900.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1901.			1900.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	19	10	29	44	12	56
2nd Class	449	592	1,041	280	560	840
Total	468	602	1,070	324	572	896
Season Tickets	..	..	2	..	..	4
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	18	..	..	19
Horses	..	..	3	..	..	3
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	6	..	..	13
Total	..	..	27	..	..	35
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	5	..	..	1
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	313	..	..	148
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	318	..	..	149
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	48	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	10	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	13	..	..	8
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	106	..	..	120
Minerals	..	..	252	..	..	266
Total	..	..	429	..	..	394
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	55 16 2	..	..	44 8 1
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	4 3 6	..	..	3 15 11
Goods	..	..	117 6 5	..	..	109 0 3
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	0 16 0
Rents and Commission	..	..	1 8 0	..	..	..
Total	..	..	£178 14 1	..	..	£158 0 3

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1901.			1900.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	365	264	629	154	160	314
2nd Class	1,557	1,936	3,493	954	1,736	2,690
Total	1,922	2,200	4,122	1,108	1,896	3,004
Season Tickets	..	..	5	..	..	1
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	174	..	..	197
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	5	..	..	5
Total	..	..	179	..	..	202
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	2	..	..	2
Cattle	..	..	14	..	..	16
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	60
Pigs	..	..	2	..	..	..
Total	..	..	18	..	..	78
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	36	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	1,547	..	..	696
Grain	..	..	196	..	..	38
Merchandise	..	..	202	..	..	200
Minerals	..	..	3,421	..	..	3,773
Total	..	..	5,402	..	..	4,707
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	167 7 1	..	..	140 11 0
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	9 8 9	..	..	10 12 9
Goods	..	..	906 9 11	..	..	755 3 6
Miscellaneous	..	..	58 8 7	..	..	4 11 5
Rents and Commission	..	..	25 9 5	..	..	26 4 4
Total	..	..	£1,167 3 9	..	..	£937 3 0

KAIHU SECTION.

	1901.			1900.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	4	174	178	4	178	182
2nd Class	88	3,606	3,694	81	2,623	2,709
Total	92	3,780	3,872	85	2,806	2,891
Season Tickets	..	..	2	..	..	2
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	83	..	..	96
Horses	..	..	1	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	16	..	..	1
Total	..	..	101	..	..	97
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	2,218	..	..	720
Grain	..	..	4	..	..	1
Merchandise	..	..	153	..	..	161
Minerals	..	..	12	..	..	..
Total	..	..	2,387	..	..	882
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	200 14 4	..	..	153 9 4
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	9 3 2	..	..	6 14 5
Goods	..	..	492 12 6	..	..	218 9 10
Miscellaneous	..	..	22 18 5	..	..	11 3 10
Rents and Commission	..	..	25 14 0	..	..	17 1 6
Total	..	..	£751 2 5	..	..	£406 18 11

AUCKLAND SECTION.

	1901.			1900.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	3,265	7,198	10,463	2,179	7,408	9,587
2nd Class	19,317	116,746	136,063	11,599	107,574	119,173
Total	22,582	123,944	146,526	13,778	114,982	128,760
Season Tickets	..	..	1,097	..	..	638
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	5,899	..	..	7,780
Horses	..	..	105	..	..	90
Carriages	..	..	6	..	..	5
Dogs	..	..	323	..	..	272
Total	..	..	6,333	..	..	8,147
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	22	..	..	16
Cattle	..	..	1,050	..	..	820
Calves	..	..	206	..	..	100
Sheep	..	..	7,205	..	..	8,272
Pigs	..	..	4	..	..	33
Total	..	..	8,487	..	..	9,241
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	884	..	..	276
Wool	..	..	478	..	..	503
Firewood	..	..	300	..	..	192
Timber	..	..	1,349	..	..	1,458
Grain	..	..	2,909	..	..	2,411
Merchandise	..	..	3,483	..	..	3,452
Minerals	..	..	7,187	..	..	7,146
Total	..	..	16,090	..	..	15,438
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	9,053 18 3	..	..	8,270 19 3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	793 0 1	..	..	686 8 4
Goods	..	..	7,470 16 2	..	..	7,131 15 4
Miscellaneous	..	..	49 8 11	..	..	27 6 9
Rents and Commission	..	..	354 1 9	..	..	395 19 0
Total	..	..	£17,721 5 2	..	..	£16,512 8 8

WELLINGTON-NAPIER-NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

	1901.			1900.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	6,228	27,124	33,352	2,752	27,818	30,570	
2nd Class	27,510	147,586	175,096	15,192	142,476	157,668	
Total	33,738	174,710	208,448	17,944	170,294	188,238	
Season Tickets	..	1,373	..	..	1,063	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	15,932	..	15,738	..		
Horses	..	486	..	562	..		
Carriages	..	35	..	20	..		
Dogs	..	861	..	809	..		
Total	..	17,364	..	17,129	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	22	..	19	..		
Cattle	..	1,220	..	1,633	..		
Calves	..	144	..	48	..		
Sheep	..	68,933	..	86,440	..		
Pigs	..	937	..	567	..		
Total	..	71,306	..	88,757	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 564	..	Tons. 816	..		
Wool	..	7,418	..	7,463	..		
Firewood	..	2,278	..	2,666	..		
Timber	..	7,915	..	6,387	..		
Grain	..	3,933	..	3,570	..		
Merchandise	..	10,505	..	8,580	..		
Minerals	..	3,984	..	3,919	..		
Total	..	36,597	..	33,401	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	18,188	2	9	17,112	19	3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	2,079	3	0	2,079	5	8
Goods	..	21,236	13	8	20,437	12	0
Miscellaneous	..	524	1	11	437	9	5
Rents and Commission	..	1,430	14	0	1,422	13	10
Total	..	£43,459	0	4	£41,490	0	2

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

	1901.			1900.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	12,082	58,438	70,520	6,177	43,118	49,295	
2nd Class	50,604	345,590	396,194	29,850	314,688	344,538	
Total	62,686	404,028	466,714	36,027	357,806	393,833	
Season Tickets	..	2,725	..	..	1,976	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	29,504	..	28,564	..		
Horses	..	354	..	416	..		
Carriages	..	64	..	66	..		
Dogs	..	1,163	..	888	..		
Total	..	31,090	..	29,934	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	42	..	49	..		
Cattle	..	1,320	..	1,645	..		
Calves	..	76	..	151	..		
Sheep	..	72,434	..	61,941	..		
Pigs	..	1,423	..	1,356	..		
Total	..	75,295	..	65,142	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 2,136	..	Tons. 2,118	..		
Wool	..	14,462	..	17,924	..		
Firewood	..	1,698	..	1,432	..		
Timber	..	10,056	..	7,925	..		
Grain	..	36,861	..	32,190	..		
Merchandise	..	17,434	..	24,660	..		
Minerals	..	28,333	..	25,956	..		
Total	..	110,980	..	112,255	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	38,077	1	1	34,091	8	3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	3,548	17	3	3,223	13	8
Goods	..	41,159	8	10	40,623	10	6
Miscellaneous	..	1,134	7	0	1,102	18	9
Rents and Commission	..	2,728	15	4	2,619	14	4
Total	..	£86,648	9	6	£81,661	5	6

WESTLAND SECTION.

	1901.			1900.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	626	2,564	3,190	127	1,744	1,871	
2nd Class	4,845	36,560	41,405	2,122	30,786	32,908	
Total	5,471	39,124	44,595	2,249	32,530	34,779	
Season Tickets	..	..	32	..	..	15
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	1,051	..	1,064	..		
Horses	..	80	..	116	..		
Carriages	..	..	..	1	..	
Dogs	..	48	..	47	..		
Total	..	1,179	..	1,228	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	4	..	..	..
Cattle	..	45	..	27	..		
Calves	..	2	..	1	..		
Sheep	..	913	..	766	..		
Pigs	..	33	..	78	..		
Total	..	997	..	872	..		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 42	..	Tons. 48	..		
Wool	..	28	..	9	..		
Firewood	..	84	..	24	..		
Timber	..	2,371	..	1,874	..		
Grain	..	252	..	126	..		
Merchandise	..	1,191	..	1,165	..		
Minerals	..	8,563	..	12,103	..		
Total	..	12,531	..	15,349	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	2,258	7	5	1,200	16	11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	196	4	10	88	1	6
Goods	..	2,577	2	5	2,132	11	8
Miscellaneous	..	109	19	1	158	2	2
Rents and Commission	..	66	0	0	51	3	8
Total	..	£5,207	13	9	£3,630	15	11

WESTPORT SECTION.

	1901.			1900.			
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.	
PASSENGERS,—							
1st Class	19	90	109	11	182	193	
2nd Class	1,575	10,922	12,497	757	8,576	9,333	
Total	1,594	11,012	12,606	768	8,758	9,526	
Season Tickets	..	..	8	..	..	4
PARCELS, ETC.,—		No.		No.			
Parcels	..	299	..	245	..		
Horses	..	1	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	12	..	10	..		
Total	..	312	..	255	..		
GOODS,—		No.		No.			
Drays	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	26	..	
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	26	..	
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	Tons. 36	..	Tons. 12	..		
Wool	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	288	..	163	..		
Timber	..	97	..	153	..		
Grain	..	66	..	65	..		
Merchandise	..	223	..	184	..		
Minerals	..	28,668	..	18,445	..		
Total	..	29,378	..	19,027	..		
REVENUE,—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	..	485	5	4	386	0	6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	18	11	1	15	14	3
Goods	..	3,726	19	4	2,442	9	4
Miscellaneous	..	119	16	10	76	2	9
Rents and Commission	..	99	1	6	78	14	0
Total	..	£4,449	14	1	£2,999	0	10

NELSON SECTION.						
PASSENGERS,—	1901.			1900.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	128	388	516	93	476	569
2nd Class	1,801	7,658	9,459	1,075	8,018	9,093
Total	1,929	8,046	9,975	1,168	8,494	9,662
Season Tickets	..	..	6	..	..	8
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	347	..	..	303
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	1
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	1
Dogs	..	..	19	..	..	25
Total	..	..	367	..	..	330
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	2
Cattle	..	..	1	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	99	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	100	..	..	2
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	30	..	..	36
Wool	..	..	189	..	..	211
Firewood	..	..	222	..	..	198
Timber	..	..	238	..	..	276
Grain	..	..	143	..	..	107
Merchandise	..	..	213	..	..	187
Minerals	..	..	378	..	..	226
Total	..	..	1,413	..	..	1,241
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	467 13 4	..	..	446 17 7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	72 11 8	..	..	84 13 4
Goods	..	..	546 12 7	..	..	478 12 10
Miscellaneous	..	..	46 8 3	..	..	34 15 8
Rents and Commission	..	..	28 2 4	..	..	17 10 8
Total	..	..	£1,156 8 2	..	..	£1,012 10 1

PICTON SECTION.						
PASSENGERS,—	1901.			1900.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	247	1,532	1,779	172	1,908	2,080
2nd Class	1,234	6,056	7,390	739	8,184	8,923
Total	1,481	7,588	9,069	911	10,092	11,003
Season Tickets	..	..	1	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	94	..	..	97
Horses	..	..	6	..	..	9
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	16	..	..	23
Total	..	..	116	..	..	129
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	1	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	4,425	..	..	59
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	4,426	..	..	59
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	138	..	..	48
Wool	..	..	25	..	..	27
Firewood	..	..	192	..	..	360
Timber	..	..	10	..	..	2
Grain	..	..	156	..	..	184
Merchandise	..	..	177	..	..	306
Minerals	..	..	196	..	..	396
Total	..	..	894	..	..	1,323
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	438 15 1	..	..	524 19 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	15 16 6	..	..	19 11 5
Goods	..	..	280 7 0	..	..	365 13 6
Miscellaneous	..	..	48 5 5	..	..	30 13 11
Rents and Commission	43 0 6	51 16 0
Total	£826 4 6	£992 14 9

Railway Department, 5th February, 1901.

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N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1900-1901.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 5th January, 1901.

Section.	Miles open for Traffic.	REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.		FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE.		
		Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Per Cent. of Revenue.	Revenue per Mile of Railway.	Expenditure per Mile of Railway.
NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 178 14 1	£ 1,590 16 0	£ 318 3 6	£ 1,914 10 9	120.35	£ 258 10 1	£ 311 2 3
Whangarei ..	21	1,167 3 9	11,337 3 3	423 18 9	5,372 6 1	47.39	701 16 5	332 11 5
Kaihu ..	17	751 2 5	6,030 6 4	429 9 4	3,027 9 7	50.20	461 2 10	231 10 3
Auckland ..	330	17,721 5 2	137,521 17 10	9,792 2 6	95,906 4 9	69.74	546 9 5	381 2 1
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	43,459 0 4	315,735 5 8	21,365 14 4	232,337 10 0	73.59	910 2 0	669 14 2
Total ..	827	63,277 5 9	472,215 9 1	32,329 8 5	338,558 1 2	71.70		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,186	86,648 9 6	703,840 15 3	43,209 1 8	446,955 19 0	63.50	773 19 6	491 9 10
Westland ..	112	5,207 13 9	44,006 15 0	3,147 16 2	26,237 11 5	59.62	756 14 7	451 3 6
Westport ..	31	4,449 14 1	43,368 0 2	1,616 19 0	21,644 6 3	49.91	1,818 13 2	907 13 4
Nelson ..	33	1,156 8 2	8,616 6 3	785 14 11	10,392 14 2	120.62	386 5 0	465 17 7
Pictou ..	21	826 4 6	7,795 12 9	675 5 2	7,978 3 0	102.34	482 11 9	493 17 9
Total ..	1,383	98,288 10 0	807,627 9 5	49,434 16 11	513,208 13 10	63.55		
Grand total ..	2,210	161,565 15 9	1,279,842 18 6	81,764 5 4	851,766 15 0	66.55		

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 158 0 3	£ 1,255 15 2	£ 138 2 5	£ 1,425 3 8	113.49	£ 204 1 3	£ 231 11 10
Whangarei ..	21	937 3 0	9,284 6 9	486 10 7	5,844 11 1	62.95	574 14 11	361 16 1
Kaihu ..	17	406 18 11	4,325 1 11	262 12 8	3,328 16 6	76.97	330 14 10	254 11 2
Auckland ..	327	16,512 8 8	124,423 3 4	7,442 4 5	83,314 18 3	66.96	494 13 4	331 4 5
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	41,490 0 2	299,156 12 8	22,637 12 0	222,035 4 7	74.22	862 6 3	640 0 3
Total ..	824	59,504 11 0	438,449 19 10	30,967 2 1	315,948 14 1	72.06		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,173	81,661 5 6	674,628 15 1	39,133 14 3	425,461 12 8	63.07	751 15 2	474 2 1
Greymouth-Brunner	8	2,484 12 7	22,176 9 7	1,041 7 0	9,506 5 7	42.87	3,603 13 6	1,544 15 5
Greymouth-Hokitika	24	1,146 3 4	8,197 18 5	391 17 9	4,933 3 6	60.18	444 1 1	267 4 3
Westport ..	31	2,999 0 10	41,289 5 9	1,454 5 5	17,523 9 9	42.44	1,731 9 9	734 17 1
Nelson ..	23	1,012 10 1	8,491 12 9	962 8 11	10,277 9 9	121.03	479 19 3	580 18 0
Pictou ..	21	992 14 9	7,953 17 7	1,143 11 4	8,314 18 2	104.54	492 7 8	514 14 8
Total ..	1,280	90,296 7 1	762,737 19 2	44,127 4 8	476,016 19 5	62.41		
Grand total ..	2,104	149,800 18 1	1,201,187 19 0	75,094 6 9	791,965 13 6	65.93		
Midland Railway ..	84	2,427 1 0	10,342 7 8	1,502 10 3	9,927 12 5	..		

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Railway Department, 5th February, 1901.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC on ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1900, to 5th January, 1901.

All Sections.	Passengers.						Season Tickets.	Number.					Number.					
	First Class.		Second Class.		Total.	Total.		Parcels.	Horses.	Carriages.	Dogs.	Total.	Drays, &c.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
	S.	R.	S.	R.														
1901	163,140	597,918	815,698	3,047,532	4,624,288	60,445	477,466	8,710	1010	22,818	510,004	1119	51,526	5,217	1,311,313	37,774	1,406,949	
1900	89,699	570,774	486,203	2,840,392	3,987,008	46,710	473,218	8,544	855	20,157	502,774	932	48,673	2,017	1,592,867	27,483	1,671,972	
Inc.	73,441	27,144	329,495	207,200	637,280	13,735	4,248	166	155	2,661	7,230	187	2,853	3,200	..	10,291	..	
Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	281,554	..	265,023

All Sections.	Tons.															
	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.	
	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.
1901	61,116	0 0	53,839	16 0	72,212	0 0	287,748	5 0	600,779	19 0	406,212	14 0	1,043,776	0 0	2,525,684	14 0
1900	59,290	0 0	63,885	4 0	71,770	0 0	253,444	3 0	599,725	3 0	393,808	4 0	934,032	19 0	2,375,955	13 0
Increase	1,826	0 0	..	..	442	0 0	34,304	2 0	1,054	16 0	12,404	10 0	109,743	1 0	149,729	1 0
Decrease	..	..	10,045	8 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1900, as furnished by Public Works Department, including Public Works Loan Expenditure on Harbour-works forming Part of the Railway System.

Section.	Cost of Opened Lines.			Cost of Unopened Lines.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Kawakawa	91,688	0	0	1,106	0	0
Whangarei	163,618	0	0	264	0	0
Kaihu	70,781	0	0	..	..	..
Auckland	2,394,941	0	0	166,798	0	0
Gisborne-Karaka .. .. .	..	..	..	502	0	0
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth	3,933,353	0	0	201,901	0	0
Wellington-Foxton (private line)	..	..	..	42,116	0	0
Surveys, North Island .. .. .	..	..	..	23,764	0	0
Miscellaneous .. .. .	..	..	..	5,169	0	0
Hurunui-Bluff	9,037,709	0	0	60,248	0	0
Greymouth-Brunner	196,972	0	0	15,959	0	0
Greymouth Harbour Works .. .. .	..	..	..	127,234	0	0
Greymouth-Hokitika	197,065	0	0	..	..	..
Westport	220,773	0	0	..	..	..
Westport Harbour Works .. .. .	..	..	..	14,111	0	0
Nelson	165,363	0	0	12,537	0	0
Picton	206,624	0	0	87,965	0	0
Stock, Permanent-way .. .. .	..	..	..	30,614	0	0
Stock, A.O.L. Stores .. .. .	..	..	..	17,248	0	0
Surveys, Middle Island .. .. .	..	..	..	37,681	0	0
Miscellaneous	5,168	0	0
Stock in suspense	25,000	0	0
Total	16,703,887	0	0	850,385	0	0

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Railway Department, 5th February, 1901.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE for Management during the Month of January, 1901.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Order, or Date of Filing of Election to administer.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Banfield, James ..	Moana ..	..	29 Jan., 1901	7 Dec., 1900	Relatives known.
2	Bogovich, Paul ..	Te Karaka ..	Austria ..	4 Jan., 1901	14 Aug., 1900	Relatives known.
3	Brennan, Edward ..	Larrikins ..	Ireland ..	4 Jan., 1901	4 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.
4	Chapman, Mary ..	Christchurch ..	..	21 Jan., 1901	23 Nov., 1900	..
5	Clarke, Frederick William ..	Christchurch ..	England ..	4 Jan., 1901	3 Dec., 1900	..
6	Cleaver, William ..	Mercury Bay ..	..	19 Jan., 1901	8 Oct., 1900	Probate.
7	Goodman, James ..	Motueka ..	..	4 Jan., 1901	26 Nov., 1899	Relatives known.
8	Greig, Charles ..	Karere ..	Scotland ..	19 Jan., 1901	2 Dec., 1900	Probate.
9	Gunn, Barbara ..	Geelong, Colony of Victoria ..	..	14 Jan., 1901	30 May, 1900	Relatives known.
10	Hall, Annie ..	Christchurch ..	England ..	31 Jan., 1901	27 Dec., 1900	Relatives known.
11	Kehoe, Thomas ..	Redfern, Colony of New South Wales ..	..	7 Jan., 1901	13 Feb., 1898	Relatives known.
12	Lace, John ..	Fernside ..	Isle of Man ..	12 Jan., 1901	18 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.
13	Lee, John ..	Ocean Beach ..	..	5 Jan., 1901	10 Aug., 1900	Relatives known.
14	Milne, John Phillip ..	Wellington ..	Scotland ..	18 Jan., 1901	12 Nov., 1900	..
15	Mills, Joseph Hayton ..	Wellington ..	..	15 Jan., 1901	30 Dec., 1900	Relatives known.
16	Miscall, Agnes ..	Wellington ..	Scotland ..	19 Jan., 1901	27 Dec., 1900	Probate.
17	Morine, Francis ..	Fendalton ..	France ..	5 Jan., 1901	24 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.
18	O'Brien, Martin ..	Dunganville ..	Ireland ..	4 Jan., 1901	16 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.
19	Porter, Robert ..	Stafford ..	Scotland ..	10 Jan., 1901	6 Dec., 1900	Relatives known.
20	Slater, George ..	Macrae's Flat ..	..	15 Jan., 1901	17 Dec., 1900	Relatives known.
21	Thomson, John ..	Tauranga ..	Scotland ..	21 Dec., 1900	10 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.
22	Tonking, Edward ..	Wellington ..	..	19 Jan., 1901	15 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.
23	Walton, Septimus Theodore	Feilding ..	..	18 Jan., 1901	23 Nov., 1900	Relatives known.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

Dated the 6th day of February, 1901.

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—Notice No. 625.—Estimated Yields, &c.

Department of Agriculture, Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

THE following table gives the estimated yield of wheat, oats, and barley, and the areas under the crops in question. The quantity of wheat on hand is also shown.

Wheat.			Oats.			Barley.		
Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.
206,465	27	5,574,555	449,534	34	15,284,156	30,831	30	924,930

The weather has been somewhat broken for the past ten days, and some damage may have been done, but it is difficult to say to what extent.

In the *New Zealand Gazette* of 5th July, 1900 (No. 60), the wheat on hand, available for all purposes, as from 28th February, 1900, was stated at 12,514,350 Bushels.

This has been disposed of as follows:—

For seed, 206,465 acres, at 2 bushels per acre	412,930
Consumption for population of 804,035, at 6 bushels, for 8 months ..	3,216,140
Wheat and flour exported from 28th February, 1900, to 30th October, 1900	2,191,752
	<u>5,820,822</u>
Leaving on hand at 30th October, 1900	6,693,528
The amount returned as on hand on 30th October, 1900, was	<u>4,506,412</u>
Leaving a deficit of	2,187,116

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Secretary for Agriculture.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN GIBSON BROWN MILLEN, of Feilding, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 4th day of February, 1901, at 2.30 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Palmerston North, 29th January, 1901.

In Bankruptcy.

A FIRST dividend, of 10s. in the pound, in the estate of HENRY AULIN, of Eketahuna, Storekeeper, is now payable at my office, Perry Street, Masterton, on all proved accepted claims.

Promissory notes for indorsements of dividend must be produced.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Masterton, 31st January, 1901.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that FREDERICK WILLIAM BUTLER, Jun., of Wellington, Saddler, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 13th day of February, 1901, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.
Wellington, 6th February, 1901.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JEREMIAH CREED, of Westport, Sawmiller, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 8th day of February, 1901, at 3 o'clock p.m.

A. D. BAYFIELD,
Deputy Official Assignee.
30th January, 1901.

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

Name of company: Shepherd's Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 11th August, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: No.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
Nominal capital: £5,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,472 10s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
Amount paid per share: 20s.
Amount called up per share: 20s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 3; £27 10s.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 67.
Present number of shareholders: 76.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £257 9s. 6d.
Total expenditure since registration: £3,478 0s. 7d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £5 10s. 7d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Shepherd's Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 198

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sailor's Bend Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 1st September, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: No.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
Nominal capital: £8,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,475 10s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
Amount paid per share: 20s.
Amount called up per share: 20s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 5; £24 10s.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 103.
Present number of shareholders: 174.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £386 4s. 11d.
Total expenditure since registration: £6,348 11s. 3d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £126 18s. 9d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Sailor's Bend Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 199

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Smith's Creek and Bannockburn Deep Lead Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 21st July, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: No.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
Nominal capital: £12,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,672.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £7,672.
Amount called up per share: 16s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 37; £328.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 139.
 Present number of shareholders: 172.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,194 1s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,529 3s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £142 16s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Smith's Creek and Bannockburn Deep Lead Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 200

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alexandra Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £10,649 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 14,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 14,000.
 Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £10,649 10s.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 18; £350 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 146.
 Present number of shareholders: 192.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £410 19s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £6,042 5s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £4,607 4s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Alexandra Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 183

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bannockburn Creek Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,464 4s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 10,000.
 Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £7,464 4s.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 33; £535 16s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 133.
 Present number of shareholders: 142.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £653 8s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,134 18s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £329 5s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3,000.

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

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 184

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Blue Duck Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,343 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,000.
 Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £5,343 10s.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 15; £156 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 98.
 Present number of shareholders: 128.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £963 4s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,887 8s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £543
 18s. 7d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Blue Duck Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 185

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Metallic Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th June, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,995 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £4 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 159.
 Present number of shareholders: 181.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £852 10s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £6,301 6s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £305 6s. 11d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Metallic Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 195

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Number Two Matau Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £995.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.

Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £5.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 100.
 Present number of shareholders: 132.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £463 6s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £903 3s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £91 16s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Number Two Matau Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 196

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Second Magnetic Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th June, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,500.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 9,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 101.
 Present number of shareholders: 151.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 23 oz. 4 dwt.; £89 6s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,191 11s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,054 8s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £554 8s. 9d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Second Magnetic Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 197

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Dunback Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 3rd November, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: No.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital: £5,250.

Amount of capital subscribed: £3,750.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,569 10s.

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

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

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,250.

Number of shares allotted: 3,750.

Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £2,569 10s.
Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 78; £1,180 10s.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 92.

Present number of shareholders: 95.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £196 2s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £2,318 19s. 2d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £250 10s. 10d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

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

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

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 189

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 31st May, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: No.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital: £17,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £14,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £12,022 5s.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 17,500.

Number of shares allotted: 17,500.

Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £12,022 5s.
Amount called up per share: £1 old issue; 10s. new issue of 3,500 shares.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 143; £727 15s.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 152.

Present number of shareholders: 201.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £495 5s. 7d.

Total expenditure since registration: £9,631 11s. 8d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £2,390 13s. 4d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

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

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Dunstan Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 190

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 10th March, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: No.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital: £13,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £9,077 10s.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 13,000.

Number of shares allotted: 13,000.

Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £9,077 10s.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 96; £922 10s.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 199.

Present number of shareholders: 165.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,655 5s.

Total expenditure since registration: £9,062 15s.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £14 15s.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,750.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Fraser Flat Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 191

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Voltaic Prospecting and Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 26th October, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: No.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital: £5,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,000.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.

Number of shares allotted: 5,000.

Amount paid per share: 8s.

Amount called up per share: 8s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 57.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £151 18s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,060 15s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £60 15s. 6d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Voltaic Prospecting and Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 201

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waimumu Extended Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th April, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £4,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,500.
 Amount paid per share: 20s.
 Amount called up per share: 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 22.
 Present number of shareholders: 52.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 493 oz. 0 dwt. 3 gr.; £1,896 7s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,465 10s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,162 6s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £265 18s. 2d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Waimumu Extended Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 202

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Cardrona No. 1 Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th April, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £5,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,300.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,682 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,200.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,500.
 Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £3,682 5s.
 Amount called up per share: 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 57; £617 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 50.
 Present number of shareholders: 86.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £327 16s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,087 11s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £594 13s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Cardrona No. 1 Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December last; and I hereby make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 186

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Davis Bend Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st May, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,248 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 11,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,500.
 Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £1,248 15s.
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 39; £551 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 101.
 Present number of shareholders: 125.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £433 19s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £814 15s. 4d.

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

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Davis Bend Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 188

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration : 7th August, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital : £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,400.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £5,885 12s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £1,600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 32,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 32,000.
 Amount paid per share : Various; total receipts, £5,885 12s.
 Amount called up per share : 5s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 95; £514 8s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 217.

Present number of shareholders : 254.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £429 16s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £5,959 6s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) :
 £78 14s. 6d.

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Golden River Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 192

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration : 13th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital : £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £5,900.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £4,431 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £1,600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 7,500.
 Amount paid per share : Various; total receipts, £4,431 5s.

Amount called up per share : 18s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 95; £878 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 117.

Present number of shareholders : 132.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £299 17s.

Total expenditure since registration : £3,602 19s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £828 5s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.

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

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Golden Vein Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 193

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration : 11th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not : No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Dunedin; Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun.

Nominal capital : £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £4,740 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided : 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 5,500.
 Amount paid per share : Various; total receipts, £4,740 5s.
 Amount called up per share : £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 64; £759 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 95.

Present number of shareholders : 102.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £365 10s. 6d.

Total expenditure since registration : £3,904 19s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £835 5s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.

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

I, Richard Thomas Wheeler, jun., the Legal Manager of the Great Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. T. WHEELER, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 194

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Central Mataura Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th June, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; George Arthur Harlow.
 Nominal capital: £27,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £20,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,001 17s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 27,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
 Amount paid per share: Various; total receipts, £4,001 17s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 148; £1,198 2s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 193.
 Present number of shareholders: 210.
 Number of men employed by company: 16.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 114 oz. 0 dwt. 12 gr.; £439 1s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,673 12s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3,232 13s. 5d.

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

G. A. HARLOW,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901,
 before me—David Larnach, J.P. 187

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Horowai Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd February, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney T. Mirams.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £757 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,460.
 Amount paid per share: 4s. (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share: 4s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 71; £534 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 50.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 108.
 Present number of shareholders: 105.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £453 15s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £303 19s. 3d.

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

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Horowai Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
 before me—William T. Talboys, J.P. 203

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gold Chair Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th March, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney T. Mirams.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,003 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,200.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 9,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,000.
 Amount paid per share: 8s., less arrears.
 Amount called up per share: 8s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 129; £1,716 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 143.
 Present number of shareholders: 141.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £460 8s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £543 6s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of such debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, Manager of the Gold Chair Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
 before me—William T. Talboys, J.P. 223

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Royal Maori Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney T. Mirams.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,440.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
 Amount paid per share: 18s. (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share: 18s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 39; £960 (last call due 12th January).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 74.
 Present number of shareholders; 118.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,212 13s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,227 6s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3,591 17s. 3d.

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Royal Maori Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
 before me—William T. Talboys J.P. 204

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Blue Bell Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th March, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney T. Mirams.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,107 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,200.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 9,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,000.
 Amount paid per share: 8s., less arrears.
 Amount called up per share: 8s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 113; £2,012 10s. (last call due 29th January).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 148.
 Present number of shareholders: 155.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £861 12s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £245 17s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, Manager of the Blue Bell Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
 before me—William T. Talboys, J.P. 224

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Pride of Tuapeka Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd May, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney T. Mirams.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,130.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 Amount paid per share: 13s., less arrears.
 Amount called up per share: 13s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 74; £1,145.
 Number of shares forfeited: 50.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 75.
 Present number of shareholders: 77.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,084 17s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £45 2s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,318 10s. 8d.

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, Manager of the Pride of Tuapeka Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
 before me—William T. Talboys, J.P. 225

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th August, 1897; 1st September, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch; H. A. Bruce.
 Nominal capital: £24,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £24,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,154 3s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £12,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £12,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 13s. per share on contributing shares.
 Amount called up per share: 13s. per share on contributing shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Calls Nos. 27 and 28; £21 13s. 4d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 4,050.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 550; £19 2s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 80.
 Present number of shareholders: 79.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Gold, 329 oz. 1 dwt. 22 gr.; £1,053 7s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Gold, 398 oz. 17 dwt. 22 gr.; £1,262 6s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,573 2s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration : £8,496 16s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £20 14s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) :
 £127 2s. 8d.

I, Harry A. Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. A. BRUCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 221

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Waiwhero Sluicing and Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration : 9th February, 1900 ;
 9th February, 1900.

Whether in active operation or not : Not yet working.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch ; H. A. Bruce, Secretary.

Nominal capital : £31,000.

Amount of capital subscribed : £31,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,333 15s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any) : £4,325.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid : £4,325 on paid-ups, and 10s. per share
 on 26,675 contributing shares.

Number of shares into which capital is divided : 31,000.

Number of shares allotted : 31,000.

Amount paid per share : 11s., contributing shares issued at
 10s. paid up.

Amount called up per share : 1s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.

Number of shares forfeited : Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany : 71.

Present number of shareholders : 80.

Number of men employed by company : Works let under
 contract.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year : Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration : Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year : £9,528 8s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration : £9,528 8s. 10d.

Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's : Nil.

Amount of cash in hand : Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company : £100, approxi-
 mate.

Amount of debts considered good : £100.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) :
 £78 13s. 11d., National Bank ; £3,000, debentures bonus,
 if earned ; £1,600, balance of contracts let.

I, Harry A. Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Waiwhero Sluicing and Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. A. BRUCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 218

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Marsden No. 1 Gold-dredging Company
 (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration : 27th October, 1899 ;
 27th October, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not : Not yet working.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch ; H. A. Bruce, Secre-
 tary.

Nominal capital : £6,000.

Amount of capital subscribed : £6,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £3,420 10s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of
 cash received for same (if any) : £1,500.

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

Number of shares into which capital is divided : 6,000.

Number of shares allotted : 6,000.

Amount paid per share : £1.

Amount called up per share : £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear : — ; £742.

Number of shares forfeited : Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany : 96.

Present number of shareholders : 91.

Number of men employed by company : Work being done by
 contract.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year : Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration : Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year : £3,020 8s. 11d.

Total expenditure since registration :

Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's and on deposit : £418 19s. 9d.

Amount of cash in hand : Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.

Amount of debts considered good : Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £1,107,
 balance of contracts.

I, Harry A. Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Marsden No. 1 Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. A. BRUCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 219

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Reeves Proprietary Gold-dredging Com-
 pany (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration : 26th September,
 1899 ; 19th October, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch ; H. A. Bruce, Secre-
 tary.

Nominal capital : £13,000.

Amount of capital subscribed : £13,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £8,700.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no
 cash has been paid : £2,500.

Number of shares into which capital is divided : 13,000.

Number of shares allotted : 11,200.

Amount paid per share : 20s.

Amount called up per share : 20s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.

Number of shares forfeited : 225.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same : 225 ; £27 10s. premium.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-
 pany : 173.

Present number of shareholders : 225.

Number of men employed by company : 7.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding year : Gold, 41 oz. 11 dwt. 9 gr. ; £165 15s.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since
 registration : Gold, 41 oz. 11 dwt. 9 gr. ; £165 15s.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations
 during preceding year : £8,534 1s. 9d.

Total expenditure since registration : £8,534 1s. 9d.

Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's : £198 8s. 3d.

Amount of cash in hand : Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,216.

I, Harry A. Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Reeves Proprietary Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. A. BRUCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 220

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Commissioner's Flat Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd April, 1900; 3rd April, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not yet working.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 140, Hereford Street, Christchurch; H. A. Bruce, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £13,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £13,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,998 15s., including premium 2s. 6d. on 4,500 shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £3,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 13,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 13,500.
 Amount paid per share: 8s.
 Amount called up per share: 8s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £1,763 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 46.
 Present number of shareholders: 93.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £630 1s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £630 1s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £2,368 13s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £100.

I, Harry A. Bruce, of Christchurch, the Manager of the Commissioner's Flat Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. A. BRUCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Christchurch, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—C. Thornton Dudley, J.P. 217

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sheddon's Waikaka Freehold Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th April, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; V. Logan.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,318.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £820 1s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,500.

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Amount called up per share: 11s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £302 14s.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 15.
 Present number of shareholders: 15.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £785 5s. 3d.
 Dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £34 19s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, V. Logan, of Dunedin, the Manager of Sheddon's Waikaka Freehold Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

V. LOGAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—J. J. Ramsay, J.P. 222

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: Formed 25th January, 1895; registered 22nd February, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: It is in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,729 6s. 8d., including £500 being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £528 5s. 5d.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £528 5s. 5d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 110,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s. 5d., and also equivalent to £500 being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 5d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 52; £119 7s. 4d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 70,838.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 24,423; £152 13s. 8d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 148.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 10 oz. 3dwt.; £26 17s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 53 oz. 15dwt.; £112 9s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £900 4s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,593 6s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £97 7s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £17 3s. 9d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £119 7s. 4d.
 Amount of such debts considered good: £119 7s. 4d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £15 17s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 17th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 214

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Barrier Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th December, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: It is in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £115,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £108,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £108,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £108,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 115,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 108,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 87.
 Present number of shareholders: 145.
 Number of men employed by company: 120.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: —; £8,457 9s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: —; £8,457 9s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £24,379 7s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £24,379 7s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 17s. 1d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £1,828 6s. 5d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £1,828 6s. 5d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £19,068 0s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Secretary of the Barrier Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 25th day of January, 1901, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 216

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kelly and Casey Beach Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Wm. Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £9,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,300.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,763 2s. (including premium on second issue of shares, £325).
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,200.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 9,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 9,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1 (first issue), 18s. (second issue).
 Amount called up per share: £1 (first issue), 18s. (second issue).
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 71; £731 18s. (including call due 5th January, 1901).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 72.
 Present number of shareholders: 149.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £267 3s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,629 17s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,133 4s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,300.

I, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of the Kelly and Casey Beach Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901, before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 205

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Teremakau Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: No.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Wm. Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,368 15s.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,223 14s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 44,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 37,475.
 Amount paid per share: 4s. 6d. (first issue), 3s. 6d. (second issue).
 Amount called up per share: 4s. 6d. (first issue), 3s. 6d. (second issue).
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 170; £2,334 8s. 6d. (including call due 22nd January, 1901).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 135.
 Present number of shareholders: 173.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £269 9s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,857 7s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,366 6s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £6,500.

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

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901, before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 206

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Cardrona Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th March, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £447 12s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil (shares to the value of £1,500 to be allotted).
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 11; £52 8s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 69.
 Present number of shareholders: 69.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £444 5s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £3 6s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Thomas Monkman, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Cardrona Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. THOMAS MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 207

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tacon's Cardrona Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,332 7s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,250.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 35; £417 13s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 103.
 Present number of shareholders: 112.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £297 3s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,633 8s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,698 18s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £26.
 Amount of debts considered good: £26.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,265.

I, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of Tacon's Cardrona Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do

solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 234

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: White Star Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th October, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,860.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 16; £140.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 75.
 Present number of shareholders: 94.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £213 14s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,485 15s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £3,374 4s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3,400.

I, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of the White Star Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 235

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rise and Shine Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th February, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Thomas Monkman.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,758 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid per share: 10s.
 Amount called up per share: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 162; £2,241 10s. (including call due 21st January, 1901).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 158.
 Present number of shareholders: 167.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,305 7s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £453 2s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £8,250.

I, William Thomas Monkman, the Legal Manager of the Rise and Shine Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. T. MONKMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Hardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 236

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tuapeka Gorge Hydraulic Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th October, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Ceased operations 14th December.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 33, Crawford Street, Dunedin; Thos. H. Thompson.
 Nominal capital: £1,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £201.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £111 2s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 1,201.
 Amount paid per share: 20s. on 5, 15s. on 35, 12s. 6d. on 85, 10s. on 26, 7s. 6d. on 20, 5s. on 25, nil on 5.
 Amount called up per share: 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 4; £11 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 11.
 Present number of shareholders: 23.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 3 oz. 10 dwt. 21 gr.; £13 12s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 3 oz. 10 dwt. 21 gr.; £13 12s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £152 8s. 11d., plus £1,100 in paid-up shares and cash given for property and plant.
 Total expenditure since registration: £152 8s. 11d., plus £1,100 in paid-up shares and cash given for property and plant.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: 8s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of liabilities of company (if any): £177 4s. 5d.

I, Thomas Henry Thompson, of Dunedin, Manager of the Tuapeka Gorge Hydraulic Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

T. H. THOMPSON,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1901, before me—Neville Sievwright, J.P. 226

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Richards' Beach Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Dunedin; Edward Ademar Cogan.
 Nominal capital: Ordinary, £8,000; preference, £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: Ordinary, £8,000; preference, £3,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Ordinary, £5,990; preference, £2,904 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Ordinary, £5,990; preference, £2,760.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Ordinary, £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: Ordinary, 8,000; preference, 3,000.
 Number of shares allotted: Ordinary, 8,000; preference, 3,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Ordinary, £10; preference, £95 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: Ordinary, 146; preference, 107.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 74 oz. 17 dwt. 6 gr.; £288 4s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 74 oz. 17 dwt. 6 gr.; £288 4s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £8,265 10s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,343 19s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £8 8s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £8 8s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Edward Ademar Cogan, the Secretary of the Richards' Beach Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. A. COGAN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 208

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Vincent Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th September, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Dunedin; Edward Ademar Cogan.
 Nominal capital: £5,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,800.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £4,800.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £700.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 5,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 163.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,890 oz. 9 dwt. 22 gr.; £7,282 14s. 7d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: £3,179 oz. 11 dwt. 17 gr.; £12,248 2s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,867 15s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration; £12,033 5s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £4,812 10s.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £4,810 15s.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £1 15s.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £301 15s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Edward Ademar Cogan, the Secretary of the Vincent Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. A. COGAN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 209

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Alexandra Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th December, 1898.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Dunedin; Edward Ademar Cogan.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £7,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided; 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,500.
 Amount paid per share: 20s.
 Amount called up per share: 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 159.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 353 oz. 11 dwt. 15 gr.; £1,353 1s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 353 oz. 11 dwt. 15 gr.; £1,353 1s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,425 9s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,758 17s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Edward Ademar Cogan, the Secretary of the New Alexandra Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. A. COGAN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 22nd day of January, 1901,
 before me—W. A. Walton, J.P. 210

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Electric Extended Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th May, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Yes.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; David Larnach.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,842.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,200.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 10,000.
 Amount paid per share: 18s.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 103; £958 (including call due 21st January, 1901).
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 94.
 Present number of shareholders: 192.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 30 oz. 9 dwt. 4 gr.; £117 5s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 30 oz. 9 dwt. 4 gr.; £117 5s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £7,252 10s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,665 9s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash overdrawn at banker's: £651 17s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £224 11s. 10d.

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

D. LARNACH,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901, before
 me—Thos. Ross, J.P. 211

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hau Hau Creek Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th February, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Wellington; James W. Jack.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,871 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £3,500; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,000.
 Amount paid per share: 19s.
 Amount called up per share: 19s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £453 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 46.
 Number of men employed by company: None at present.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,461 1s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,461 1s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,421 9s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Contracts accepted (for dredge, hull, and machinery, &c.), £1,896.

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

JAMES W. JACK,
Secretary.

Declared at Wellington, this 29th day of January, 1901,
before me—T. W. Young, J.P. 212

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Grey Duck Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 26th September, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Dunedin: George Milne MacLean.

Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £845 15s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
Number of shares allotted: 5,500.
Amount paid per share: 5s.
Amount called up per share: 5s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 70; £529 5s.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 88.
Present number of shareholders: 93.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
Total expenditure since registration: £561 0s. 5d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £284 14s. 7d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, George Milne MacLean, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Grey Duck Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEO. M. MACLEAN,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
before me—T. K. Sidey, J.P. 230

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Marsden No. 3 Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 28th March, 1900.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Dunedin; George Milne MacLean.

Nominal capital: £9,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,400.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 9,000.
Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
Amount paid per share: 18s.
Amount called up per share: 18s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 91; £1,711.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 109.

Present number of shareholders: 106 and 12=118.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.

Total expenditure since registration: £2,704 7s. 11d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £984 12s. 1d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,778 13s. 4d.

I, George Milne MacLean, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Marsden No. 3 Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEO. M. MACLEAN,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1901,
before me—T. K. Sidey, J.P. 229

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 1st August, 1899.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary:
14, Crawford Street, Dunedin; Eustace Henry Fulton.

Nominal capital: £5,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,987 10s.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,500.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,500, of £1 each.

Number of shares allotted: 5,500.

Amount paid per share: £1, less arrears.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £12 10s.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 60.

Present number of shareholders: 86.

Number of men employed by company: 7.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 94 oz. 16 dwt. 18 gr.; £365 2s. 3d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 689 oz. 2 dwt. 8 gr.; £2,654 6s. 6d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,583 19s. 4d.

Total expenditure since registration: £4,450 1s. 4d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £206 11s. 3d.

Amount of cash in hand: £1 2s. 4d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £12 10s.

Amount of debts considered good: £12 10s.

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

I, Eustace Henry Fulton, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Morning Star Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. H. FULTON,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 16th day of January, 1901,
before me—John Angus, J.P. 231

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Manuka Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd November, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: 14, Crawford Street, Dunedin; Eustace Henry Fulton.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £8.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,992.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,000.
 Number of shares allotted: Shares not yet allotted.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 8.
 Present number of shareholders: 8.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2 8s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £5 11s. 8d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,200, with interest at 8 per cent. from 1st January, 1901.

I, Eustace Henry Fulton, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Manuka Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."
 E. H. FULTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 16th day of January, 1901,
 before me—John Angus, J.P. 232

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gold King Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd January, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: 14, Crawford Street, Dunedin; Eustace Henry Fulton.
 Nominal capital: £10,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,540 9s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,500, of £1 each.
 Number of shares allotted: 10,500.
 Amount paid per share: 16s., less arrears.
 Amount called up per share: 16s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £1,859 11s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 122.
 Present number of shareholders: 194.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,376 0s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,140 3s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £32 10s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £6,086 5s. 7d.

I, Eustace Henry Fulton, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Gold King Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

E. H. FULTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 16th day of January, 1901,
 before me—John Angus, J.P. 233

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Mile Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th November, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Edwin C. Crawshaw.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,044.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,700.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 1,700 shares; £1 on 5,800 shares.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 121; £1,756.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 138.
 Present number of shareholders: 137.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £288 11s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £517 6s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £26 12s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £53 6s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £1,756.
 Amount of debts considered good: £1,756.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,550.

I, Edwin C. Crawshaw, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Golden Mile Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."
 EDWIN C. CRAWSHAW,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 17th day of January, 1901,
 before me—John Angus, J.P. 237

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: No Town No. 2 Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 8th May, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Holsted.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,400.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,482 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,600.

Number of shares into which capital is divided : 10,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 10,000.
 Amount paid per share : 12s.
 Amount called up per share : 12s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : — ; £2,957 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 57.
 Present number of shareholders : 69.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,004 18s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,004 18s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £377 19s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £102 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £5,047.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the No 2 Town No. 2 Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 238

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Ara Gold-sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 16th October, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Dunedin; William Holsted.
 Nominal capital : £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £3,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £534 7s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 4,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 2,375.
 Amount paid per share : 10s.
 Amount called up per share : 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : — ; £653 2s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 7.
 Present number of shareholders : 25.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £311 11s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £311 11s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £165 9s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £56 5s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £35.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Ara Gold-sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 239

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Crown Diamonds Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 3rd May, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Dunedin; William Holsted.
 Nominal capital : £8,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £442 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 8,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 6,500.
 Amount paid per share : 2s.
 Amount called up per share : 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : £227 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 51.
 Present number of shareholders : 62.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £327 12s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £327 12s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £114 17s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £18 15s.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Crown Diamonds Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 240

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Ponsonby Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 9th April, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :
 Dunedin; Wm. Holsted.
 Nominal capital : £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £361 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 6,000.
 Amount paid per share : 2s.
 Amount called up per share : 2s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : — ; £298 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 49.
 Present number of shareholders : 49.
 Number of men employed by company : Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £307 8s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £307 8s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £53 16s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 5s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £12 10s.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Ponsonby Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 241

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Dobson No. 2 Gold dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th August, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Holsted.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,479 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,500.
 Amount paid per share: 20s.
 Amount called up per share: 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £20 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 64.
 Present number of shareholders: 116.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 6 oz. 19 dwt. 6 gr.; £26 16s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 6 oz. 19 dwt. 6 gr.; £26 16s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,944 2s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,760 10s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £181 18s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £17 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,236 13s.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Dobson No. 2 Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 242

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Nelson Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st July, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Holsted.
 Nominal capital: £8,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,997 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.

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Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 49.
 Present number of shareholders: 100.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £5,146 5s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,458 18s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £538 6s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,200.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Nelson Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 243

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: No Town Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th March, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not active.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; William Holsted.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,603 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 11,150.
 Amount paid per share: 12s.
 Amount called up per share: 12s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £1,496 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 81.
 Present number of shareholders: 118.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,286 6s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,286 6s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,453 1s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £96 5s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £5,168 13s. 1d.

I, William Holsted, of Dunedin, the Manager of the No Town Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

W. HOLSTED,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Eardley C. Reynolds, J.P. 244

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ford's Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Keith Stuart Ramsay.
 Nominal capital: £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,997.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,500.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 10; £3.
 Number of shares forfeited: 125.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 125; £116 5s.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 69.
 Present number of shareholders: 97.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,997.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £5 2s. 11d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,413 13s. 4d.

I, Keith Stuart Ramsay, the Manager of the Ford's Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December last; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

K. STUART RAMSAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Keith Ramsay, J.P. 245

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Lady Charlton Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th February, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Keith Stuart Ramsay.
 Nominal capital: £13,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,159 15s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 13,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 13,000.
 Amount paid per share: 13s.
 Amount called up per share: 15s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 66; £2,090 5s. (including call due 30th January, 1901).
 Number of shares forfeited: 475.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 184.
 Present number of shareholders: 290.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,309 18s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £849 11s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 5s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £12 10s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £12 10s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,600 (estimated).

I, Keith Stuart Ramsay, the Manager of the Lady Charlton Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

K. STUART RAMSAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 11th day of January, 1901,
 before me—Keith Ramsay, J.P. 246

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alexandra Bonanza Gold-dredging and sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th September, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; John Davie.
 Nominal capital: £30,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £27,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,915 13s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 30,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 21,393.
 Amount paid per share: 10s. per share on "A" issue, 4s. per share on "B" issue.
 Amount called up per share: 10s. per share on "A" issue, 4s. per share on "B" issue.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 119; £2,362 19s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 150.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,745 13s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,385 4s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1,548 14s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £153 13s. 5d.

I, John Davie, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Alexandra Bonanza Gold-dredging and Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN DAVIE,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 18th day of January, 1901,
 before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 227

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Inch Dale Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 8th February, 1900.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Crawford Street, Dunedin; John R. Hooper.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,400.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

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

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000, of £1 each.

Number of shares allotted: 7,000.

Amount paid per share: 18s., less arrears.

Amount called up per share: 18s.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £2,550.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 132.

Present number of shareholders: 102.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.

Total expenditure since registration: £1,905 8s. 10d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £415 8s. 2d.

Amount of cash in hand: £15.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2,768.

I, John R. Hooper, of Dunedin, Secretary of the Inch Dale Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1900; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN R. HOOPER,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 18th day of January, 1901
before me—John Angus, J.P. 228

NOTICE is hereby given that the NEW ZEALAND CONSOLIDATED (LIMITED) will cease to carry on business in the Colony of New Zealand on the expiration of three months from the publication of this notice.

Dated at Inkerman Mine, near Reefton, this 24th day of January, 1901.

GEORGE G. DIXON,
Attorney for the New Zealand Consolidated
(Limited).

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THE OPHIR GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at the company's registered office, Colonial Mutual Buildings, Dunedin, on Tuesday, the 16th day of April, 1901, at 8 o'clock in the evening, 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 disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators, and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the Liquidators thereof, shall be disposed of.

Dated the 1st day of February, 1901.

WM. ERIC REYNOLDS,
FERD. C. BATCHELOR,
Liquidators.

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In the matter of the Hartley Colliery Company (Limited).

At an extraordinary general meeting of the members of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at the registered office of the company, Christchurch, on the 29th day of January, 1901, 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 that William Alfred Moss, of Christchurch, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding-up."

Dated this 30th day of January, 1901.

CHAS. DUGGAN,
Chairman.

Witness—Fred. Fuller, Solicitor, Christchurch. 370

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the Deua River (New South Wales) Gold-dredging Company (Limited), held on the 17th day of January, 1901, the following extraordinary resolution was passed:—

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the company that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the company."

ALLAN HOLMES,
Solicitor for the Company.

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THE OURAWERA GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. ROBERT ERSKINE has been appointed Manager of the above company, in place of Mr. A. K. Erskine, deceased.

JOHN FORSYTH,
WM. GUNN, } Directors.

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In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884"; and in the matter of the Royal Oak of Hauraki (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the above-named company to cease carrying on business in this colony, the said company being now in liquidation.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1901.

BUDDLE, BUTTON, AND CO.,
Attorneys for the Liquidator of the said Company.

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THE WAIPORI GOLD LEAD DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

At an extraordinary general meeting of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at Wood's Hotel, Rattray Street, Dunedin, on the 25th day of January, 1901, the following extraordinary resolutions were passed:—

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

(2) "That William Wood, of Dunedin, Confectioner, and George Milne MacLean, of Dunedin, Accountant, be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the company."

WM. WOOD,
Chairman.

Witness—A. E. Gascoigne, Solicitor, Dunedin. 359

Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

862, 863, 864, 865. MARY FISHER.—Sections 77, 81, 82, 85, Huia District, 95 acres 3 roods 14 perches. Occupied by Applicant, and, as regards Section 77, by Stephen Limmer.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office (Plan 1601).

Dated this 1st day of February, 1901, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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

859, 860, 861. JOB WILLS.—Part of Sections 18 and 27 and 28, Fitzroy District, 68 acres and 33 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office (Plan 1596).

Dated this 31st day of January, 1901, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 7th day of March, 1901.

2814. THOMAS DEW.—2 roods 4 perches, part of Section 207, Taratahi Plain Block (Borough of Carterton). Occupied by Applicant.

3058. JAMES FITZGERALD.—10 acres and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, Section 78, Township of Carterton. Occupied by David Thomas King as lessee.

3069. THE WAIRARAPA BACON AND FREEZING COMPANY (LIMITED).—1 acre, part Section 207, Tara-tahi Plain Block (Borough of Carterton). Occupied by Applicant.

3072. MARY HEWSON.—1 rood 16 perches, part Section 59, City of Wellington. Occupied by G. Remington, J. Cook, and James McKinnon as tenants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1901, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

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W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

NOTICE is hereby given that the parcel of land herein after 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 date of publication hereof.

495. EDWARD GOODWIN FORTESCUE ZOHRAB and CONSTANTINE ERNEST HENRY ZOHRAB.—32 perches, Section 38 and part of Section 39, Town of Havelock. Occupied by Enoch Crosby as lessee.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 1st day of February, 1901, at the Lands Registry Office, Blenheim.

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J. ALLEN,
District Land Registrar.

NOTICE is hereby given that the parcel of land herein after 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.

8953. JAMES WILLIAM TROUNCE.—4 acres, Lots 101, 102, 104, 106, and 108, Plan 121, part of Rural Section 182, Block XIV., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 5th day of February, 1901, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

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G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

Z. 829. LEASE No. 2791, of Sections 265 and 266, Town of Inglewood, from the INGLEWOOD TOWN BOARD to GEORGE PAYNE.—The lessor having re-entered for non-payment of rent, it is my intention to notify such re-entry upon the Register, in Vol. xvii., folio 198, at the expiration of one month from the date of the Gazette containing this notice.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1901, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

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R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

Private Advertisements.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE LAND.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," and the several Acts amending the same, "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1899," and "The Public Works Act, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Wellington proposes, under the provisions of the above-mentioned Acts, to execute a certain public work—namely, the widening of Riddiford Street so as to make it 66 ft. wide—and also proposes under the like provisions to take, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," the lands described in the Schedule hereto. And notice is hereby further given that a plan showing the lands required to be taken, together with the names of the owners and occupiers of such lands, so far as they can be ascertained, is deposited in the public office of the Town Clerk to the said Council, situate at Brandon Street and Panama Street, in the said city, and is open for public inspection without fee by all persons during ordinary office hours; and that all persons affected by the taking of the said lands shall, if they have any well-grounded objections to the taking of such lands, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing within forty (40) days from the first publication of this notice to the said City Council, addressed to the Town Clerk at the offices of such Council, situate in Brandon Street, in the same city.

SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Part of Town Acre No.	Situated in	Coloured on said Deposited Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 8-86	957	The City of Wellington	Red.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1901.

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J. E. PAGE,
Town Clerk.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

WE, the undersigned WILLIAM CRICHTON and JOSEPH EDWARD ROE, hereby give notice that the Partnership hitherto existing between us under the title of "Crichton and Roe," Architects, at Masterton, is dissolved by mutual consent from the 1st day of January, 1901. The business will in future be conducted by J. E. Roe, who will collect all accounts and discharge all liabilities of the late firm.

Dated 14th January, 1901.

JOSEPH E. ROE,
WM. CRICHTON.

C. A. POWNALL, Solicitor for parties, Masterton. 414

COPY OF REGISTER OF MONEY UNCLAIMED held by the Wellington Building and Investment Company (Limited):—

Name, Occupation, and Last Known Address of Owner on Books.	Amount due to Owner.	Description of Unclaimed Money.	Date of Last Claim.
Mills, Henry, Greytown North	£ s. d. 2 18 1	Dividend (the first) of 30s. per share on two shares in Northern Land, Loan, and Building Company, of Wellington (Limited), now wound up; dividend (the second) of 4s. per share on two shares in same company; dividend (final) of 2s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per share on two shares in same company	No claim made.
Matthews, Chas., Princes Street, Dunedin, N.Z.	5 16 2	Dividend (the first) of 30s. per share on four shares in Northern Land, Loan, and Building Company, of Wellington (Limited), now wound up; dividend (the second) of 4s. per share on four shares in same company; dividend (the final) of 2s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per share on four shares in same company	No claim made.
Grosvenor, Edward, 17, Macquarie Street (South), Sydney, N.S.W.	1 0 0	Dividend (final) of 2s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per share on ten shares in Northern Land, Loan, and Building Company, of Wellington (Limited), now wound up	24th March, 1892.

For the Wellington Building and Investment Company (Limited).
R. M. SIMPSON,
Secretary.

In the matter of "The Unclaimed Moneys Act, 1898."
REGISTER OF MONEY UNCLAIMED held by the
 Mosgiel Woollen Factory Company (Limited):—

Name, Occupation, and Last Known Address of Owner on Books.	Total Amount due to Owner.	Description of Unclaimed Money.	Date of Last Claim.
Gilbert Grant, Farm-labourer, Glenore, Otago	£ s. d. 5 4 8	Dividends in the Mosgiel Woollen Factory Company (Limited), on two shares, from 1st May, 1891, to 21st November, 1900	No claim been made.

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SEED WHEATS.

Department of Agriculture,
 Wellington, N.Z., 15th June, 1900.

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