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Allocating Land reserved and taken for a Railway to the Purposes of a Street in the Borough of Kaiapoi.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto forms part of land taken for the purposes of the Hurunui-Waitaki Railway, and it is considered desirable to allocate such land to the purposes of a street:

And whereas it has been certified by the Minister for Railways that such land is not required for railway purposes: And whereas such land is situated in the Borough of Kaiapoi, the local authority of which has consented to the issue of this Proclamation:

And whereas His Excellency the Governor is of opinion that the said local authority can conveniently construct and maintain the said street:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by section one hundred and seventy-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall, upon the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, become a street, and that the said street shall be under the control of the Corporation of the Borough of Kaiapoi, and shall be maintained by the said Corporation in like manner as other public highways are controlled and maintained by the said Corporation.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, in the Rangiora Survey District, containing 32 perches, more or less, being a strip of railway land 100 links wide, and being portions of Allotments 54 and 55 of Rural Section 321, in the Borough of Kaiapoi. Bounded on the north-east by Fuller Street, a distance of 220.9 links; on the west by Otaki Street, a distance of 100.5 links; and on the north and south by other portions of the said railway land, distances of 107.9 links and 294.8 links respectively.

Also all that area in the Canterbury Land District, in the Rangiora Survey District, containing 3 roods 18 perches, more or less, being a strip of railway land 100 links wide, and being portions of Allotments 63, 64, and 65 of Rural Section 321, and a portion of Rural Section 365, in the Borough of Kaiapoi. Bounded on the east by Otaki Street, a distance of 100.5 links; on the north-west by the road leading to Rangiora; on the north by other portion of the said railway

land, a distance of 790 links; and on the south by the southern boundary and other portions of the said railway land, a distance of 936 links.

As the said parcels of land are more particularly delineated on the plan marked 11432, deposited in the office of the Minister for Railways, at Wellington, and thereon coloured purple.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 eighteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. G. WARD,
Minister for Railways.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken from Small Grazing-run for a Road, in Block XVI., Mangaone Survey District.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section two hundred and three of "The Land Act, 1885," section one hundred and seventy-seven of "The Land Act, 1892," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf (including in so far as may be necessary "The Public Works Act, 1894"), I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the piece of land in the Mangaone Survey District hereinafter described is taken for a road, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 1 1	86	XVI.	Mangaone	R. 1078	Pink.

In the Wellington Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as

ERRATUM.—In *New Zealand Gazette* No. 41, of the 25th April, 1901, page 948, for "James Henry Ross," appointed Lieutenant, New Zealand Militia, read "James Horatio Ross."

above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, being part of the land held by James Francis Heckler under lease as a small grazing-run, dated the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 eighteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Block XVI., Mangaone Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Approximate Area of Road closed.	Being through Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 0 19	84	XVI.	Mangaone	R. 1078	Green.

In the Wellington Land District; as the same is delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 eighteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for a Road, Mangaone and Kopuaranga Survey Districts.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consents of the owners and of the mortgagees of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Masterton County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said land is situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as taken for a road the lands in the Mangaone and Kopuaranga Survey Districts hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Section or Portion of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 24	84	XVI.	Mangaone	R. 1078	Blue.
1 2 0	91	"	"	"	Green
3 3 13	92	III.	Kopuaranga	"	Blue.

All in the Wellington Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as

above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 eighteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands in Otago withdrawn from Lease as Village Settlements.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the Proclamation of the twenty-fourth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in so far as it relates to the sections of land enumerated in the Schedule hereto, and do declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the said sections are hereby withdrawn from lease as village settlements.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

SECTIONS Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, Block XVI., Maniototo Survey District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land set apart for Special Settlement, Auckland Land District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—KAWHIA COUNTY.

Otanake Special Settlement.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks II., III., VI., VII., IX., and XI., Otanake Survey District, and Block XII., Maungamangero Survey District, containing by admeasurement 8,000 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north by Karutewhenua No. 3c Section 2 Block, 10650 links; by Karutewhenua No. 3d Section 3 Block, 500 and 6350 links: towards the east and south by the Pukenui Block, 2850 links; by Maraetaua Nos. 2, 1, and 3 Blocks respectively, 1885, 10981, 671, 5656, 9500, 6600, 6360, and 3400 links respectively; thence by the Mokau River to Karutewhenua No. 1c Section 3 Block; thence by the Karutewhenua No. 1c Section 3 Block aforesaid, 5000, 4000, and 1800 links respectively; thence by the Mokau River to Karutewhenua No. 1c Section 1 Block; thence by the aforesaid block, 1100 links; thence by the Te Kuiti-Awakino Road, 4800 links; thence by Kaingapii No. 4 Block, 900, 1201,

1926, 433, 6046, and 400 links; thence by the Mangakowhai Stream to the Mangakowhai Bridge; thence by the Te Kuiti-Awakino Road aforesaid, 100 links; thence by Kaingapipi Nos. 7, 11, and 8 Blocks respectively, 18800 links; thence by Kinohaku East No. 5b Block, 3700 links: towards the west and north by Kinohaku East No. 4b No. 3 Block, 2100 links; thence by Kinohaku East No. 4b Section 2 Block, 3650 and 1850 links respectively; thence by Kinohaku East No. 4b Section 4, 2350 links; thence by Kinohaku East Nos. 4e and 3d Blocks respectively, 2150, 150, 1374, 1091, 3520, and 5800 links respectively; thence by the Kinohaku East No. 3a Block (Te Ureure), 1312, 746, 248, 365, 312, 480, 1071, and 920 links; thence by the Kinohaku East No. 3d Block (Arapae), 8900, 460, 600, 480, and 450 links; thence by Kinohaku East No. 2 (Pakeho No. 16) Block, 6240 links; thence by the Mangakowai Stream; thence by the Kinohaku East No. 3a Section 2 (Tokitoki) Block, 5600 and 5110 links; thence by Kinohaku East No. 3d (Arapae) and No. 2 (Pakeho No. 20) Blocks, 2791, 862, 2360, 2099, 3807, 2335, 3100, 2100, and 2100 links respectively; thence by Kinohaku East No. 2 (Pakeho No. 24), 2500, 7402, 1926, 2450, and 300 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: excepting from the above-described area the Karuotwhenua No. 4 Block: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49344, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Taking Land for a Road through Sections 8 and 16, Block VI., Weber Survey District.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892." I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owners and of the mortgagees of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Weber Road Board, being the local authority in whose district the said lands are situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 28	8	VI.	Weber	R.1056	Blue.
1 2 16	16	"	"	"	Red.

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed in Block VI., Weber Survey District.

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

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

Area of Portion of Road closed.	Being Portion of Section	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 0 33	16	VI.	Weber	R. 1056	Green

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same is delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Additional Land taken in Turanganui and Waimata Survey Districts for the Purposes of the Gisborne-Karaka Railway.

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

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Gisborne-Karaka Railway to take further land in Turanganui and Waimata Survey Districts, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

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

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 0 3 29	Makauri Block No. 34c	II.	Turanganui.
0 2 7	Subdiv. 1 of 51	IX.	Waimata.
5 0 16-8	Lot 52		
45 2 0	Crown land	IX.	Waimata.

All in the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plans marked P.W.D. 20099, 20100, and 19703, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red and purple.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Land in Whangape Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Approximate Area of the Portion of Road closed.	Passing through Section	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 3 7	4	I.	Whangape	R. 4436	Green.

In the Auckland Land District; as the same is delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for a Road, Whangape Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owner of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Hokianga County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said lands are situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as taken for a road the lands in Whangape Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Section or Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 1 36	4	I.	Whangape	R. 4436	Red.
0 0 3	4	"	"	"	"
0 1 0	4	"	"	"	"

All in the Auckland Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Gravel-pit, Taratahi Plain Block, Tiffin Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and its amendments, for a certain work, to wit, for the purpose of a gravel-pit, in Tiffin Survey District:

And whereas the Taratahi-Carterton Road Board has laid before the Governor a memorial, accompanied by a map, and also the statutory declaration required by the said Act: Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette* the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purpose of a gravel-pit.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 0 0	Carter's Estate, Section 116	XI.	Tiffin	R. 4331	Pink.

In the Wellington Land District; as the said parcel of land is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming the Taking of Land for a Road through Sections 7 and 8, Block I., Waikaka Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 3 22	7	I.	Waikaka	R. 4440	Red.
0 2 10	8	"	"	"	"

In the Land District of Southland; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as

above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Lands in Waikaka Survey District, Southland County.

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

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

Area of the Portions of Road closed.	Being Part of Road through Section	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 3 17 0 2 7	7 8	I. "	Waikaka "	R. 4440 "	Green. "

As the same are more particularly delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for a Road in Section 8, Block IX., Wendon Survey District, Southland County.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owner of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Southland County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said land is situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as taken for a road the land in Wendon Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 1 10 0 3 10 0 0 10	8	IX.	Wendon	R. 4468	Red.

In the Southland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as

above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed in Wendon Survey District.

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

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

Approximate Area of Road closed.	Passing through Section	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 36 0 2 7 0 0 15	8	IX.	Wendon ..	R. 4468	Green.

In the Southland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for widening Adelaide Road, in the City of Wellington.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, the widening of a street in the City of Wellington known as Adelaide Road, in pursuance of powers granted by "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," and "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1899," and "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900":

And whereas the Council of the City of Wellington has laid before the Governor the memorial, accompanied by a map, and also the statutory declaration, as required by "The Public Works Act, 1894":

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of the other Acts hereinbefore mentioned, and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of widening the said street, and shall vest in the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section	Situated in the	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 21.4	758	City of Wellington	R. 3850	Green border.

In the Land District of Wellington; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Land in Aparima Hundred, Wallace County.

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

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

Approximate Area of the Portion of Road closed.	Through	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 3 6.8 2 2 24.6	{ Part of Allotment No. 22, L.T. Plan No. 120, Block I., Aparima Hundred	R. 4071	Green.

In the Southland Land District; as the same is delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.
GOD SAVE THE KING!

Taking Land for a Road through Block I., Aparima Hundred.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 1 24.5	Part of Allotment No. 22, L.T. Plan No. 120, Block I., Aparima Hundred	R. 4071	Red.

In the Southland Land District; as the same is delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Revoking Proclamations.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section six of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby revoke those Proclamations, issued under section thirteen of the said Act, dated the thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and two, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the second of October, one thousand nine hundred and two, page 2172, taking land for a road and closing a road in Section 22, Block I., Aparima Hundred, in the Land District of Southland.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Quarry in Block XV., Mahurangi Survey District.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, for the purpose of a quarry, in Block XV., Mahurangi Survey District:

And whereas an agreement has been entered into with the owner in terms of section twenty-six of "The Public Works Act, 1894," to take such land for the public work hereafter set forth, and the Minister has given his certificate in terms of section eighty-five of the said Act:

And whereas a plan has been prepared, and the Minister has recommended the Governor to issue a Proclamation taking the land as required by the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, and being satisfied of the sufficiency of the agreement hereinbefore referred to, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the

New Zealand Gazette, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purpose of a quarry.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Section or Part of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 0	Southern portion 150, Mahurangi Parish	XV.	Mahurangi	R. 4371	Red.

In the Auckland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Road in Block XIII., Invercargill Hundred.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, for the purposes of a road:

And whereas the Southland County Council has laid before the Governor a memorial, accompanied by a map, and also the statutory declaration required by the said Act:

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

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Part of Section	Situated in Block No.	Situated in	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 24.9	26	XIII.	Invercargill Hundred	R. 4477	Red.

In the Southland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Land in Block II., Wai-iti Survey District, Waimea County.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

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

Area of the Portion of Road closed.	Being Portion of Road fronting Sections	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 13	72 and 73, Sq. 2	II.	Wai-iti	R. 4457	Green.

As the same is delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Road through Section 72, Square 2, Wai-iti Survey District.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owners of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Waimea County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said land is situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as taken for a road the land in the Wai-iti Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 3 1	72, Square 2	II.	Wai-iti	R. 4457	Red.

In the Nelson Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight Grand Cross 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 second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Consenting to closing Portion of Road through Paraekaretu Block, Block IX., Ongo Survey District, Rangitikei County.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section twelve, subsection one, of "The Public Works Acts Amendment Act, 1900," it is enacted that a local authority shall not declare any county or district road to be stopped, and such road shall not be deemed to be stopped, until the consent thereto of the Governor by Order in Council gazetted is obtained:

And whereas the Rangitikei County Council has applied for such consent in respect to the portion of the road described in the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and in exercise of the above-in-part-recited Act, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby consent to the closing of the part of the road mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Area of Road to be closed.	Being through or on Frontage of Section	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 6 0 11	29	IX.	Ongo	R.4162	Green.

In the Wellington Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing the Opotiki Town Board to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of the Opotiki Harbour as a Site for a Wharf and Store.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

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 Opotiki Town Board (hereinafter called "the Board") has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under the said Act to occupy a part of the foreshore, and of the land below low-water mark adjacent thereto, in Opotiki Harbour, in order to erect a wharf and store thereon; 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. 2362) showing the area of foreshore and land below low-water mark intended to be occupied, and the manner in which it is proposed to erect the wharf and store: And whereas the Governor in Council has approved of the purpose for which the said foreshore and land below low-water mark are to be occupied: And whereas it is expedient that a license should be granted and issued to the Board 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 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 that part of the foreshore and of the land below low-water mark on which the wharf, with store thereon, is to be erected, as shown on the plan so deposited as aforesaid, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining the said wharf and store thereon; such license to 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 and of the land below low-water mark necessary for the erection of the wharf and store, as shown on plan marked M.D. 2362.

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

4. 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 and store without payment.

5. The Board shall maintain the abovementioned wharf and store 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.

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

7. Nothing herein contained shall authorise the Board 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.

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

9. 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 previous written consent of the Minister first obtained.

10. 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 address of the Board.

11. The Board shall appoint all officers necessary for the control and management of the wharf and store.

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

13. In case the Board shall—

(1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them; or

(2.) Cease to use or occupy the said wharf and store for a period of thirty days,

then and in either of the said cases this Order in Council and every right, power, or privilege 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.

14. The construction of the wharf and store shall be sufficient evidence of the acceptance by the Board of the terms and conditions of this Order in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the Rangitikei County Council.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto has been permanently reserved for public-pound purposes:

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 28 perches, more or less, being Section No. 5, Block XI., Town of Taihape. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 4, Block XI., Town of Taihape, towards the south-east by a public road, towards the south-west by a public road, and towards the north-west by Suburban Section No. 35, Taihape; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48410, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Terms and Conditions of Lease of a Village-homestead Allotment in Southland.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by a Proclamation made under section one hundred and sixty-eight of "The Land Act, 1892," on the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, Sections Nos. 5 to 7, Block XIX., Chatton Survey District, Southland Land District, were set apart for sale or lease as village allotments: And whereas by an Order in Council of the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, it was declared that the lands described in the First Schedule thereto should be disposed of at the option of the applicant either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or on lease in perpetuity: And whereas it is expedient to revoke the aforesaid Order in Council in so far as it relates to Sections Nos. 5 to 7, Block XIX., Chatton Survey District, Southland Land District:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby revoke the Order in Council of the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in so far as it relates to the aforesaid Sections Nos. 5 to 7, Block XIX., Chatton Survey District, Southland Land District, and doth hereby fix the terms and conditions on which they shall be disposed of by way of lease in perpetuity, and which said terms and conditions are set forth in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—CHATTON SURVEY DISTRICT (CHATTON VILLAGE).

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD LAND.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
5 to 7	XIX.	0 3 20	4 0	0 1 9

Situated about eight miles from Gore. Land level; soil, good black loam. Limit of holding in this village is 25 acres.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

1. THE above land is first-class land, and is a village-homestead allotment, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").

2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Tuesday, the 24th day of February, 1903.

3. The rental stated above shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. The lessee shall not hold more than 25 acres, including that already held, and all allotments shall be held for his or her sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 60 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 3596 and formerly part of Reserve No. 1816, situate in Block VII., Waitaki Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the said Reserve No. 1816, 1506 links; towards the east by the road forming the western boundary of Sections Nos. 28388 and 28225, 4151.6 links; towards the south by a road-line, 1543.6 links; and towards the west by the railway reserve, 3815.4 links: be all the aforesaid

linkages more or less: as the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 48639, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged pink.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Addition to Mangatainoka Domain brought under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 3 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 30, 31, and 32, Block XVII., Mangahao Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 33, Block XVII., Mangahao Survey District; towards the east by a main road; towards the south-west by a cross road; and towards the west by Section No. 83, Block XVII., Mangahao Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 47482, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Revoking the Delegation of Powers under "The Cemeteries Act, 1885," to the Tuapeka County Council in respect to the Miller's Flat Cemetery.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council issued on the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, the powers conferred upon the Governor by section six of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," as to the appointment and removal of trustees, were delegated to the Tuapeka County Council in respect to the Miller's Flat Cemetery: And whereas it is expedient to revoke the said delegation:

Now, therefore, His Excellency Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke the delegation to the Tuapeka County Council of the powers conferred upon the Governor by section six of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," in respect to the Miller's Flat Cemetery, described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 3 roods 5 perches, more or less, being Section No. 63, Block III., Bengier Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 17, 700 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 18, 550 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 18, 677 links; and towards the south-west by a road-line, 550 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

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

DONALD KENNEDY,
MICHAEL COONEY,
WILLIAM BEER,
ALEXANDER FORSYTH, and
JOSEPH CALLAGHAN

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

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

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

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

4. The members of the Board shall, at their first meeting, and thereafter at an annual meeting to be held on the first Wednesday in February 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, incapacity, or otherwise, the office of Chairman shall be or become vacant, the members may at any monthly or special meeting appoint a Chairman.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 60 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 3596, and formerly part of Reserve No. 1816, situate in Block VII., Waitaki Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the said Reserve No. 1816, 1506 links; towards the east by the road forming the western boundary of Sections Nos. 28388 and 28225, 4151.6 links; towards

the south by a road-line, 1543.6 links; and towards the west by the railway reserve, 3815.4 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 48639, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged pink.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

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 thirty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and two, making delegation of certain powers in manner as therein appears; and doth hereby, with the like advice and consent, and in respect of the land hereinafter mentioned, delegate all the powers conferred by the said Act, except the powers conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, for the period of ten years from the date hereof (unless previously altered or revoked under the said Act), to the undermentioned persons, who shall be known as the Mangatainoka Domain Board, namely,—

JOSEPH POLGLASE, of Mangatainoka, settler;
ROBERT CADE, of Mangatainoka, settler;
THOMAS DRAY, of Mangatainoka, settler;
ANDREW QUINLAN, of Mangatainoka, settler; and
ABRAHAM BARRELL, of Mangatainoka, butcher

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

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

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

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

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

5. The Board shall prepare and submit at each annual meeting a report of the proceedings of the Board for the previous year ending on the 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, incapacity, or otherwise, the office of Chairman shall be or become vacant, the members may at any monthly or special meeting appoint a Chairman.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 2½ acres 3 roods 5 perches, more or less, being Section No. 79, Block XVIII., Mangahao Survey District, in the

Wellington Land District. Bounded towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 82 and 78, 1884 links; towards the south-east by a public road, 1100 links; towards the south-west by Sections Nos. 84 and 80, 2077 links; and towards the north-west by a public road along the proper right bank of the Mangatainoka River, 1117 links: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

Also all that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 3 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 30, 31, and 32, Block XVII., Mangahao Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 33, Block XVII., Mangahao Survey District; towards the east by a main road; towards the south-west by a cross road; and towards the west by Section No. 83, Block XVII., Mangahao Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 47482, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

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

ALEXANDER McDONALD,
JOHN ABRAHAM HEWITT,
PATRICK HENRY LYNCH,
JAMES PURDON LOMAX, and
JAMES O'HAGAN

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the second Friday in each month, at noon, at Kumeroa, 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 Friday, the thirteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and three.

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

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

4. The members of the Board shall, at their first meeting, and thereafter at an annual meeting to be held on the second Friday 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, incapacity, or otherwise, the office of Chairman shall be or become vacant, the members may at any monthly or special meeting appoint a Chairman.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, Tahoraite Survey District, containing by admeasurement 10 acres, more or less, being Section No. 1, Block V., Village of Kumeroa; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Money-order Rules and Regulations.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of December, 1902.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section sixty-four of "The Post Office Act, 1900," it is enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make arrangements with any postal authority for the transmission through the medium of the post-office or the electric telegraph by means of money-orders of any money to and from any place whatsoever, and for the reciprocal delivery and payment of the same, and may fix rates of charges for such transmission, delivery, and payment, and may make such regulations as he deems expedient for carrying such arrangements into effect:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, including, *inter alia*, the transmission through the medium of the electric telegraph of money within and beyond New Zealand at rates of commission lower than those heretofore levied; and doth order and declare that such regulations and such lowered rates of commission shall have effect on and after the publication of this Order in Council in the *New Zealand Gazette*, and that thereupon all former regulations on the same subject shall be deemed to be revoked.

SCHEDULE.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL POSTMASTERS IN CHARGE OF MONEY-ORDER OFFICES.

Hours of business.

1. ALL money-order offices in New Zealand must be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., except on Saturdays, when they must not be closed before 5 p.m., with the exception of the Chief Offices at Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin, Gisborne, Grey-mouth, Invercargill, Napier, Nelson, New Plymouth, Thames, Wanganui, and Wellington, also Newton (Auckland), which close at 1 p.m. on Saturdays. The offices named will, however, when English mails are despatched later than 1 p.m. on Saturdays, remain open until 2 p.m.

Holidays.

2. No money-order business is to be transacted on Sundays, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, the King's Birthday, and the Prince of Wales's Birthday, except by special direction.

Official secrecy.

3. The Postmaster is strictly forbidden to divulge to the public any information relative to the advices of money-orders payable at his office.

No fees.

4. The Postmaster must not, under any pretence whatever, demand a fee for cashing a money-order.

Letter-carriers, &c., not bound to procure money-orders, &c.

5. No letter-carrier or other servant of the Post Office is bound to procure a money-order for any person, or to procure payment of one, but such services are not forbidden.

Cases not provided for in these Instructions. Caution.

6. When any case occurs which is not provided for in the rules relating to money-order business it must be reported. The Postmaster will be held responsible to the Postmaster-General for neglecting to report such cases to his Chief Postmaster, and for any loss resulting from such neglect.

Books, &c.

7. The books and forms required for the business of a money-order office are described in Form P.O. No. 108, and the Postmaster must make timely application for the renewal of any stock before it becomes exhausted.

Application for forms and disposal of correspondence.

(a.) The applications for books, forms, stationery, the reports of irregularities, and the correspondence generally in connection with money-order business must, when coming from sub-offices, unless required by these rules to be addressed otherwise, be addressed to their respective Chief Postmasters; and the Chief Postmasters must in like manner communicate with the Controller Money-order, Office, General Post Office, Wellington.

Correction of list of money-order offices. Official Circulars to be carefully noted.

8. When notice is given in the Official Circular or otherwise of the opening of any new office, whether within New Zealand or elsewhere, or of any change whatever relative to money-order offices, the Postmaster must immediately make the necessary correction in the list of money-order offices affected. He must carefully examine the Official Circular every month, and note any such information and any instruction relating to money-order business.

Supply of money-order and advice forms to be examined, and irregularities reported.

9. The Postmaster must be careful to examine the money-order and advice forms supplied to him immediately upon their receipt, and he must report all irregularities on the receipt form. If any order be omitted in the series supplied to him he will, when he reaches the missing number, make a note in the Statement of Money Orders Issued, thus: "No. not supplied."

Forms and advices to be securely kept.

10. The Postmaster's stock of money-order and advice forms and second and corrected advice forms must be kept in his own custody, under lock and key, in some place of security to which none of the persons employed in his office or in his private business have access. He will be held responsible for any loss arising from fraud committed through a disregard of this regulation.

Missing forms and advices.

11. Should the Postmaster miss any order and advice forms he must make instant and careful search for them in every receptacle in his office, and should he fail to find them he must at once report the loss by telegraph, giving the numbers of the forms, to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Offices on which orders may be granted.

12. The Postmaster may grant an order payable at any office named in the list of money-order offices; but he must not grant an order on any other place, nor, in filling up a money-order, use any other designation than that given in that list. Where two or more offices of the same name exist, the full designation of such offices as given in the Money-order List must be given in the order and advice, and the latter must be addressed in the fullest manner.

Misdirection of money-order advices.

13. It is of the utmost importance that all advices should be filled up and addressed in a correct and legible manner. When an advice reaches an office for which it is not intended it should be at once redirected and forwarded, while at the same time the irregularity should be reported to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Scale of money-order commission, and list of places upon which orders may be granted.

14. In granting money-orders, commission must be charged according to the following scales, viz.:—

By Post.

For Sums	For Money-orders payable in		
	New Zealand (including Cook Islands, Niue, and Penrhyn Island).	Australian Commonwealth, Samoa, and Fiji.	United Kingdom, Hongkong (Chinese Agencies, Japan, and Corea), Straits Settlements, Ceylon (and Egypt), Cape of Good Hope (including Orange River Colony, British Bechuanaland, Basutoland, Zululand, Rhodesia), Natal, Transvaal, British India (including Burmah, the Agencies of the Indian Post Office at Aden, Bahrain, Bandar Abbas, Bushire, Guadir, Jask, Linga, Mahammerah, Muscat), the United States (including Hawaii and the Territory of Porto Rico), Canada, and Germany.
Not exceeding £1	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
From £1 to £2	0 6	0 6	0 6
" 2 " 3	0 6	1 0	1 0
" 3 " 4	0 6	1 0	1 6
" 4 " 5	0 6	1 0	2 0
" 5 " 6	1 0	1 6	2 6
" 6 " 7	1 0	1 6	3 0
" 7 " 8	1 0	2 0	3 6
" 8 " 9	1 0	2 0	4 0
" 9 " 10	1 0	2 0	4 6
			5 0 (For maximum amount see Rule 15).
" 10 " 11	1 6	2 6	5 6
" 11 " 12	1 6	2 6	6 0
" 12 " 13	1 6	3 0	6 6
" 13 " 14	1 6	3 0	7 0
" 14 " 15	1 6	3 0	7 6
" 15 " 16	2 0	3 6	8 0
" 16 " 17	2 0	3 6	8 6
" 17 " 18	2 0	4 0	9 0
" 18 " 19	2 0	4 0	9 6
" 19 " 20	2 0	4 0	10 0

Limit of amount of each order.

15. No single order granted in New Zealand for payment within the colony, or in the Australian States, Samoa, United States of America (and Hawaii), the Dominion of Canada, and the German Empire, may exceed in amount the sum of £20. The maximum amount for all other places is £10. In the case of orders issued for Government Departments for payment within New Zealand the limit is £50.

Fractional parts of a penny not admissible.

16. No money-order may contain a fractional part of a penny.

Remitter and payee.

17. The remitter of a money-order is the person who sends the money, and the payee is the person who is to receive it.

ISSUE OF MONEY-ORDERS.

Particulars required.

18. With the exceptions mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b), no money-order may be issued unless the applicant furnishes in full the surname, and at least the initial of one Christian name or forename, both of the remitter and payee, together with the remitter's address, in order that, if necessary, the remitter may be traced. These particulars, as well as the name of the office of payment, must be given on the form of requisition (Form Acct. No. 70). If the name of either person be tendered at greater length it must be received, and advised accordingly. In the case of a married woman, care must be taken to see that her own Christian or forename is given instead of that of her husband.

(a.) The Postmaster should inform intending remitters who may not know the correct names of the persons to whom they wish to remit money, or the correct designation of the firm or company, that in such cases orders may be issued payable through a bank, but that orders so issued, being crossed like a cheque, will be paid only through a bank.

Orders payable through a bank.

(b.) When the remitter notifies that the order is to be paid through a bank it is left to his option to give or withhold the name of the payee. The issuing officer must in such a case cross the order and advise

and Co.,

in the way that cheques are usually crossed when they are to be paid through a bank.

Prefixes not allowed.

(c.) Prefixes such as "Mr.," "Mrs.," "Miss," or "Messrs." may not be inserted in granting a money-order.

Forms of application for money-orders.

19. Applications by the public for money-orders should be made on the printed forms (Acct. No. 70). If, however, for any reason the form is not or cannot be filled up by the applicant, the Postmaster must fill it up himself. He will carefully number every form to correspond with the relative money-order, and affix to it the date-stamp of the day of issue. Any manuscript requisition handed in by an applicant must be carefully attached to the printed form (Acct. No. 70).

How to be treated.

(a.) All requisitions for money-orders must be sorted in numerical order, neatly tied up in parcels proper to each period for which the Post-office Account is rendered, and preserved for a term of three years.

Issue of second advice to be noted on requisition.

(b.) The issue of a second advice, alteration of name of payee, &c., must be noted on the back of the relative requisition, in the space provided for the purpose.

Orders on towns having several offices.

(c.) When application is made for a money-order payable in a town where there are several money-order offices, the Postmaster should ask the remitter at which of such offices he wishes the money-order to be paid, and, should he name any office, the Postmaster must draw the order and advice accordingly; otherwise the order should be drawn upon the Chief or Head Office of the town where payment is required.

Requisitions for orders payable abroad.

20. In the requisition for a money-order on the United States, Canada, India, Japan (through Hongkong), and the German Empire, or on any of the countries on which orders can only be issued through the medium of the United Kingdom, the applicant must give the complete postal addresses of the payee and remitter, and these addresses must be copied, with the other particulars given in the application, into the advice.

United States and Canada: County and State, &c., of office of payment required.

(a.) In the case of orders issued on the United States of America, the office of payment and that of the county and State in which it is situated must be given upon both order and advice. Similarly, in the case of Canada, the county and province in which the office of payment is situated must be given.

British India: Payee's caste or tribe required.

(b.) In the case of orders drawn in favour of natives in British India, the caste or tribe of the payee must be given, also his father's name.

Orders on foreign countries: Names of places upon which they may be drawn.

(c.) Orders to be paid in countries for which no lists of money-order offices have been issued may be drawn upon any place in those countries.

A gummed label to be affixed to orders drawn on certain countries, and omitted in others.

(d.) One of the gummed labels (Acct. No. 238) supplied for the purpose, intimating that the order is valueless except as an acknowledgment of the amount paid in, must be affixed, immediately below the signature of the Postmaster, to money-orders drawn in New Zealand for payment in all foreign countries and British colonies (except British agencies at Constantinople, Smyrna, and Panama) exchanging money-orders with New Zealand through the United Kingdom (as per list in the Post and Telegraph Guide); Japan, through Hongkong; Egypt, through Ceylon; also the German Empire and British India (including Burmah, the agencies of the Indian Post Office at Aden, Bahrain, Bandar Abbas, Bushire, Guadir, Jask, Linga, Mahammerah, and Muscat), and Zanzibar.

When the gummed label is used the lower portion thereof must be detached and affixed to the back of the relative advice; the payee will in such case receive a proper form of money-order from the Chief Money-order Office of the country in which payment is to be made.

Gummed labels must not be affixed to orders drawn in New Zealand for payment in any State of the Australian Commonwealth, Canada, Cape Colony, Ceylon, Fiji, Hawaii, Hongkong (including Chinese agencies), Natal, Straits Settlements, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Orders drawn on foreign countries and British colonies payable through medium of London Office are liable to deduction as per scale.

21. In the case of orders issued for payment through the medium of the United Kingdom care must be taken to inform applicants that the amounts for which such orders are drawn will be subject to a deduction of the commission for remittance of the money from London to its destination, and

that this commission is charged according to the following scale:—

For sums not exceeding £2 sterling ..	3d.
For sums exceeding £2, but not exceeding £6 ..	6d.
For sums exceeding £6, but not exceeding £10 ..	9d.

Address of payee must be given.

(a.) No money-order may be issued for payment, through the medium of the United Kingdom, to a person whose address is not given as in the country on which the order is to be drawn.

Proceedings in granting a money-order.

22. Before granting an order the Postmaster must obtain the cash for the amount of the order and the commission, and, in order to assist the public and insure correctness in this respect, the printed notice referring to money-order commission should be exhibited near the place where money-orders are issued. Having ascertained that the amount of cash received for the order and for the commission is correct, the Postmaster must copy the particulars given on the Form Acct. No. 70 into the relative columns of the Money-order Issue Statement.

(a.) If, however, from the pressure of a number of applicants at the same time, the rigid observance of the above instruction is likely to occasion inconvenience and delay to the public, the Postmaster may, after taking and counting the cash for the order and commission, proceed to issue the order at once; but he must copy the particulars from the requisition form (Acct. No. 70) into his Issue Statement, and, before despatching the advice, compare it with the entry in the statement. It must be clearly understood that this departure from the rule can be permitted only under entirely exceptional circumstances, and for the convenience of the public. *Any breach of the rule or its alternative may lead to the amount charged upon an order being maintained against the Postmaster, without inquiry.*

How amount spaces must be filled up.

(b.) The Postmaster must then stamp the order and the corresponding advice in the proper places with the date of issue, and copy from the requisition form (Acct. No. 70) the amount (which must be written in figures at the head and in words in the body of the order), and the name of the office at which the order is intended to be payable. When the order is for less than £1 the Postmaster must strike his pen through the £ and the adjoining space, both at the head and in the body of the order, thus: £—; also, where no amount is inserted in the space proper for shillings or pence, he must strike his pen through the vacant spaces, thus: —; and when an amount is inserted which does not fill up the space, whether for pounds, shillings, or pence, he must strike his pen through the portion unoccupied, so as in all cases to prevent effectually any subsequent alteration of the amount originally entered upon the order and the advice. It is of the utmost importance that the void spaces be filled up with two deep parallel lines.

Completion of order.

(c.) The Postmaster, having satisfied himself that the order is correctly drawn, must sign and hand it to the applicant, care being taken in separating an order from its corresponding advice to avoid mutilating either.

Completion of advice.

(d.) The Postmaster must then fill up the advice by inserting in the proper spaces the particulars of the entry in his Money-order Issue Statement. He must then sign and address it on the back with the full designation of the paying office, taking care to add (in the case of orders payable in the United Kingdom) the post-town or county, as entered in column No. 2 of the List of Money-order Offices (when the place on which the order is drawn is not a head post-office), and the district initials when it is drawn on a London office.

Despatch of advices. Must be sent to paying office by first mail, except in the case of orders payable beyond New Zealand.

23. When a large number of advices are to be forwarded to the same office they are to be folded together, not singly, and properly addressed on the outside. They should, if not enclosed in a cover, be securely tied with string. As no money-order can be paid until the relative advice is received, the advice must always be sent to the paying office by the first post despatched after the issue of the order, except in the case of money-orders payable abroad, the advices of which, fully made out, stamped, and addressed, must be attached to the letter-bill, and forwarded direct by first post after the issue of the orders to the chief office of the district.

Errors in drawing orders.

24. If an error of any kind is made in filling up a money-order, and is discovered at the time of issue, a new order must be made out, as no alterations or erasures can under any cir-

cumstances be permitted. Neglect of this rule will render the Postmaster liable to the payment of a second commission.

Spoiled money-order forms.

25. Should the Postmaster spoil an order, he must write across the face of the order the word "Spoiled," write on the back of it an explanation of the irregularity, and send it, with the corresponding advice, to the Chief Postmaster, enclosed in his Issue Statement, in which he must enter its number in the usual course, writing opposite the entry the words "Not granted." A similar entry must be made on a form of application (Form Acct. No. 70), to be filed with the forms of the day's issue. Spoiled money-orders must not be included in the "Total Number of Orders issued" in the Money-order Issue Statement or in the Post Office Account.

Orders may not be cancelled.

26. An order once issued cannot be cancelled—that is to say, the Postmaster may not take back an order once handed to a remitter and return the money, or give a new order in place of it.

"Manifold-writer" process at Chief Offices. Carbonic paper must be protected from heat or air.

27. At all Chief Offices money-orders must be made out by means of the "manifold-writer" process, and to effect this the money-order clerk must carefully place the carbonic paper between the money-order and advice forms in such a manner that it will cover the whole space above and including his signature. He must always use the special pen provided for the purpose, and be careful to see that a legible impression of the particulars of the order is carried through to the advice. A metal plate placed under the advice will facilitate a good impression being obtained. *If the impression upon the advice is in any respect illegible or defective it must be made distinct with pen and ink.* As carbonic paper becomes hard and dry by exposure to heat or air, and difficulty is experienced in using it when in that state, the stock thereof must be kept in a receptacle which will protect it from such influences.

(a.) When the order has been completed and signed the money-order clerk will fill in the name of the payee and remitter on the advice. In all other respects the instructions issued for the guidance of Postmasters will apply equally to Chief Postmasters.

Repayment or transfer.

28. Should repayment or transfer be required after the advice has left the office at which the order was issued, the remitter must apply to the paying office, as directed in Rule 70. If issued on a place where there is no money-order office, application must be made to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington. Repayment may be effected when the advice has not left the office of issue, in accordance with directions given in Rule No. 71.

Second and corrected advices. Penalty for non-observance of regulations.

29. When a "second" or "duplicate" advice is required in consequence of the original advice having been spoiled in issuing an order, or when the original advice is stated not to have reached its destination, or when it is necessary to re-advise for any reported discrepancy in number or amount, one of the forms headed "Second Advice" must be used. When, owing to the non-receipt of the advice of a money-order, it becomes necessary to apply to the office of origin for a second advice, or when a second advice is received without any application therefor having been made, a docket on Form Acct. No. 146 should be prepared, giving full particulars of the order, together with the date of application for, or receipt of, a second advice. In the event of payment being made through the original advice coming to hand before the second advice, the fact should be noted upon the docket, and on receipt of the second advice this form, with the docket, must be sent to the Controller, Money order Office, Wellington. Similarly, if payment having been made on a second advice, the original should subsequently be received, both docket and advice should be sent to the Controller. If, through failure to observe this direction, an order should be paid a second time owing to a duplicate thereof having been issued, the Postmaster responsible for the omission will be required to make good the amount overpaid.

Issue of second or corrected advice to be noted on Form Acct. No. 70.

30. The issue of any "second" or "corrected" advice, and the date of its despatch, must be noted on the back of the application on Form Acct. No. 70, in the space provided for the purpose.

Money-orders issued by Government Departments.

31. Money-orders are issued by the Public Works Department and the Department of Roads for remitting part of

the earnings of men employed by the Government on road-making and other works.

Public Works orders.

32. Public Works orders are printed on paper of pale-green colour, and are issued by officers specially authorised by the Public Works Department. These orders, which are subject to payment of the ordinary inland rates of commission, will be entered by the issuing officer on a statement (Form Act. No. 27). This statement, together with the advices of the orders and a cheque or cash for their total value, plus commission, will be forwarded to the Postmaster in charge of the nearest money-order office, who on receipt will compare the advices with the entries on the statement, and, when satisfied of their agreement, he will countersign, date-stamp, and forward the advices to the respective paying offices. The Postmaster will then copy the particulars from the original statement furnished to him by the Public Works officer into his Money-order Issue Statement for the period during which they are received.

(a.) Each order must be entered in its proper numerical sequence, with the letters "P.W." written in the column headed "Country." The original statement, received with the advices, is then to be filed in lieu of the usual requisitions.

Department of Roads orders.

33. Orders of the Department of Roads are printed on paper of salmon colour, and the issue thereof is governed by the rules applicable to Public Works orders in every respect. The letters "L. & S." must be written against the entry of each order in the Money-order Issue Statement.

ISSUE OF FREE MONEY-ORDERS FOR GOVERNMENT REMITTANCES, ETC.

Orders issued for Government Departments without commission being charged at time of issue.

34. Free money-orders may be issued by Postmasters subject to the following conditions:—

Description of orders which may be so issued. Land revenue remittances.

(a.) All remittances from the public to the Receiver of Land Revenue on account of land may be made by means of money-orders issued free of commission charge. No documentary evidence of the right to apply for such orders will be necessary, but they must invariably be made payable to the Receiver of Land Revenue in his official capacity, otherwise commission at ordinary inland rates will be payable. The Postmaster must write in the commission column of his Money-order Issue Statement the letters "C.L." as an explanation of the non-charge for commission on such orders.

(b.) To facilitate the refund of the deposits made in connection with applications for land under "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," the orders should be made payable at the same office as they are issued at. The Postmaster at the issuing office should explain, as the reason for doing so, that repayment will thereby be facilitated in the event of the applicant being unsuccessful.

Post and telegraph remittances by free money-orders.

(c.) Free money-orders may be issued on the business of the Post and Telegraph Department, but there must be special authority in each case for such issue. The letters "O.P.S.O." must be written in the commission column as an explanation of the non-charge for commission on such orders. The registered number (if available) of the paper containing the authority should also be given.

PAYMENT OF MONEY-ORDERS.

Orders not to be paid unless advice received.

35. The Postmaster must not pay a money-order unless he has received the corresponding advice; and, in case of orders issued abroad, payment must not be made unless the advice bears the stamp of the Chief or Head Office of the issuing country, as well as the stamp of the Chief Office in New Zealand at which the advice is first received.

Orders issued in the United States.

36. Upon orders issued in the United States of America, and the relative advices, the amount payable will be found stated both in United States and British currency.

(a.) In effecting payment, however, the Postmaster must be guided solely by the advice, which, if genuine, will bear an impressed certificate to the following effect:—

Value of United States Order.

£ s. d.

San Francisco, Cal.,

....., 19 ..

(b.) The amount in British money thus certified must be paid and claimed, and if it differs from the amount in British money stated upon the order a note must be made under that amount in figures, thus:—

"Paid, as per advice, £ s. d."

Orders issued in Canada.

37. Upon orders issued in the Dominion of Canada—i.e., in British Columbia, Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, and Prince Edward's Island—the amount will be found stated in Canadian money only, but the relative advices, if genuine, will bear an impressed certificate, thus:—

Value of Order in English Money.

£ s. d.

Victoria, B.C.,

....., 19 ..

(a.) The amount in British money stated upon the advice must be paid and claimed, and that amount must be entered on the order in the blank space provided immediately above the amount in figures in Canadian money.

Advices must bear stamped certificate of amount.

38. Should the Postmaster receive an advice of either a United States money-order or a Canadian money-order from which the stamped certificate of the amount in British money is omitted, he must at once forward the advice to his Chief Postmaster, and refuse payment of the relative order until he receives instructions as to the amount actually payable.

Advices received: How to be dealt with.

39. All money-order advices must be examined immediately on their receipt, to see that they relate to orders payable at the Postmaster's office, and are in all respects regular, and bear the stamp of the office of issue. The advices must then be stamped by the Postmaster on the back with the date of receipt, and kept until the corresponding orders are presented for payment or have become void. (See Rule 54.) The advices must be kept in alphabetical order, according to the names of the issuing offices. Care must be taken to guard against the loss of these important documents. With this view, and to prevent their disarrangement, they should be held together by a letter-clip or by a weight, and kept under lock and key.

Special instructions as to advices of old date.

40. Should an advice of back date be received it must not be sorted away until the advices on hand and the Paid Order Statement or Journal from the date of such advice have been examined, in order to ascertain whether a "second" or "corrected" advice may not already have been received.

"Second" and "corrected" advices.

41. Should a "second" or "corrected" advice be received the original advice must be attached thereto. When more than one advice has been received, payment must be made from the advice of latest date.

Stopping payment of order.

42. Should an application for stoppage of payment be received from the payee or remitter of a money-order payable at the Postmaster's office, he must provisionally comply with such application; but he must at once report the case, enclosing the application, if in writing, to his Chief Postmaster. To prevent payment being made he should make a clear and distinct note across the face of the advice to the effect that payment is stopped. When the application is personal, unless the letter containing the order is alleged to have been lost in its passage through the post, the Postmaster must demand a second commission, to be transmitted in postage-stamps with his report.

Payment of money-orders.

43. When a money-order is presented for payment the Postmaster must first see that the corresponding advice has been received, and that the date, number, and amount entered on the order agree with those of the advice, and (unless the order is paid through a bank) that the signature of the payee be as full as the name given in the advice, with the exception of the Christian or fore name, which, even when advised in full, may be taken in initial. Thus, an order advised "John Joseph Smith" may be receipted "J. J. Smith," or "in full"; and one advised "J. J. Smith" may be receipted "John Joseph Smith"; but, unless the payee is known to the Postmaster, the receipt must always contain, either in initial or in full, such Christian names as are advised, and no others. Any prefix to a signature, such as "Messrs.," "Mr.," "Rev.," "Mrs.," "Miss," &c., is irregular, and the payee should be directed to strike out the signature and sign the order afresh without the prefix. Should a prefix to the name of the payee be given in the advice the usual signature may be accepted, provided there is no doubt as to the payee's identity.

When the payee is unable to write.

(a.) If the payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark, to be witnessed in writing, as, for example,—

Joseph Allen,
x
his mark. Witness—John Fuller,
High Street, Dunedin.

The witness, who must be known to the Postmaster, must write his name and address, adding the word "Witness." It is desirable (though not imperative) that he be not connected with the office, but it is not necessary that he should be personally acquainted with the payee. In no case may the officer who pays the order act as a witness.

Name of remitter to be given by payee.

(b.) Having ascertained that the order is properly received, the Postmaster will call upon the applicant to give the name of the remitter, and if the reply be correct, and he has good reason for believing that the applicant is the payee, payment may be made. Money-orders presented by a person other than the payee named in the advice should bear upon them evidence of assignment, in the shape of an indorsement by the payee, in addition to the usual receipt. Should payment be refused on the ground that the applicant is neither the rightful claimant nor his agent, or on account of any irregularity affecting the validity of the order, the case must be immediately reported to the Chief Postmaster for instructions.

Orders presented through a bank for credit of the Public Account may be paid without advice.

44. Money-orders the amounts of which are placed to credit of the Public Account may, upon presentation by the bank, be paid on demand whether the relative advices have been received or not. The orders must, however, be marked by the bank as credited to the Public Account, and paying officers must be careful to place a docket among the Advices of Unpaid Orders noting that payment of such orders has been made without advice. Upon the receipt of the advice of any order so paid it must at once be forwarded to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, stating date of payment. Money-orders paid into a bank by Receivers of Land Revenue may also be paid in accordance with the above directions.

When payee described by official title only, payment may be made to recognised legal agent.

45. In any case in which the payee of a money-order is described by his official title only, or as a club, society, or company, whether trading under the names of the persons comprising it or not, payment may be made on the signature of the manager, secretary, or other recognised legal agent thereof, provided that his official designation be written after his name.

Postmasters may not lodge orders for collection through a bank.

46. Postmasters are strictly forbidden to lodge money-orders with a bank for collection in order thereby to conceal payment to an irregular signature or any other breach of these regulations. In any case in which, although the signature to an order does not agree with the name advised, the Postmaster is satisfied that the person who signed it is entitled to receive payment, it will be sufficient to certify on the order that the identity of the payee has been satisfactorily established.

Payment not to be made on day of issue.

47. Payment of a money-order not issued for transmission by telegraph cannot be made on the day of issue. Government orders are, however, an exception to this rule.

Special authority required for payment of mutilated orders.

48. No money-order which has been cut in halves, or otherwise mutilated or rejoined, may be paid without the express authority of the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Orders improperly transferred.

49. No money-order of which payment has been transferred in any other manner than that directed in Rules Nos. 70 to 73 may be paid without the express authority of the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Orders bearing word "Paid" must not be paid without authority.

50. No money-order having the word "Paid" stamped, perforated, or written upon it may be paid without the express authority of the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Presentation of mutilated, &c., orders to be reported.

51. Whenever a mutilated order, an order which has been improperly transferred, or an order marked "Paid" is presented at his office, the Postmaster must at once, after refusing payment, report the circumstances to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, and await instructions.

No claim after payment.

52. After once paying a money-order, by whomsoever presented, the Department is not liable to any further claim. The Postmaster-General, however, reserves to himself the power to require an officer to make good any amount which, through want of care or neglect of the instructions, may have been paid to a wrong person.

Orders not paid, no liability in respect of.

53. No application can be entertained for compensation for alleged injury through the non-payment of a money-order at the expected time. When a money-order is applied for it must be granted on the clear understanding that no such claim will be allowed.

Orders become void if not paid within specified time.

54. Money-orders issued in New Zealand become void at the expiration of the twelfth month after the month of issue. Thus, an order issued in January becomes void if not paid before the end of the next January. Orders issued in the United Kingdom, and in British colonies and foreign countries, become void also at the expiration of the twelfth month after the month of issue. After that period payment can only be made under special authority, granted by the Chief Office of the country of issue and obtained through the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Advices of void orders: How to be treated.

(a.) At the close of business on the last day of each month the Postmaster must carefully examine the advices in hand, and forward with his accounts all the advices of inland, colonial, and foreign orders which have become void, particulars of which must be entered at the foot of his Paid Order Statement.

Payment through a bank.

55. When a money-order is paid through a bank it is sufficient, as regards the receipt, that it be crossed (by stamp or in writing) with the name of the bank, and be presented by some person known to be in the employment of that bank. As regards date, number, and amount, the order must be seen to be in agreement with the relative advice before payment is made.

Crossed money-orders.

56. The holder of a money-order payable at a place where there is a bank is always at liberty to direct, by crossing it, that the order be paid through a bank, even though its payment was not originally so restricted, and when such an order is so crossed the question put on the presentation of an ordinary money-order is dispensed with, and the foregoing observances alone enforced; but an order crossed as payable through a bank must not be paid unless presented through a bank, although the advice may not be so crossed, except when there is no bank in the place on which the order is drawn.

(a.) When a money-order issued, or afterwards crossed, for payment through a bank is drawn upon a place where there is no bank it may be paid direct to the payee named in the advice, on the conditions prescribed in Rules 43 to 51.

Payment of orders presented by bank may only be made at the offices upon which they are drawn.

57. Payment of money-orders presented through a bank may only be made at the post-office upon which the order has been drawn and advised. Rule 43 expressly forbids the payment of an order unless the corresponding advice has been received, and this rule may never be departed from without authority, the only exception being orders presented for credit of the Public Account. (See Rule No. 44.)

Fractional parts of a penny.

58. Should an order be presented for payment which has been improperly drawn for an amount including the fractional part of a penny—say, for £1 14s. 6½d. or £2 13s. 7½d.—the Postmaster must pay and claim the amount, less the fraction, and note the order immediately under the amount entered in figures at the issuing office, thus: "Amount paid, £1 14s. 6d.," or "Amount paid, £2 13s. 7d."

Difference between order and advice.

59. When an order is presented and is found to differ from the advice the Postmaster must refuse payment unless the payee be well known to him, and the difference is slight and evidently accidental and not affecting the amount. Should the discrepancy be in the amount he must refuse payment, and send the Form Acct. No. 91 to the issuing Postmaster. Upon the return of the form with a statement of the amount actually payable, the Postmaster must pay that amount, and note the order immediately under the amount entered in figures at the issuing office, thus: "Amount paid as per authority attached, £ [Here insert the amount paid]." He must pin the Form Acct. No. 91 to the order, and send both to the Chief Postmaster with the statement in which the order is claimed.

How to report advices not received.

60. When an order issued in New Zealand is presented for which the Postmaster has received no advice he must forward by the first post to the issuing office one of the printed letters of inquiry for missing advices (Form Acct. No. 73), placing at the same time a note of the inquiry, on Form Acct. No. 146, among the Advices of Unpaid Orders, so that if the order should be subsequently paid on the original advice this circumstance may be recorded, and the second advice destroyed as soon as it is received. If a reply to the letter of inquiry should not be received in proper course of post, the Postmaster must report the irregularity to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, in one of the printed letters (Form Acct. No. 73A). If an order issued abroad be presented for which the Postmaster has received no advice, he must not communicate with the issuing office, but make application for the advice to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, on Form Acct. No. 73A, at the same time informing the applicant that the delay of a post is often unavoidable in consequence of the advice having to pass through the offices of exchange of the respective countries.

Treatment of paid money-orders.

61. When a money-order has been paid it must immediately be initialled by the paying officer to the left of the space set apart for date-stamp of paying office, and the order and its corresponding advice must be stamped with the date of payment, and the proper entry made in the Paid Order Statement.

(a.) The paid money-orders, each above its relative advice, must be sorted in the order in which they are entered in the Paid Order Statement, and at the close of each day's business the advices compared with the entries in that statement, so as to check the payments of the day, and enable the Postmaster to see that he has all the advices relating to these payments. The paid money-orders and advices must be sent by the Postmaster to his Chief Office, with the accounts in which they are entered.

Corrected advices, &c., treatment of.

62. Corrected advices, letters of inquiry on Form Acct. No. 73, and duplicate order notices from the Controller directing payment of the duplicates must be sent in with the orders to which they relate.

Duplicate orders.

63. Should a money-order payable in New Zealand, whether issued abroad or in the colony, miscarry or be lost, a duplicate is granted on application to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, on Form Acct. No. 90. No duplicate may be granted without the express authority of the Controller. *Transfer of payment by duplicate* also can be arranged at the General Post Office only.

(a.) When the remitter or payee of an order requires a duplicate the Postmaster must furnish him with the printed form of application (Form Acct. No. 90)—which should be addressed in accordance with the directions given above—and inform him that (unless the letter was lost in transit through the post, in which case the duplicate order would be issued free of charge) he must enclose a second inland commission in postage-stamps. Under no circumstances can a duplicate order be granted until the expiration of a week after receipt of application for its issue.

Issue of duplicate order to be noted on Form No. 70.

64. When it has been notified to the Postmaster that a duplicate has been granted of an order issued by him, he must make a note of the issue and the date of the duplicate on the application on Form Acct. No. 70 relating to the original order. If the paying office subsequently applies to him for an advice of the duplicate order, he must forward the application, together with the required advice, to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Duplicate orders received: How to be dealt with.

65. On the receipt of a duplicate order payable at his office, with the necessary authority for payment, the Postmaster must note the issue of the duplicate and the date of its receipt on the advice, and carry out the instructions accompanying the duplicate; but should the advice not be in hand the duplicate order must be immediately returned to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, with a statement to that effect.

Payment of duplicate orders.

66. On the payment of a duplicate order, the memorandum (Form Acct. No. 77B), in which the Postmaster will insert the date of payment, must be put in the place of the advice among the Advices of Unpaid Orders, where it will remain to serve as a caution against the payment of the original order.

How to proceed when original presented after payment of duplicate.

67. If the original order is presented after the duplicate has been paid (and this payment the Postmaster will be

apprised of by means of the memorandum No. 77B, which he will have placed with the advices, as directed in preceding rule), he must detain it, and write across it the words "Cancelled; paid by duplicate order on [adding the date of payment]." Before informing the person who presents the order that it has been cancelled, having been paid by duplicate, the Postmaster should endeavour to elicit from him how it came into his possession, take down his name and residence (if obtainable), and carefully note his personal appearance, in order to identify him if necessary. The Postmaster must then forward the order to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, enclosed in a report containing all the information he may have been able to obtain in the case.

Duplicate orders to be retained.

68. The Postmaster should retain duplicate orders which have not been paid until they become void. (See Rule No. 54.) They must then be returned to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, with the letters in which they were sent to the Postmaster.

Transfer by duplicate.

69. On receipt of an intimation from the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, that an order originally payable at the Postmaster's office is about to be transferred by duplicate to some other office, the Postmaster must transmit the relative advice to the Controller, and substitute in its place, among the Advices of Unpaid Orders, the memorandum which he will receive with the intimation. This memorandum must remain with the Advices of Unpaid Orders until the relative order would, if not paid, become void. Payment of the original order, if presented, must, of course, be refused, and steps taken as described in Rule No. 67.

Transfer and repayment of orders.

70. The Postmaster may arrange the transfer and the repayment in New Zealand of all orders issued in the colony payable at his office. It is desirable, but not imperative, that all applications for transfer or repayment should be made on the Form Acct. No. 80, with which the Postmaster is provided, and which he should furnish to any applicant who may desire the transfer or repayment of an order. Should he receive an application wholly in manuscript he may comply with it, provided the following conditions be fulfilled, viz:—

Conditions to be fulfilled before a request for transfer or repayment can be complied with.

(a.) The application must be made either by the payee or remitter.

(b.) The application must contain the order, and give the names of the payee and the remitter; and the applicant must have correctly received the order, or signed the request printed on the back thereof.

(c.) The advice must be in the Postmaster's office, and the name of the applicant, whether payee or remitter, agree with that in the advice. If the applicant is the payee he must be able to give the name of the remitter; if the remitter, the name of the payee.

(d.) The preceding conditions being fulfilled, the Postmaster must deal with the order received as if it had been paid by him—that is, he must stamp it, enter it to his credit in his Paid Order Statement, place it and the advice with the other paid orders, and transmit both to his Chief Postmaster in ordinary course.

(e.) The Postmaster will then issue to the applicant an order of current number and date in lieu of the original order, and for the amount thereof, less the charge of a second commission at the inland rate, which must be included in the total commission of the day. The new order, with which he must charge himself in ordinary course, should be drawn in accordance with the particulars as requested by the applicant, to whom it must be transmitted on the day of issue, enclosed in one of the printed official forms (Form Acct. No. 80A). The name of the original remitter is to be entered as the remitter of the new order, except when the applicant is the payee, and requests payment to some other person at some other office, in which case the applicant's name (the original payee) must be entered as the remitter of the new order. The Postmaster must transcribe the full particulars of the order so reissued upon a Form Acct. No. 70, which he must place with the requisitions of the day as a record of the transaction, writing across it the words "Re-issued order."

When conditions not fulfilled.

(f.) When any of the conditions stated in Rule No. 70 have not been complied with the Postmaster must apprise the applicant accordingly by means of one of the printed forms (No. 80B), returning the order to the applicant when no request has been made on the order itself for a new order. In the case of condition (a) or (b) not being complied with, he must, after informing the applicant, forward the application and the order to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, with a statement of the facts of the case.

(g.) The Postmaster may also arrange for the transfer of orders issued abroad which are payable at his office, but repayment of these orders, and of orders issued in New Zealand on places abroad, can be arranged only by application to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington. In transferring an order issued abroad the commission to be deducted therefrom must be at the New Zealand inland rate.

Repayment at issuing offices.

71. Should an order be presented by the remitter for repayment at the office of issue before the relative advice has left that office, the Postmaster may treat such order as payable at his office on payment by the applicant of a second commission at the inland rate, which he must affix to the advice in postage-stamps. He must be careful in every such case to write against the entry of the order in his Money-order Issue Statement, and on the relative requisition Form Acct. No. 70, the words "Repaid here." If the order for repayment is a money-order telegram which has not been forwarded, the telegraph fee may be refunded.

Applications to be preserved.

72. The applications which have been dealt with, together with the orders transferred or repaid, must be forwarded by the Postmaster when rendering his accounts.

Repayment of orders drawn in favour of a Receiver of Land Revenue.

73. Repayment of a money-order drawn in favour of a Receiver of Land Revenue, and made payable at an office other than that at which it was issued (see Rule 34 (a)), may be arranged for if the money-order is superscribed by the payee with a request to that effect. The new order issued in such a case must be transmitted to the Postmaster in charge of the office at which it is made payable, for delivery to the payee named in the advice, upon presentation by him of the memorandum received from the Receiver of Land Revenue announcing result of application, and advising of return of deposit lodged. No deduction from the amount of the original order is to be made, but the letters "C.L." must be written in the commission column on the Money-order Issue Statement against the entry of each order issued in accordance with this rule.

Orders payable at office of issue.

(a.) In the case of an order made payable to a Receiver of Land Revenue at the office of issue, repayment thereof, without the issue of a new order or any fee being charged, may be made to the remitter on presentation by him of the original order, properly receipted, together with the memorandum from the Receiver of Land Revenue announcing result of application and advising return of deposit lodged.

Alteration in name of payee or remitter.

74. If the remitter of an order shall personally apply for an alteration of the name of the payee or remitter of the order, the Postmaster must require him to fill up one of the forms (Acct. No. 84), and pay a fee equal to the New Zealand rate of commission on the order whether it is payable in the colony or beyond. The Postmaster must then amend the entry on the requisition (Form Acct. No. 70), on the back of which he must describe the correction and insert the date, in the space provided for the purpose, and then fill up and despatch one of the advice forms headed "Corrected Advice," writing upon the application for the alteration (Form Acct. No. 84) a certificate of the issue and date of issue of the corrected advice.

(a.) If the order is payable in New Zealand the Postmaster must affix on the advice, in the place set apart for the purpose, postage-stamps to the amount of the commission, and forward it direct to the office on which the order is drawn. But if the order be payable abroad he must affix the postage-stamps on the application for the corrected advice, and forward the application with the advice to his Chief Postmaster. He must cancel these postage-stamps by affixing a legible impression of his office dated stamp thereon. In every case the application is to be forwarded to the Chief Postmaster. Applications by letter for this kind of alteration may also be attended to, provided the necessary commission in postage-stamps is enclosed, the application is signed by the remitter, and the correct particulars of the order are given.

Corrected advices.

75. On the receipt of a corrected advice (issued in accordance with the instructions contained in the preceding rule) of an order payable at his office, the Postmaster must first see that postage-stamps to the amount of the second commission have been affixed to the corrected advice and cancelled in the proper manner. If they have not been cancelled he must cancel them himself, and report the omission to his Chief Postmaster. The corrected advice should then be attached to the original, and when the corresponding order is presented he must pay it from the corrected advice, and in accordance with it. The Postmaster must then attach

the original and the corrected advice to the order, and send them, enclosed in the statement in which he claims the amount of the order, to his Chief Office.

When insufficient stamps are affixed.

(a.) If the proper number of postage-stamps has not been affixed to the corrected advice, or if, instead of a corrected advice, a second advice has been improperly issued for the purpose of correcting a difference other than in number or amount, the corresponding order may nevertheless be paid, but the Postmaster must report the circumstance to the Chief Postmaster, enclosing the "corrected" or "second" advice.

Additional commission, when returned.

76. In any of the above cases where an additional commission has been obtained from the applicant, the amount will be returned to him if the error which caused his application be attributable to the Post Office. If the Postmaster is to blame for the mistake he will have to pay the commission.

MONEY-ORDER TELEGRAMS.

Money-orders by telegraph.

77. Money-orders for transmission by telegraph, called "money order telegrams," for payment at money-order offices in New Zealand at places where there are telegraph-offices, and intercolonial money-order telegrams when drawn on telegraph money-order offices in South Australia, Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, and Western Australia, are to be granted when applied for under the rules for the issue of money-orders for transmission by post, with the following exceptions:—

Orders may only be drawn at and on money-order offices which are also telegraph-offices.

78. The orders may be issued and made payable only at money-order offices in New Zealand and the above-named States at places where there are telegraph-offices, and the maximum amount of each order must not exceed £20.

(a.) The remitter of a money-order telegram may, on paying for the additional words required, have a private communication for the payee added to the official telegram of advice. He may also, if he so desires, prepay the cost of a telegraphic reply to such communication. The special form of requisition (Acct. No. 65), upon which space is provided for a private message from the remitter, is invariably to be used in connection with money-order telegrams. The portion of the form on which this message is written may, by means of a line of perforations separating it from the requisition, be detached in order to be gummed or otherwise affixed to the forwarded money-order telegram in the space provided thereon for the purpose. The money-order portion of the form will be filled in from the particulars given on the requisition in the same manner as for posted money-orders. When completed the combined money-order telegram and remitter's private message is to be handed in by an officer of the Department for transmission by telegraph.

(b.) In the case of a remittance sent by money-order telegram to the secretary of a racing club to cover an investment on the totalisator, it is imperative that the remitter's instructions should be added to the money-order telegram, so that the remittance and the instructions relative thereto may reach the secretary of the racing club simultaneously. With this exception it is open to remitters to either send a separate message or take advantage of the facilities offered for adding a private communication to the official telegram.

(c.) In every case the sender of a private communication added to a money-order telegram must write his name and private address, or the name of the office from which the telegram is sent, in the space provided at the foot of the requisition-form, and these words must be charged for; but it should be pointed out that the cost of the payee's address is saved.

(d.) The 1s. collected for the money-order telegram, and the charges payable, as per scale hereunder, on the remitter's private message, must be accounted for by means of stamps affixed to the forwarded money-order telegram form in the space provided for the purpose, whilst the commission charge will be accounted for in the money-order issued statement. The rate of commission to be charged for each order is given in Rule 79. For the additional words added by the remitter the charge will be as follows:—

Ordinary, 1d. per word, with a minimum charge of 6d.

Urgent, 2d. per word, with a minimum charge of 1s.

(e.) The money-order telegram and remitter's private message may be sent urgent on payment of urgent rates on the remitter's message only, no extra charge being made in respect of the money-order telegram. Thus, an urgent money-order telegram for £1, with a private message from the remitter, consisting of nine words, would cost 3s., made up as follows: Commission, 6d.; fee for money-order telegram, 1s.; charge for remitter's message, 1s. 6d. = 3s.

(f.) Officers engaged in the issue of money-order telegrams must endeavour to impress upon remitters of money-order

telegrams made payable to racing-club officials for investment on the totalisator the necessity for brevity consistent with clearness. Thus, the address of such telegram should be as follows:—

(1.) "Secretary,
Racing Club,
[Wellington]."

(2.) "Secretary,
Jockey Club,
[Christchurch]."

And the instructions relative to investment in the following terms:—

"One pound, St. Martin's, Yaldhurst Welter; one, Fulmen, New Zealand Cup.

"JAMES SHAW,
Onehunga."

(g.) The official designation of the racing-club official should invariably be used instead of his Christian name and surname.

(h.) The foregoing arrangement does not apply to inter-colonial money-order telegrams.

Commission on money-order telegrams payable in New Zealand.

79. Rates of commission for inland money-order telegrams:—

		s.	d.
For sums not exceeding	£1	..	0 6
" from	£1 to £2	..	0 6
" "	£2 to £3	..	0 6
" "	£3 to £4	..	0 6
" "	£4 to £5	..	0 6
" "	£5 to £6	..	1 0
" "	£6 to £7	..	1 0
" "	£7 to £8	..	1 0
" "	£8 to £9	..	1 0
" "	£9 to £10	..	1 0
" "	£10 to £11	..	1 6
" "	£11 to £12	..	1 6
" "	£12 to £13	..	1 6
" "	£13 to £14	..	1 6
" "	£14 to £15	..	1 6
" "	£15 to £16	..	2 0
" "	£16 to £17	..	2 0
" "	£17 to £18	..	2 0
" "	£18 to £19	..	2 0
" "	£19 to £20	..	2 0

with a telegraph fee of 1s. for each order, and an additional fee of 1s. if an urgent money-order telegram is required.

Intercolonial money-order telegrams.

80. Rates of commission for intercolonial money-order telegrams:—

		s.	d.
For sums not exceeding	£1	..	0 6
" from	£1 to £2	..	0 6
" "	£2 to £3	..	1 0
" "	£3 to £4	..	1 0
" "	£4 to £5	..	1 0
" "	£5 to £6	..	1 6
" "	£6 to £7	..	1 6
" "	£7 to £8	..	2 0
" "	£8 to £9	..	2 0
" "	£9 to £10	..	2 0
" "	£10 to £11	..	2 6
" "	£11 to £12	..	2 6
" "	£12 to £13	..	3 0
" "	£13 to £14	..	3 0
" "	£14 to £15	..	3 0
" "	£15 to £16	..	3 6
" "	£16 to £17	..	3 6
" "	£17 to £18	..	4 0
" "	£18 to £19	..	4 0
" "	£19 to £20	..	4 0

and a telegraph charge at the rate for a telegram to the place upon which the money-order is drawn.

Proceedings in granting a money-order telegram payable in New Zealand.

81. In granting a money-order telegram payable in the colony the cash for the amount of the order, of the commission, and of the telegraph fee must first be obtained. Then the proper form of order (Form Acct. No. 38) must be filled up by the issuing officer, with the name and address of the payee, the name of the office at which payment is to be made, the code-word, the name of the remitter, the amount in figures and writing, and, if an urgent money-order telegram is required, the word "Urgent" should be entered, with the initials of the issuing Postmaster, under the head of "Instructions." The order must then be signed by the Postmaster, dated with the office-stamp, and immediately handed in by an officer of the Department for transmission by telegraph.

(a.) The order may not be handed to the remitter. No charge beyond that already indicated may be made for transmission, except any portorage charge which may be payable in accordance with the Telegraph Regulations.

How to address money-order telegrams to persons not at the place where payable.

82. When a money-order telegram is issued for payment to a person not residing in the place where the order is payable, and to which it must be telegraphed in accordance with the instructions, the address of the payee must be inserted in the space for the instructions, preceded by the word "Post," or, when carriage is paid, by the word "Carriage." Thus, a money-order telegram payable at Wellington to a person residing at Karori would be telegraphed to Wellington with the instruction "Post, Karori," or "Carriage paid, Karori," as the case may be. In every such case care must be taken to make it clear to remitters that a money-order telegram can be telegraphed only to the money-order office at which the order is payable.

Duplicates of lost money-order telegrams.

83. Should a money-order telegram be lost either in the course of transmission or after being duly delivered to the payee, a duplicate of it may be obtained on application under Rules 63 and 64 to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Receipt to be given to remitter when applied for.

84. When applied for, a receipt for the amount received at the issuing office must be given by the issuing Postmaster on a copy of the requisition, which the remitter must furnish, writing across it the word "Duplicate."

Payee may be named by official title only.

85. The applicant for a money-order telegram may describe the payee by his official title only; but when the payee is so described the order may be paid in accordance with Rule 45.

Correction of money-order telegrams.

86. When the remitter desires to correct an order the particulars of the required correction must be telegraphed briefly by the issuing office to the paying Postmaster, and if the correction extends to change of name or address the telegraph-office must be requested to deliver the order to the new address. A commission according to the inland rate for ordinary orders, together with a telegraph fee of 6d., must be collected and affixed in stamps to the application for the correction.

Applications for intercolonial money-order telegrams. Preparation of order. Telegram advice to be sent by remitter to payee.

87. In case of intercolonial money-order telegrams the remitter must be requested to fill up a requisition on Form Acct. No. 70, and write the word "Telegraph" at the top thereof. On receipt of the amount of the order, and of the commission and telegraph fee payable therefor, the Postmaster will then prepare an order on the money-order form next to be issued, in the same way as an ordinary money-order, writing legibly and boldly across the face of the order and advice, "Intercolonial Money-order Telegram." The order must be attached to the Money-order Issue Statement, and transmitted by the Postmaster to his Chief Office, and by the Chief Postmaster to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, the advice being despatched to the Chief Office without delay in the same manner as are the advices of ordinary orders. In the Money-order Issue Statement the name of the colony where an order is payable must be followed by the word "Telegram." The Postmaster should direct the remitter to send a telegram to the payee advising him of the issue of the order, the cost of which telegram must be borne by the remitter. This private telegram to the payee is indispensable, as the order will not be paid unless it is produced.

Telegram to paying office authorising payment.

(a.) The Postmaster will then prepare a telegram to the paying office on the special form provided for the purpose, the particulars being carefully transcribed in the order in which they are shown on that form.

One telegram may cover two or more orders from same remitter when numbers are continuous.

(b.) When two or more intercolonial money-order telegrams are sent from the same remitter to the same payee, only the first and last numbers of the series need be given, but the amount must be written in words and in code for the whole.

Code-word to be used.

(c.) Each intercolonial money-order telegram must contain the appropriate code word, to be obtained from the list supplied to all Postmasters in charge of money-order offices. In all other respects the issue of intercolonial money-order telegrams is governed by the rules applicable to inland money-order telegrams.

Payment of money-order telegrams.

88. When a money-order telegram is presented for payment the directions given in Rules 43, 44, and 85 must be observed, the only exceptions being that the order and its relative advice must be countersigned *with pen and ink* by the officer in charge or assistant officer in charge of the telegraph-office from which they are delivered, and that the code-word shown in the advice must be carefully compared with the amount.

As the remitter's name is given in the order it is essential that the payee's identity be satisfactorily established before payment is made.

Repayment of money-order telegrams.

89. If through the absence of the payee or from any other cause a money-order telegram cannot be delivered, and repayment should be required, the remitter should apply on the form provided for the purpose (Form Acct. No. 80). On receipt of the application the Postmaster will deal with the order in accordance with the directions contained in the rules for repayment of ordinary orders (Rules 70 to 73), the only exception being that it is not necessary for the order to be signed by the remitter.

Authority for delivery of money-order telegram to Postmaster when repayment applied for.

(a.) At offices where the post and telegraph branches are not combined the production of the application for repayment will be regarded as sufficient authority for delivery of the money-order telegram to the Postmaster.

Telegrams applying for transfer or repayment must be signed by applicant.

(b.) Telegrams applying for the transfer or repayment of a money-order telegram may be acted upon, subject to the following conditions:—

When such a telegram is presented for transmission the officer receiving it must obtain thereon the signature of the applicant (who must be either the remitter or the payee), and transmit in the instructions of the telegram the words "Signature obtained." A telegram so treated may be dealt with in the same way as an ordinary written request, and the production of it will entitle the Postmaster to obtain the order referred to therein from the telegraph-office if the post and telegraph branches are not combined at that place.

Intercolonial money-order telegrams. Precautions to be taken when paying.

90. On receipt of an intercolonial money-order telegram the Postmaster must carefully compare the code-word shown therein with the amount, and, should there be any discrepancy, payment must be deferred until it has been ascertained, by reference to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, which amount is correct. The Postmaster will be held responsible for any overpayment caused through an error in transmission or otherwise which might have been detected by compliance with the foregoing directions.

Telegram of advice received by payee from remitter must be produced before payment.

(a.) The applicant for payment of an intercolonial money-order telegram must produce the telegram of advice received from the remitter and satisfy the Postmaster that he is the person entitled to receive payment. If any doubt is entertained as to the authority, express or implied, of a person to receive payment on behalf of the payee, the Postmaster may require such person to produce written authority from the payee for the payment. When the Postmaster is satisfied on these points he should obtain the applicant's receipt in the space provided for the purpose on the order, which should then be dealt with as directed in Rule 61.

MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS.

Preparation of money-order accounts.

91. The Postmaster is required to send in to his Chief Postmaster, enclosed in the envelope provided for the purpose, statements of all his transactions, together with a balanced Post Office Account on Form Acct. No. 7, in which must be included the total receipts and payments under each class of business to be accounted for, and on which the bank certificate must be given for any portion of the balance of that account which may be deposited in a bank.

Periods for which statements are to be rendered. Penalty for delay in rendering accounts.

(a.) The statements, with the proper vouchers, must be sent in with the Post Office Account four times a month—namely, for the periods from the 1st to the 7th, from the 8th to the 15th, from the 16th to the 23rd, and from the 24th to the last day of every month inclusive—or as frequently as the Postmaster may be specially directed by his Chief Postmaster to furnish them, and must be despatched by the first mail after the closing of his office for money-order business on the last day of the period for which the state-

ments are furnished, in brown-paper envelopes provided for the purpose. The packets must be advised of on the letter-bills accompanying the mails by which they are despatched, in the space provided for the purpose, thus: "Post Office Account, 1/7 June." For every neglect of this instruction a fine of 5s. may be inflicted.

Brown-paper envelopes. Gummed labels to be used for fastening envelopes containing accounts.

(b.) The brown-paper envelopes used for transmitting the accounts and vouchers between the Postmaster and his Chief Office are intended to remain in use for a considerable time, and great care should therefore be exercised in dealing with them, so that they may last as long as possible. Neither gum nor wax may be used in fastening them, the official gummed labels supplied for the purpose alone being used. A sufficient supply of these labels must always be kept on hand.

Preparation of money-order statements. Money-orders issued.

(c.) The statements of money-order transactions must be prepared, as regards money-orders issued, by the transcription of the particulars of each order from the requisition on Form Acct. No. 70, with the commission charged upon each order, into the relative columns of the form of Money-order Issue Statement; and, in order to insure correctness in this respect, each money-order, before it is handed to the remitter, must be compared with the relative entry in the statement. In any case in which the rigid observance of this rule is likely to cause inconvenience and delay (see Rule 22 (a)) it may be relaxed, but the comparison must be made between the statement and the advice before the latter leaves the office. The commission on each order must be accurately stated. The amount of the orders issued and of the commission must be cast at the close of each day's business, and the totals legibly entered in the Post-office Cash-book.

Money-orders paid.

(d.) As regards the paid orders, the particulars of each order must be transcribed, as soon as possible after payment, into the Paid Orders Statement. The amount entered on each advice must be compared with the amount copied from the relative order into the statement, and the total amount of the orders paid must then be ascertained by a cast of the statement, and legibly entered in the Post Office Cash-book.

Statements of money-order transactions to be carefully cast, &c. Totals of number and amount to be carried into Post Office Account. Money-order Paid Statement must be supported by relative vouchers.

(e.) At the close of every period for which the Post Office Account is made up the Statements of Money-orders Issued and Paid must be carefully cast, and the totals of the transactions legibly entered and ruled off, as shown in the specimen statements appended to these rules. The total number and amount of orders issued and paid, together with the commission, must then be carried to the Post Office Account, and the statements, accompanied by the relative orders and advices, must be sent in and enclosed with that account. Any claim for which the voucher is not received will be disallowed, unless, in place of the voucher, a satisfactory explanation of its detention be furnished on Form Acct. No. 146, and credit will not be allowed for any order not duly receipted and stamped with the date of payment.

Statements must be signed by Postmaster.

(f.) The Postmaster must always sign the Statements of Money-orders Issued and Paid, and in full as regards his surname.

Theft of money-order forms.

92. If any money-order forms be stolen from a post-office, the Postmaster in charge thereof must at once send a brief statement of the facts, and the numbers of the missing forms, to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, by telegram, of which a copy should be sent to his Chief Postmaster. Before the numbers of the missing forms are telegraphed they must be carefully verified.

Information to be given by Postmaster when reporting loss.

(a.) The Postmaster must be careful to state whether his office date-stamp is in his possession. If it is, he must state if there is any reason to suppose it was used on the stolen forms before they were carried off by the thief. If there is reason to suppose that it was so used, or if it is missing altogether, the reporting officer must telegraph exact particulars of the type contained in it at the time of the theft. If he has still the date-stamp he must put an impression of it in the margin of the report sent by post to the Controller.

Steps to be taken by Chief Postmaster when theft reported to him.

(b.) On receipt of advice of the theft of money-order forms in his district the Chief Postmaster must at once report the matter to the responsible officer of the local police, informing him of any facts in connection with the robbery which might assist in the detection of the thief or thieves.

Circular telegram will be sent by Controller to Chief Postmasters.

(c.) A circular telegram in the following terms will be sent by the Controller to each Chief Postmaster, and by Chief Postmasters to their respective sub-offices:—

Form of telegram.

“Money-order Forms Nos. to stolen from . . . Act upon Instructions, Rule 92.”

(d.) When suburban and other offices can be reached by daily mail the instruction must be sent by post instead of by telegraph.

The instructions are as follows:—

Action to be taken on receipt of warning.

(e.) Upon receipt of warning of a theft of money-order forms, every office which pays money-orders must take the following precautions:—

Advices on hand to be examined.

(1.) All money-order advices, either in hand at the time the warning arrives or afterwards received, must be carefully examined, and if an advice corresponding with one of the stolen money-order forms be discovered it must at once be marked “Stolen,” and the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, advised by telegram.

Steps to be taken if stolen orders presented for payment.

(2.) If any one of the money-order forms described be tendered for payment, whether by a banker or any other person, the officer to whom it is tendered should refuse payment and impound the form; and he should also detain the person tendering the form unless such person be known to him, or able to give a satisfactory explanation of his possession of it. In any case a telegram should at once be sent to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, giving an account of the attempt to cash the form.

Suspension of business at a post-office which is also a money-order office.

93. When from any reason it is necessary to suspend business at a post-office which is also a money-order office, the Chief Postmaster of the district must cause all money on hand due from the Postmaster to be remitted to him. Arrangements should also be made for the safe custody of the money-order and advice forms, and all the official books and forms used in connection therewith. A copy of the subjoined notice should also be exhibited in the window of the vacant office:—

Form of notice to be exhibited.

“Suspension of Business.

“The business of this office is for the present suspended. Any money-orders drawn on this office will be paid on application at [naming the office], or the money will be sent by post on a written application to that effect enclosing the money-order duly signed, and showing on the back of the order the required information respecting the remitter’s name.

“Date: . . . , Chief Postmaster.

Suspension of business to be reported.

(a.) The suspension of money-order business must be reported at once to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington. All advices addressed to the vacant office must be intercepted and treated as payable at the nearest money-order office.

Bond of security.

94. The Postmaster will be required to give security by bond to the Crown when he is not secured under the Civil Service Officers’ Guarantee Act.

Preservation of books, forms, &c.

95. The books, forms, &c., supplied to Postmasters for money-order business must be carefully preserved, and must be delivered up by the officers intrusted with them when they are called upon to do so, or when they give up charge of their offices.

Reserve cash balance.

96. The Postmaster will be allowed to retain a certain fixed amount of official cash, called a “reserve balance,” to enable him to meet the ordinary requirements of his office. If, however, in special circumstances it should be necessary for the Postmaster to keep an amount of cash above the authorised reserve, to enable him to pay money-orders that have been advised upon his office, and payment of which will be immediately required, he must report the facts to his Chief Office, forwarding a list of the vouchers for demands which his ordinary reserve balance may be insufficient to meet.

Funds in excess of authorised reserve not to be retained to meet orders over three months old.

97. The Postmaster cannot be permitted to retain funds in excess of his authorised cash reserve, to meet the pay-

ment of orders drawn upon his office, if the advices are more than three months old.

Remittances.

98. Except in the foregoing circumstances, the Postmaster must remit to his Chief Office by every mail all the official cash, exclusive of odd shillings and pence, in his possession in excess of his authorised reserve, whenever that excess reaches or exceeds £10.

Should be enclosed in form provided for purpose.

(a.) Remittances should be enclosed in the form provided for the purpose, the amount being stated opposite to that heading in the form which describes its nature. When despatching a remittance the Postmaster must describe it on his letter-bill as “Official Remittance.” It must never be enclosed in the envelope in which the Post Office Account is sent.

Application for funds.

99. Should the Postmaster receive notice of unusually large demands to be made upon his office, and for the payment of which he requires more cash than the reserve balance, he must, when no funds have been specially remitted to him or authorised to be retained, apply to his Chief Postmaster for a remittance on the form (Acct. No. 93) called “Requisition for Funds,” taking care to despatch it as a separate letter. Should he be unable to meet an authorised demand for want of funds he must report the fact by the first post to his Chief Office.

May be made by telegraph in urgent cases.

(a.) In urgent cases the Postmaster may telegraph for funds. The telegram should be forwarded as early in the day as possible, and be worded as briefly as the sense will permit.

Remittances by telegraph.

(b.) In all cases in which a Postmaster is placed in funds by telegraph the usual form of advice of remittance (Acct. No. 87A), filled up with the necessary particulars and enclosed “Sent by telegraph,” must be sent from the Chief Office to the Postmaster, who will, on receipt of the form, acknowledge the remittance in the usual manner.

Official cash not to be used for private purposes.

100. The Postmaster must clearly understand that he is allowed to hold an official balance solely to enable him to meet the requirements of the public service, and he must on no account apply to his own private use, for however short a period, any portion of the official balance intrusted to him.

Failure to remit excess over authorised reserve or explain omission may lead to suspension.

101. If when the Postmaster is applied to with reference to an excessive balance he should fail to make the necessary remittance, or to forward a satisfactory explanation by return of post, it may be considered necessary to send an officer to take charge of his office, and the expenses incidental to this proceeding may be charged to the Postmaster.

How remittance-letters should be dealt with. Amount must be entered in cash-book.

102. Every remittance-letter should, upon its receipt, be immediately opened by the Postmaster himself, if possible, and the several items composing it carefully compared with the invoice or advice which must accompany each remittance. Should any discrepancy be discovered between a remittance and the invoice, or should there be any kind of irregularity with regard to the remittance, the Postmaster will, when practicable, have the remittance carefully checked and compared with the invoice by a second officer, who must write on the invoice the words “Checked by me,” and add his signature. The Postmaster must then at once communicate the facts to his Chief Office, by telegraph if possible. Neglect of these instructions will render the Postmaster liable for any loss that may arise in consequence of such neglect. When satisfied of the correctness of the remittance, the Postmaster must enter the amount under the proper heading in his cash-book on the day when the remittance was received, and then fill up, sign, and return an acknowledgment of the receipt on the form forwarded for the purpose. The remittance envelopes in which the remittances are received must be returned by the next post after their receipt.

Remittance-letters must be registered.

103. Every remittance-letter despatched by the Postmaster must be treated as a registered letter, and must be entered in the Registered-letter Book thus: “Official remittance.” The remittance of cash should, when possible, be effected by paying the money into the bank to the credit of the Chief Postmaster’s Deposit Account, and forwarding the bank receipt to the Chief Office. The remittance enclosed in the remittance-letter must be properly folded in it; and if coin be enclosed it should be so tightly and securely packed that it cannot become loose in the letter. The greatest care must

be taken to see that the remittance-letter is properly secured and safely despatched in the mail. The Postmaster will be held responsible for any loss arising from negligence in these respects, besides rendering himself liable to the usual fines.

Receipt of remittances to be acknowledged.

104. A receipt for every remittance despatched to the Chief Postmaster should be furnished to the Postmaster by return of post. Should the acknowledgment not arrive in due course, the fact must be reported to the Chief Postmaster at once.

Record must be kept of notes sent with remittance.

105. In order to facilitate subsequent inquiry respecting any remittance, a record should be kept of the numbers and other particulars of all bank-notes remitted, and a copy of the remittance-letter should be made and kept until the receipt of the remittance is acknowledged.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CHIEF POSTMASTERS.

Foregoing instructions to be observed by Chief Offices.

106. The rules for the transaction of money-order business at sub-offices are to be observed at Chief Offices, as far as applicable.

Delay in sending in sub-office accounts to be reported.

107. Whenever a Sub-Postmaster fails to send in his account by the first mail after the close of business on the last day of the period for which it is rendered, in accordance with Rule No. 91, an explanation of the failure must be promptly obtained on Form Acct. No. 35 and forwarded to the Controller.

Advices on places abroad.

108. The advices of money-orders issued at sub-offices for payment abroad must be stamped with the date of their receipt at the Chief Offices, to which they are required to be sent from the issuing offices. On the advices of the orders issued at the Chief Offices the stamp showing the date of issue is sufficient.

Advices of orders on places abroad to be entered on lists.

109. The advices of money-orders payable abroad, other than those payable in foreign countries and British colonies through the London Office, must be entered on and despatched with lists sent by the New Zealand Office of Exchange addressed to the Chief or Exchange Offices of the countries in or through the medium of which the relative orders are payable.

Must be numbered consecutively throughout the year. United States lists.

(a.) The lists for each country must be numbered consecutively throughout the year, commencing with No. 1 at the beginning of each year's transactions, with the exception of those for the United States of America, the new number for which must commence with the first list prepared after the despatch of the last June mail, and will therefore include the balance of June orders not included in the lists despatched by the previous mail.

Canadian lists.

(b.) For Canadian lists a new number must be commenced each year with the first list containing July orders. Orders must, as far as possible, be entered alphabetically as regards the office of issue, and in numerical sequence for each of those offices.

List-number must be entered on Money-order Issue Statement in column headed "Entered."

110. The number of the list on which the advice of each order payable abroad is entered must be written in the column headed "Entered," against the entry of the order in the Money-order Issue Statement; and a mark, thus x, in red ink must be placed in the same column against the entries of orders the advices of which are sent to the Exchange Office to be listed.

Through London orders.

111. The advices of money-orders issued on foreign countries and British colonies for payment through the medium of the London Office must be entered on the advice-lists for London after the entries of the advices of orders payable in the United Kingdom, and under the heading "Through Money-orders," to be written above the entries.

(a.) The advices for each country must be entered in a group arranged in alphabetical order according to office of issue, and in numerical sequence, and the amounts included in the totals of the lists instead of separate totals being made.

Name of country to be entered on list after name of office of payment.

(b.) The name of the country in which payment is to be made should be entered immediately after that of the office upon which the order is drawn, thus: "Paris, France," "Berne, Switzerland," &c.

Advices of orders on United States and Canada.

112. On the advices of money-orders drawn on the United States and Canada the amount payable must be stated in United States and Canadian money at the Chief Offices where the orders are entered on the advice-lists. This amount must be shown at the right-hand top corner of each advice, immediately below the amount in figures, in the space within an impression, which must be affixed there, of the stamp indicating the currency.

To be entered on special form of list.

(a.) The advices are to be entered on the form of advice-list (Form Acct. No. 176), and all the particulars given which are required by the headings of the form, except the "Current Number of International Order," the column for which is to be filled up in the Auckland Office only.

Particulars may be telegraphed for.

(b.) If any Postmaster should fail to give the required particulars they should be obtained by telegraph, and the irregularity reported.

Totals of each list despatched to be telegraphed to Auckland.

113. Immediately after the departure for Auckland of the mail to San Francisco a telegram on the form provided for the purpose (Acct. No. 310) must be sent to the Chief Postmaster, Auckland, giving such particulars of the lists despatched to the United States and Canada as are indicated by the form. If no lists have been despatched a telegram to that effect should be sent. The lists must invariably be posted as soon as they are completed.

How lists for Cape Colony and other places should be dealt with. Form of list to be used.

114. In the case of orders drawn on Cape Colony, Natal, Transvaal, Ceylon, Germany, Hongkong, India, and Straits Settlements, the advices must be transmitted by sub-offices to their respective Chief Offices, and by the latter to Wellington under cover addressed to the Chief Postmaster. They must in all cases bear an impression of the dated stamp of the Chief Office of the district in which they are issued, and are not to be entered upon any list. Upon receipt at Wellington the advices must be sorted into postal districts, arranged in alphabetical and numerical order, and entered upon lists for transmission to the countries upon which they are drawn. The form of list which should be used in each case is shown elsewhere.

Fiji and Samoa.

115. Advices of orders drawn on Fiji and Samoa must be transmitted by sub-offices to their respective Chief Offices, and by the latter to Auckland, addressed to the Chief Postmaster. Upon receipt at Auckland they will be dealt with as directed in Rule No. 109.

Germany.

116. On the advices of orders drawn on Germany the amount payable must be stated, immediately below the amount in figures, in German money within an impression, which must be affixed there, of the stamp indicating the currency. It is essential that the address of the payee in each case be given fully and precisely, as on it depends the determination by the Munich Office of Exchange of the particular office at which the order shall be made payable. If an address is observed to be insufficient, either at the Chief Office of the district in which it was issued or at Wellington, an amplification thereof should be obtained—if necessary, by telegraph—and a special report made of the issuing officer's neglect.

Hawaii.

117. The advices of orders drawn on Hawaii must be sent by sub-offices to their respective Chief Offices, and by the latter to the Exchange Office at Auckland, addressed to the Chief Postmaster. Upon receipt at Auckland they will be dealt with as directed in Rule No. 109.

Australian States.

118. The advices of money-orders drawn on the Australian States must be sent by sub-offices to their respective Chief Offices, there to be entered on lists for transmission to the Chief Office of the State within which they are payable.

Copies of lists to be sent to Controller.

(a.) Immediately after the despatch of the advice-lists, exact copies thereof must be forwarded to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

"Corrected" and "second" advices of orders drawn on places abroad.

119. The "corrected" and "second" advices of orders drawn on places abroad must be entered on the advice-lists, but excluded from the totals, unless the original advices have not been entered on any former lists.

Applications for corrected advices to be sent to Controller.

120. All applications for corrected advices must be sent to the Controller with the next Post Office Account rendered after the applications are received.

Errors in lists.

121. Any error found in a list after its despatch must be at once reported to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, but no adjustment may be made in a subsequent list without instructions from the Controller to do so.

Abstract of advice-lists to be furnished.

122. An abstract of advice-lists on Form Acct. No. 34 must be furnished monthly by each Chief Office, showing the totals, according to the advice-lists, of orders issued during the month on places abroad. The lists for each office must be entered in the order in which the relative countries appear in the table on page 48. The abstract must be forwarded to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, with the Post Office Account for the last period of each month.

Advice-lists to be stamped on receipt.

123. Upon receipt of a list of money-orders issued in the United Kingdom an impression of the Chief Office date-stamp must be placed on the list and on each of the relative advices, and the advices must then be forwarded to the paying offices.

Advices of orders drawn in Australian States will not be accompanied by lists.

124. In the case of the Australian States a general list is sent direct to the Controller by the Chief Office of each State, and the advices will reach the Chief Offices unaccompanied by any list. Care must therefore be taken to see that they each bear an impression of the date-stamp of the Chief Office of the State in which they were issued. If they do not bear such impression, payment should be stopped, and the matter reported to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Advices of orders drawn in United States, Canada, Hawaii, Fiji, and Samoa received from Exchange Office, Auckland. Of orders drawn in Cape Colony, Natal, Ceylon, Hongkong, Straits Settlements, and Transvaal from Exchange Office, Wellington.

125. Advices of orders drawn in the United States of America, Canada, Fiji, Samoa (Apia), and Hawaii will be forwarded to the paying offices by the Exchange Office at Auckland after they have been compared with the list which accompanies them and been date-stamped at that office. Similarly, in the case of orders drawn in the Cape Colony, Natal, Ceylon, Hongkong, Straits Settlements, and Transvaal for payment in New Zealand, the advices will be despatched to the paying offices from the Exchange Office at Wellington.

Orders advised as issued in Germany and India. New orders will be issued at Exchange Office, Wellington.

126. In the case of orders drawn in Germany and India for payment in New Zealand, new orders will be issued at the Exchange Office at Wellington from the particulars furnished in the lists received from those countries, a special money-order and advice form, bearing the imprint "Germany" or "India," as the case may be, being used. The orders must be sent by the Exchange Office to the payee at the address given in the list, whilst the advices will be despatched to the paying offices in the usual manner. The numbers of the new orders issued must, in the case of Germany, be entered at the left-hand side of the column headed "Remarks," and in the case of India in the column provided for the purpose.

Cash Account to be furnished.

127. At the close of business each day the Cash Account must be made up, checked with the cash, transcribed into the book supplied for the purpose, and forwarded to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, with the statements of the transactions.

Summary of totals of Money-order Statements.

128. The totals of the Money-order Statements of each Chief Office must be entered, with those of its sub-offices, in a summary, showing the totals of the money-orders issued and paid in the relative postal district during the period for which it is furnished, the Chief Office transactions being shown in daily totals as well as in one general total for the period. This summary, with the relative statements and vouchers (other than the Chief Office ones, which are rendered daily), must be forwarded to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, immediately after the receipt at the Chief Office of all the sub-office Money-order Statements. The sub-office entries on the summary must be arranged in alphabetical order.

Cash to be obtained by drafts on the Postmaster-General.

129. Cash required to meet payments on Post Office Account must be obtained by a draft on the Postmaster-General for the amount required, such draft to be countersigned by the officer appointed to do so, and the amount brought to charge as a remittance from the Postmaster-General. If, however, the whole amount of the authorised advance has been obtained, and sufficient time has not elapsed to admit of the last draft being cleared by the Post-

master-General at Wellington, a telegram stating the additional sum required, countersigned as an ordinary draft, must be sent to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington.

Reserve balance.

130. Each Chief Postmaster is authorised to retain a fixed sum, called a "reserve balance," for the payments on Post Office Account, and such sum should be kept in the bank with which for the time being the account of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand is kept (or at such other bank as may be specially directed by the Postmaster-General), in an Official Deposit Account to be opened under the designation of "The Chief Postmaster's Deposit Account."

Excess to be paid to the Post Office Account.

131. Whenever the balance in hand exceeds the amount of the reserve balance by one-third, the whole excess, consisting of a multiple of £10, must be paid to the Post Office Account. A report of the lodgment on Form Acct. No. 19 must be sent to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, by the first mail despatched after the lodgment has been made; and a receipt, also on Form Acct. No. 19, must be taken from the bank and sent in with the Post-office Daily Cash Account in which credit for the amount is claimed.

Discrepancies in cash to be reported.

132. Every deficiency or surplus discovered in the cash, whether at a Chief Office or at one of its sub-offices, must be at once reported by the Chief Postmaster to the Controller, Money-order Office, Wellington, on Form P.O. No. 106.

Disposal of old books and forms.

The period of time for which the documents described hereunder are to be retained is as follows:—

133. Filled money-order journals	10 years.
Money-order requisitions	3 "
Press copies of lists of money-orders ..	10 "
Statements rendered with accounts and copies thereof	10 "
Sub-office Post Office accounts	3 "

(a.) After the expiration of the period named in each case the respective documents should be placed in bags, and then be despatched to the Post and Telegraph Storekeeper, Wellington.

(b.) Each bag should bear a proper address, and also a serial number.

(c.) A memorandum of advice, giving particulars of the contents of the bags and the numbers thereof, should be posted to the Storekeeper as soon as the bags are despatched to that officer.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Land taken for a Native School at Ramoto.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this third day of December, 1902.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. C. WALKER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a certain public work, to wit, a Native school:

And whereas it has been made a condition of the establishment of the said Native school that the site required therefor shall be a free gift from the Native owners to His Majesty the King, and the Native owners have agreed to such condition, and it has been made to appear that such agreement is sufficient for the purposes intended to be effected thereby:

And whereas by an order of the Native Land Court, made under the provisions of "The Native Land Court Act, 1886," and its amendments, bearing date the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, certain aboriginal natives, as in the said order mentioned, were declared to be the owners of the portion of the Taupara Block within which the said land is situated:

And whereas, as required by "The Public Works Act, 1894," a map has been prepared showing accurately the position and extent of the said land, and such map is hereto attached:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and "The Public Works Acts Amendment Act, 1900," and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the land shown upon the said map and described in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the said Native school, and shall vest in His Majesty the

King, as from the fifteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and three.

SCHEDULE.

RAMOTO NATIVE-SCHOOL SITE.

Approximate Area.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block in No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked
A. R. P. 5 0 0	Taupara No. 2 Block	XVI.	Taramarama	E. 1902/722-401.

In the Land District of Hawke's Bay; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan as described above, deposited in the Education Department, at Wellington, and thereon bordered pink.

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

Trustees for the Kimberley Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

ALEXANDER HAY,
BELL REVELEY, and
DUNCAN McBEATH

to be Trustees, in the place of Bell Reveley, deceased, and Henry McNae and John Brown, jun., resigned, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Kimberley Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Auckland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 2 of Block VI., Kawhia South Survey District, containing by admeasurement 261 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east generally by Taumatotara Road 17118 links, thence by the Taumatotara Block 475 links, thence again by Taumatotara Road 911 links, and by the Taumatotara Block aforesaid 2915 links; thence towards the south-west by the Kinohaku West No. 12 Section 1b Block, 11813 links; and towards the west by Section No. 7 of Block V., Kawhia South Survey District, 4971 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49721, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For the preservation of scenery.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being part of Allotment No. 100 of the Parish of Titirangi, containing by admeasurement 9 acres 3 roods 17 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by the Mount Albert Road, commencing at the eastern angle of Allotment No. 97 of the aforesaid Parish of Titirangi, 100 links; thence towards the south-east by Lot 96 and other part of Lot 100 of the said Parish of Titirangi, 662 links; thence towards the north-east by part of the said Lot 100, 690 links; thence towards the

south-east by part of Lot 100 aforesaid, 500 and 264 links respectively; thence towards the south-west generally by part of Lot 100 aforesaid, 329, 150, and 764 links respectively; thence towards the north-west generally by part of Lot 100 aforesaid and by Lot 97 of the Parish of Titirangi aforesaid, 362, 231, 434, and 658 links respectively, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 47667, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a quarry reserve.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, being part of Allotment No. 100 of the Parish of Titirangi, containing by admeasurement 12 acres 2 roods 12 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Lot 96 of the said Parish of Titirangi, 908 links; towards the south-east by Lot 95 of the Parish of Titirangi aforesaid, 1072 links; thence towards the south-west by Lot 54 of the Parish of Titirangi aforesaid, 1652 links; thence towards the north-west by Lot 98 of the Parish of Titirangi aforesaid and the abutment of a road, 1220 links; thence towards the north by Lot 97 of the Parish of Titirangi aforesaid, 785 links; thence towards the south-east generally by other part of Lot 100 of the Parish of Titirangi, 108, 434, 231, and 362 links respectively; thence towards the north-east generally by other part of the said Lot 100, 764, 150, and 329 links respectively; thence towards the north-west generally by other part of the said Lot 100, 264, 500, 690, and 108 links respectively, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 47667A, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a reserve for public recreation.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Temporarily reserving Lands in the Westland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Westland Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres, more or less, being Section R. 353, situated in Block XIV., Kanieri Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by the Kokatahi Road, towards the south-east by a public road, towards the south-west by Section No. 1981, and towards the north-west by the Hokitika Flat Road; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 46561, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For an Agricultural and Pastoral Association reserve.

All that area in the Westland Land District, containing by admeasurement 300 acres, more or less, being Section R. 341, situated in Block I., Toaroha Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road; towards the south-east by a public road and by Sections Nos. 965 and 966; towards the south-west by a line bearing N. 51° 45' W., 5480 links; and towards the north-west by a line bearing N. 38° 15' E., 5480 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 46561A, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For an Agricultural and Pastoral Association reserve.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Temporarily reserving Land in the Southland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 8 perches, more or less, being Section No. 1, Block I., Town of Winton. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 11 of the said Block I., 7 links, and by Bute Street, 298 links; thence towards the north-east by Great North Road, 100 links; thence towards the south-east by Clyde Street, 106 links; and towards the south-west by Section No. 2 of the said Block I., 300 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49263, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For reserve for post and telegraph purposes.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Wellington Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the land in the Wellington Land District described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purpose in the said Schedule specified at the end of the description of the land so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, more or less, being Section No. 8, Mauriceville Village East. Bounded towards the south-east by Wellington-Napier railway reserve, towards the south-west by the Main Road, and towards the north-west by a public road; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49624, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For public buildings of County Council.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Wellington Land District.

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:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 2 roods 25 perches, more or less, being Section No. 26A, Block IV., Tiriraukawa Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 7 of the said Block IV., towards the east by the Ngauinga Road, and towards the south-west by the said Ngauinga Road; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49705, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a quarry reserve.

All that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 44 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 47, Block XVI., Apati Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Makoura Road, towards the south-east by Section No. 12 of the said Block XVI., towards the south-west by Section No. 10 of Block XVI. aforesaid, and towards the west by road reserve along the Makiekie or Coal Creek; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49709, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For growth and preservation of timber.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Southland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Sections Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19, and 20, Block XXIII., Town of Riverton. Bounded towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 21 and 22 of the said Block XXIII., towards the south-west by the said Section No. 21, again towards the north-west by King Street, towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 17 and 12 of the said Block XXIII., towards the south-east by Augusta Place, and again towards the south-west by Section No. 6 of the said Block XXIII.; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48344, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For municipal purposes.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Prebbleton Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the forty-fifth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the local authority specified in the first column of

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

SCHEDULE.

Local Authority.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
The Templeton Road Board.	<p style="text-align: center;">PREBBLETON.</p> <p>All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 15 acres, more or less, being Section No. 2420 (in red), formerly part of Reserve No. 219, Block XIII., Christchurch Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Rural Section No. 6407, 1299 links; towards the north-east by the remaining portion of Reserve No. 219, 1155 links; towards the south-east by Shand's Road, 1299 links; and towards the south-west by the said Section No. 6407, 1155 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.</p>

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Onewhero Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Walter Alexander, Matthew Poland, Joseph Logan, Arthur Crawford, and William Glasgow.	<p style="text-align: center;">ONEWHERO.</p> <p>All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 97 of the Parish of Onewhero, containing by admeasurement 7 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by a public road, 40, 292, 444, and 261 links; towards the east by a public road, 217, 48, 11, 75, 114, 168, 479, and 378 links; towards the south by a public road, 382 links; and towards the west by a public road, 1285 links: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.</p>

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands in the Auckland Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby

declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on and after the fourth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may be selected on lease in perpetuity only, in accordance with the provisions of section one hundred and twenty-one of the said Act, as they contain, or are supposed to contain, metals, minerals, or valuable stone; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—KAWHIA COUNTY.
Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half yearly Rent.
<i>Kawhia South Survey District.</i>				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
4	II.	251 2 0	0 9-84	5 3 2
5	II.	183 0 0	0 9-84	3 15 0
6	II.	185 0 0	0 9-84	3 15 10
7	II.	457 0 0	0 11-04	10 10 3

Section 4: Altitude, from sea-level up to 400 ft.; about 20 acres mixed forest, balance open; broken country; well watered; papa formation; patches of good soil in gullies, balance fair to poor; seven miles from Kawhia by water. Section 5: Altitude, from sea-level up to 450 ft.; 30 acres manuka, balance mixed forest; light soil, fair to poor; papa formation; well watered; seven miles from Kawhia by water. Section 6: Altitude, from 150 ft. to 450 ft. above sea-level; 15 acres manuka, balance mixed forest; soil and general quality the same as Section 5; distance from Kawhia, eight miles by road and water. Section 7: Altitude, from 100 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level; 5 acres fern, balance mixed forest; the soil and quality same as Section 5; distance from Kawhia, eight miles by road and water. The forest on these lands consists of rimu, rata, tawa, hinau, and mangiao, with undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, and mahoe.

Kawhia North Survey District.

2	XIV.	334 0 0	0 11-04	7 13 8
3	XIV.	472 2 34	0 9-84	9 14 0
4	XIV.	225 0 0	0 11-04	5 3 6

Section 2: Altitude, from sea-level up to 300 ft.; 30 acres light forest, comprising rewarewa, kowhai, hoho, mahoe, and supplejack in places; no timber of any value; 20 acres heavy manuka, 20 acres raupo swamp difficult to drain, balance fern; well watered; soil light, poor on ridges, with a deep loam in gullies; undulating land; papa and limestone formation; frontage to navigable river, about seven miles from Kawhia. Section 3: Altitude, from 20 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level; 130 acres light forest—some rimu, tawa, and hinau, with undergrowth of mahoe, kotukutuku, supplejack, and papaoma, no timber of commercial value—balance fern country of a clayey nature; some very rough limestone towards Whenuapo Trig. Station; limestone formation; well watered; distance from Kawhia, eight miles by road and water. Section 4: Altitude, from sea-level up to 300 ft.; 90 acres forest, the same as in Section 2, balance fern country similar to Section 2 but a little more broken; papa formation; well watered; distance from Kawhia, eight miles by water. These lands are pastoral, and suited for dairying or sheep.

Maungamangero Survey District.

1	I.	1,162 0 0	0 8-36	20 6 8
2	I.	1,715 0 0	0 8-36	30 0 3

Section 1: Altitude, 900 ft. to 2,000 ft.; all heavy mixed forest; moderately rough sandstone country; soil very fair; well watered; fencing-timber scarce; about twenty-five miles from Kawhia; access by Kairimu Road and Pomarangei Road. Section 2: Altitude, 600 ft. to 1,800 ft.; all heavy mixed forest; rough sandstone country; soil fair; well watered; fencing-timber scarce; about twenty miles from Kawhia; access by Kairimu Road. Both sections fair grazing-country.

1	II.	1,318 0 0	0 8-36	23 1 4
2	II.	1,473 0 0	0 8-36	25 15 7
3	II.	1,540 0 0	0 8-36	26 19 0
4	II.	1,344 0 0	0 8-36	23 10 5

Section 1: Altitude, 600 ft. to 1,100 ft.; all heavy mixed forest; moderately rough sandstone country; fair soil;

about 400 acres very precipitous limestone land with good soil; well watered. Section 2: Altitude, 600 ft. to 1,800 ft.; all heavy mixed forest; rough sandstone country; very fair soil; about 300 acres near middle of section fairly good and easy country. Section 3: Altitude, 700 ft. to 1,400 ft.; heavy mixed forest; moderately rough sandstone country; fair soil. Section 4: Altitude, 800 ft. to 1,500 ft.; heavy mixed forest; rough sandstone country; fair soil; well watered. Fencing-timber scarce on these sections. Situated from twenty-two to twenty-eight miles from Kawhia, and from twenty-four to twenty-eight miles from Te Kumi Railway-station; access by main road and Pomarangei Road.

Trustees for the Miller's Flat Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

Section.	Block.	Area.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.					
				Rent per Acre per Annum.		Half yearly Rent.			
8	VI.	A. 1,364	R. 0	P. 0	s. 0	d. 8-36	£ 23	s. 17	d. 5
9	VI.	1,456	0	0	0	8-36	25	9	7
11	VI.	1,105	0	0	0	7-2	16	11	6
12	VI.	996	0	0	0	9-6	19	18	5

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
John Kerr, John Sellars, John Pringle, Peter Shiels, and Robert Richardson.	MILLER'S FLAT. All that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 3 roods 5 perches, more or less, being Section No. 63, Block III., Bengier Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 17, 700 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 18, 550 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 18, 677 links; and towards the south-west by a road line, 550 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin.

Altitude, from 400 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level. Mostly broken, covered with mixed forest, comprising rata, rimu, tawa, and tawhiri; papa formation; soil good; well watered. There is some limestone on the eastern side of Section 8, and some good undulating land at the northern end of Section 12. The land is suitable for pastoral purposes only. Present access by pack-track; about twelve miles from Paemako Post-office, and from there twenty-one miles by dray-road from Te Kuiti Railway-station.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.		Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
				A.	R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Hokianga ..	Mangamuka	5	XV.	122	0 0	0 10 0	61 0 0	0 6	1 10 6	0 4-8	1 4 5
Land of good quality; well watered; covered with mixed forest and high tea-tree. Access only by the Wairere, an inlet of the Hokianga Harbour; about six miles from Kohukohu by water.											
Tauranga ..	Te Papa*	562	..	48	0 0	0 10 0	24 0 0	0 6	0 12 0	0 4-8	0 9 8
Half open, half forest land, containing tawa, rimu, rata, pukatea; soil good; well watered by two streams. Situated one mile and a half from Oropi.											
Kawhia ..	Orahiri ..	6	X.	272	0 0	0 15 0	204 0 0	0 9	5 2 0	0 7-2	4 1 7
About 40 acres forest, balance open land; limestone formation; good soil; well watered. About eight miles from Haingatiki Railway-station.											
Bay of Islands	Kerikeri ..	13	XII.	166	2 16	0 10 0	83 10 0	0 6	2 1 9	0 4-8	1 13 5
Volcanic, stony land, covered with fern. Fronts Kerikeri Inlet, Bay of Islands; about seven miles from Russell by water.											
Whakatane ..	Matata*	158A	..	1,000	0 0	0 7 6	375 0 0	0 4-5	9 7 6	0 3-6	7 10 0
Half heavy forest, half open land; soil of medium quality. About two miles from Matata.											
Rotorua ..	Rotoiti ..	5	I.	707	0 0	0 10 0	353 10 0	0 6	8 16 9	0 4-8	7 1 5
Light soil, covered with light forest; undulating land; will take grass well, having a warm north-east aspect. Distant about five miles from Hamurana on the north shore of Rotorua Lake. Hamurana is six miles from Rotorua Township by water.											

* Parish.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.		Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase; Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity Rent, 4 per Cent.	
				A.	R. P.	Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Hokianga	Whangape	12, 13	III.	402	3 20	0 7 6	151 2 6	0 4 5	3 15 7	0 3 6	3 0 6
"	"	14, 15	"	215	0 0	0 7 6	80 12 6	0 4 5	2 0 4	0 3 6	1 12 3
"	"	16	"	263	1 30	0 7 6	98 12 6	0 4 5	2 9 4	0 3 6	1 19 6
"	"	17, 18, 19, 20	"	315	1 34	0 7 6	118 2 6	0 4 5	2 19 1	0 3 6	2 7 3
"	"	21, 22	"	252	2 20	0 7 6	94 17 6	0 4 5	2 7 5	0 3 6	1 18 0
"	"	23	"	251	0 0	0 7 6	94 2 6	0 4 5	2 7 1	0 3 6	1 17 8
"	"	25, 26, 27	"	198	2 0	0 7 6	74 12 6	0 4 5	1 17 4	0 3 6	1 9 10
"	"	28, 29, 30, 31	"	237	0 0	0 7 6	88 17 6	0 4 5	2 4 5	0 3 6	1 15 7

Chiefly undulating forest land of good quality, and well watered; a few fern openings. Situated from fourteen to seventeen miles from Kohukohu, and four to eight miles from Broadwood.

Hokianga	Whangape	1, 2, 3	IV.	284	3 0	0 7 6	106 17 6	0 4 5	2 13 6	0 3 6	2 2 9
"	"	4, 5, 6, 7	"	400	2 10	0 8 0	160 8 0	0 4 8	4 0 3	0 3 8 4	3 4 2
"	"	8, 9, 10	"	306	1 0	0 8 0	122 8 0	0 4 8	3 1 2	0 3 8 4	2 9 0
"	"	11, 12	"	309	0 0	0 7 6	115 17 6	0 4 5	2 18 0	0 3 6	2 6 4
"	"	14, 15, 16, 17	"	436	2 10	0 8 0	174 16 0	0 4 8	4 7 5	0 3 8 4	3 10 0
"	"	18, 19, 20, 21	"	392	2 36	0 8 0	157 4 0	0 4 8	3 18 7	0 3 8 4	3 2 10
"	"	22, 23	"	236	0 20	0 7 6	88 10 0	0 4 5	2 4 3	0 3 6	1 15 5

Broken and undulating forest land of very fair quality, well watered, and accessible by formed dray and bridle road. Situated from ten to fourteen miles from Kohukohu, and from three to seven miles from Broadwood Post-office.

Mongonui	Takahue	13, 15, 16	VI.	233	0 14	0 7 6	87 7 6	0 4 5	2 3 8	0 3 6	1 15 0
"	"	17, 18, 19, 20	"	264	2 28	0 7 6	95 7 6	0 4 5	2 9 8	0 3 6	1 19 9

Sections 13 to 16, chiefly broken land; about 8 acres swamp, 60 acres open; balance forest, containing puriri, totara, &c., with a few kauri trees. Sections 17 to 20, about 28 acres swamp, balance broken; about 100 acres open, remainder forest, containing puriri, totara, and a few kauri trees. Situated three to four miles from Kaitaia.

Mongonui	Takahue	5, 5A, 6, 7	X.	269	3 38	0 8 0	108 0 0	0 4 8	2 14 0	0 3 8 4	2 3 3
"	"	8, 9, 19, 20, 21	"	294	1 26	0 8 0	117 12 0	0 4 8	2 18 10	0 3 8 4	2 7 1
"	"	10, 11, 12	"	460	0 4	0 7 6	172 10 0	0 4 5	4 6 3	0 3 6	3 9 0
"	"	13, 14	"	287	1 0	0 7 6	107 12 6	0 4 5	2 13 10	0 3 6	2 3 1
"	"	23	"	45	2 0	0 7 6	17 5 0	0 4 5	0 8 8	0 3 6	0 6 11

Sections 5 to 7, about 17 acres swamp, balance broken forest land, and some open; about 150 acres mixed forest, containing puriri, taraire, and a few kauri trees; clay soil; well watered. Sections 8, 9, 19 to 21, about 15 acres swamp, 100 acres forest, with rimu and kahikatea; some level land, but mostly broken; balance open. Sections 10 to 12, about 15 acres swamp, about 220 acres forest; a little level land, but mostly broken; the forest consists of puriri, totara, taraire, and matai; balance of land open. Sections 13 and 14, very broken land; about 200 acres mixed forest, consisting of puriri, totara, taraire, and matai; balance open land. Section 23, about 15 acres forest, 4 acres swamp; balance fern slopes. These are clay lands, well watered, and accessible by bridle-track, from four to seven miles from Kaitaia.

Mongonui	Takahue	15, 16, 21	XI.	277	3 0	0 10 0	139 0 0	0 6	3 9 6	0 4 8	2 15 8
"	"	13, 14	"	207	0 0	0 10 0	103 10 0	0 6	2 11 9	0 4 8	2 1 5

Sections 15, 16, 21, about 20 acres swamp, balance open land and broken. Sections 13, 14, about 15 acres mixed forest, remainder open land and broken. Access by main Mongonui-Hokianga Road, about eight miles from Kaitaia and three miles from Takahue Post-office.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Regulations for Examination of Inspectors under "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900."—Notice No. 748.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand doth hereby make the following regulations for the examination of persons (other than duly qualified veterinary surgeons) applying for appointments as Inspectors under the said Act.

REGULATIONS.

1. A CANDIDATE shall not be examined by the Government Veterinarian appointed for the purpose until he has been offered, subject to his passing such examination, an appointment as an Inspector under the Act.

2. Upon such offer being made, the Minister for Agriculture shall arrange the time and place for the examination, and notify the candidate thereof.

3. Every candidate shall be examined in the following subjects:—

- (1.) The provisions of "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900," and of such amendments thereof and regulations thereunder as are in force at the time of the examination.
- (2.) The provisions of "The Stock Act, 1893," and of such amendments thereof and regulations thereunder as are in force at the time of the examination, in so far as such provisions have any bearing upon the working or management of slaughter-houses.
- (3.) The standard market values (as ruling at the time of the examination) of cattle, sheep, and pigs.
- (4.) The general principles of hygiene and sanitation as applied to slaughtering-premises, including the proper methods and conditions under which stock intended for human consumption should be handled and treated before and after slaughter.
- (5.) The nomenclature and situation of the various organs in the animal body, and their appearance in health and disease.
- (6.) The diseases and conditions prevalent in the colony which would render the flesh of stock affected thereby unfit for human consumption.

4. The examiner shall as soon as possible notify the Minister for Agriculture whether the candidate has successfully passed such examination or not.

5. A certificate of competency granted by the examiner under these regulations shall be in the form or to the effect set forth in the Schedule hereto.

6. Any such certificate shall be surrendered to the Minister for Agriculture for cancellation when the holder thereof ceases to be an Inspector under the Act, and any holder refusing or neglecting to surrender his certificate within twenty-one days after being called upon to do so by the said Secretary shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £20.

7. These regulations shall take effect from the date of the gazetting thereof.

Schedule.

"The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900" (Section 28).
Inspector's Certificate of Competency.

This is to certify that _____, of _____, has passed an examination as prescribed by regulations, and has satisfied me that he is competent to perform the duties of an Inspector under "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900."
Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, 190____.
_____, Government Veterinarian.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Agriculture.

Warrant apportioning the Cost of constructing a Bridge over the Opuha River, on the Clayton Road, between the Geraldine and Mackenzie County Councils and Mount Peel Road Board.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and thirteen of "The Public Works Act, 1894" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, *inter alia*, enacted that in any case where the local authority of any district desires to construct a bridge in any position that will, in its opinion, be of advantage and benefit to the whole or any considerable portion of the inhabitants of an adjacent district or districts, as well as to the inhabitants of its own district, and where it is, in the opinion of such local

authority, reasonable that the local authority of such adjacent district or districts should contribute to the cost of constructing or establishing the said bridge, the provisions of the said section mentioned shall have effect:

And whereas the Geraldine County Council has made application to the Governor to apportion the cost of constructing the bridge over the Opuha River on the Clayton Road (hereinafter termed "the said bridge") between the said county and the Mackenzie County:

And whereas, with the view of determining what proportion of the cost of any such work should be borne by any local authority, it is provided by the said Act that the Governor may direct any person to be a Commissioner to inquire into and report to him on the matter:

And whereas a Commissioner was appointed and did report upon the proportion which it would be fair and reasonable to fix as the amount to be provided and paid by the several local authorities whose districts will benefit by the said bridge:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby authorise the Council of the County of Geraldine to construct the said bridge; and I do hereby declare that the cost of the said bridge, less the sum of two hundred pounds contributed by Government, and less the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds contributed by certain ratepayers in Mount Peel Road District, shall be borne by the Council of the County of Mackenzie, the Mount Peel Road Board, and the Council of the County of Geraldine in the following proportions, viz.: The Council of the County of Mackenzie to contribute $\frac{5}{15}$ of such cost, the Mount Peel Road Board to contribute $\frac{1}{15}$ of such cost, and the Council of the County of Geraldine to contribute $\frac{2}{15}$ of such cost; and such proportions shall be paid by the said local authorities accordingly.

SCHEDULE.

That bridge over the Opuha River on the Clayton Road known as the Opuha Bridge; as the site of the said bridge is delineated on the plan marked R. 1476, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—HOKIANGA COUNTY.
Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks I., II., III., IV., VII., VIII., XI., and XII., Tutamoe Survey District, containing by admeasurement 29,500 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by part of the northern boundary of Blocks I. and II., Tutamoe Survey District, by the Wai-o-Kumurau Stream, by a public road, by Section No. 1 of Block II., Tutamoe Survey District, again by a public road, by the Waiwakeke Stream, and by the Mangakahia River; towards the east generally by Section No. 1 of Block IV., Tutamoe Survey District, by unadjudicated Native land, by Section No. 2 of Block VIII., Tutamoe Survey District, by the Oputeke No. 2B Block, by Section No. 2 of Block XII. of the

same district, by the Opouteke Block, by Sections Nos. 1 and 3 of Block VIII., aforesaid, and by a public road; towards the south-east by a public road; towards the south by a State Forest reserve; towards the west by a State Forest reserve and by the eastern boundary of Block VI., Tutamoe Survey District; again towards the south by the northern boundary of the said Block VI.; again towards the west by section No. 9 of Block V., and Sections Nos. 3, 2, and 1 of Block I., Tutamoe Survey District; again towards the south by the section last mentioned; and towards the west by a line running due north to the point of commencement: save and except Ketetangariki B No. 2 Block, and Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 of Block III., Section No. 2 of Block IV., and Sections Nos. 1, 2, and 3 of Block VII., all of Tutamoe Survey District, from the area hereinbefore described.

Description of Land.—North portion of Blocks I. and II.: Mixed forest land of fair quality, containing rimu, rata, kahikatea, &c.; undulating and broken; fronts formed road. South portion of Block I. and south-west portion of Block II.: Mixed forest land of good quality; undulating, with some alluvial flats along the Wai-o-Kumura Stream; fronts formed road. Forest consists of taraira, rimu, rata, &c. Balance of Block II. and south-west portion of Block III.: Mostly mixed forest, undulating and broken, containing rimu, kahikatea, &c., with some scattered totara; soil fair. North portion of Blocks III. and IV.: Some very good flats along Mangakahia River, covered with fern and tall manuka, balance covered with mixed forest consisting of rimu, kahikatea, &c.; good soil. South-east portion of Block III., balance of Block IV., east portion of Block VII., and north portion of Block VIII.: Undulating to broken; mixed forest, containing rimu, kahikatea, taraira, kohekohe, &c., and scattered totara; soil of fair quality. South portion of Block VIII.: Undulating land of good quality, covered with mixed forest of same character as last-mentioned block. South portion Block III., west portion Block VII., Block XI., and Block XII.: Nearly all broken land, covered with mixed forest consisting of rimu, rata, kahikatea, taraira, kohekohe, &c., with some scattered kauri and totara; some flat and sloping country at southern end of block; soil of fair quality throughout. All the above lands are well watered. The access at present is by track from nearest formed road at Mangakahia Bridge, about twenty miles, to eastern end of block. At the western end about five or six miles of road have been formed east of Marlborough Special Settlement, giving access to the main Opanake-Hokianga Road. The Dargaville Road also runs close by the eastern side of block, through the Karaka Block.

Cash price, 12s. to 21s. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 7-2d. to 12-6d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 5-76d. per acre to 10-08d. per acre per annum.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—HOKIANGA COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks XI., XII., XIII., XIV., XV., and XVI., Punakitere Survey District, containing by admeasurement 16,970 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by the

Kohatutaka Block, by a State forest reserve, by Sections Nos. 11 and 12 of Block X., Punakitere Survey District, and by Otatau Road; towards the north-west generally by the eastern boundary of Block XIV., Punakitere Survey District, by Sections Nos. 13 and 10 of Block X. of the same district, and by unadjudicated Native land; towards the north-east generally by the Kawaenui Stream, by unadjudicated Native land, by the Paparoa Stream, by unadjudicated Native land, by the Horokokako Stream, and by the Mangakahia-Kaikohē Road; towards the south-east generally by the Paramurua River and the Te Kawa Stream, by unadjudicated Native Land, by the Pahara, Otaenga, and Whakairo Streams, by the Otaniwha Block, and by the Putaka and Mangaraupo Streams; towards the south generally by the Mangakahia River, by part of the western boundary of Block XIV., Punakitere Survey District, and by the southern boundary of Block XIII. of the same district; and towards the west by Sections Nos. 19, 31, 30, 29, 28, 27, 26, 25, and 24 of Block XVI., Waoku Survey District, to the point of commencement.

Description of Land.—Block XIII.: Undulating land of very fair quality, heavily timbered, covered chiefly with rimu, rata, taraira, &c., with a few scattered kauri and totara. There is a flat along the Mangakahia River, about 20 chains deep, of fairly rich soil. Some of the steep spurs are of rather poor quality, being covered with towai. Block XIV.: Land in the north-west portion of the block is of very fair quality, covered with taraira, rata, rimu, nikau, &c. The southern portion is very broken, covered with mixed forest; land of good quality, sandstone formation. There is scattered kauri throughout the block. Block XI. and northern portion of Block XV. consist mainly of open fern land, with forest in gullies, containing scattered kauri; soil of inferior quality. The southern portion of Block XV., lying between the Mangaraupo and Mangakahia Rivers, is very good land with a nice piece of flat along the Mangakahia River. The above lands are situated from twelve to twenty miles from Taheke. The western end of the block is within two miles of the Taheke-Opanake Main Road, and about fifteen miles from Taheke. Access to the central portion will be by the Otatau Road to be formed shortly, about twelve miles from Taheke; and to the eastern portion by bridle-track along the Mangakahia River, about twelve miles from Kaikohē, and the same distance from the Mangakahia Native Settlement.

Cash price, from 10s. to £1 per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 6d. to 1s. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 4-8d. to 9-6d. per acre per annum.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

KAWHIA COUNTY.

Unsurveyed First-class Land.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks V., VI., VII., VIII., IX., X., and XI., Whareorino Survey District, and Blocks V., IX., X., and XIII., Maungamangero Survey District, containing by admeasurement 29,583 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east generally by a State forest reserve, by Sections Nos. 10 and 11 of Block VI., Maungamangero Survey District, and by Sections Nos. 4 and 3 of Block X. of the same survey dis-

trict; towards the south-east generally by the Puketiti No. 1 Block, by the Awakino River, by the Kinohaku West B No. 2 Block, again by the Awakino River, by the Kinohaku West A No. 1 Block, and again by the Awakino River, and by Sections Nos. 3 and 4 of Block I., Awakino East Survey District; towards the south-west generally by Sections Nos. 5, 4, and 3 of Block II., Awakino North Survey District, and by the Kinohaku West E Section 1G No. 2, Section 1D No. 2, Section 1E, and Section 1F. No. 1 Blocks; and towards the north-west generally by the sea, by a right line running parallel to and at a distance of 60 chains in a northerly direction from the northern boundary-line of Blocks IX., X., and XI., Whareorino Survey District, by a right line being the production in a southerly direction of the eastern boundary of Crown land formerly known as the Kinohaku West G Section 1C No. 1 Block, by the south-western boundary of the said block, and by the Kinohaku West G Section 1C No. 2, G Section No. 1A No. 2, and H Section 2B No. 2 Blocks to the point of commencement.

Description of land: Altitude ranges from sea-level to 2,600 ft. above sea-level. Land mostly covered with heavy forest, consisting of tawa, rata, rimu, puriri, &c; some open land, mostly along sea-coast; soil of good quality, papa and marl formation, well watered.

Cash price, £1 to £1 5s. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 1s. to 1s. 3d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 9-6d. to 1s per acre per annum.

WEST TAUPO COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks VII., X., XI., XIII., XIV., and XV., Wharepapa Survey District, and Blocks I., II., and III., Ranginui Survey District, containing by admeasurement 24,800 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the east generally by the Wharepunga No. 16, No. 15, and No. 19 Blocks, and by Crown land formerly known as the Pouakani A No. 1A Block; towards the south by the Wharepunga No. 17 Block; towards the west by the Ranitoto Tuhua Block and the Mangatutu Stream; and towards the north-west generally by a Native reserve, by Sections Nos. 32 and 4 of Block X., Wharepapa Survey District, and by Section No. 1 of Block VII. of the same district to the point of commencement.

Description of land: About 4,000 acres open land, balance mixed forest; sandstones and Tertiary clay, in parts covered with consolidated tufa and blown pumice; situated from twenty to twenty-eight miles from Kihikihiki.

Cash price, 10s. 6d. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 6-3d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 5-04d. per acre per annum.

OPOTIKI COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks IV., VII., VIII., XI., XII., XV., and XVI., Waiouka Survey District; Blocks III., IV., VII., and VIII., Waiouka South Survey District; Blocks I., II., V., VI., VII., IX., X., XI., XIII., and XIV., Urutawa Survey District; and Blocks I., II., and V., Motu Survey District; containing by admeasurement 84,415 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by the Oamaru No. 2B, No. 3B, and No. 4B Blocks, by the confiscation boundary-line, by the Oamaru No. 5B Block, by the Pakihi Stream, by the Oamaru No. 7B Block, and by the Whitikau No. 3A Block; towards the south-east generally by the boundary of the Auckland Land District proclaimed in the *Gazette* of the 28th April, 1898, page 689; and towards the west generally by the Oamaru No. 1C Block, by the Kote Pato Stream, and by the Waiouka River to the point of commencement.

Description of land: This land is part of the Oamaru Block, lying to the southward of the Opotiki confiscation boundary-line, and situated from eleven to thirty miles from the sea-coast. The land is, generally speaking, very broken, the higher peaks and ridges ranging from 2,000 ft. to 3,000 ft. above sea-level. The soil is poor on the tops of these ridges and spurs, towai or black-birch being the prevailing timber. Along the valley of the Waiouka River, from the Opato Stream southwards, the slopes are easier, and the soil is of better quality, and, generally speaking, the country becomes less broken as the heads of the rivers are approached. With the exception of the ridges and spurs mentioned above, the block is fairly good pastoral country, the quality of the soil being good, though broken, and the block well watered throughout.

Cash price, 15s. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 9d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 7-2d. per acre per annum.

KAWHIA COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks II., VI., VII., X., and XI., Pirongia Survey District, containing by admeasurement 6,300 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north by unadjudicated Native land

known as the Matakowhai Block; towards the north-east generally by a State forest reserve, by the Mangauika No. 1B Block, by the boundary of a block of land opened for selection as unsurveyed land on the 3rd March, 1897, by a Native reserve, again by the aforesaid unsurveyed land, by Section No. 1 of Block VII., Pirongia Survey District, by Crown land formerly known as the Whakairoiro Block, by the Kopua No. 1B, Kopua No. 10, and Kopua No. 11 Blocks; towards the south generally by the Kawhia-Pirongia main road, and by part of Kopua No. 1B Section 2 Block; towards the south-west by the Waiwhakaata No. 3E No. 4 Block, by other part of the Kopua No. 1B Section 2 Block, by a public road, and by Section No. 2 of Block VI., Pirongia Survey District; and towards the west generally by a public road, by a metal reserve, again by a public road, and by Section No. 3 of Block I., Pirongia Survey District, to the point of commencement.

Description of land: About 1,400 acres at eastern end of block is open land, broken and undulating; balance mixed forest, mostly broken; soil at western end of block volcanic, of good quality. Land is well watered, and situated from six to sixteen miles from Pirongia.

Cash price, 16s. 6d. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 9-9d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 7-92d. per acre per annum.

WEST TAUPO COUNTY.

Unsurveyed Second-class Land.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks VII., VIII., and XI., Ranginui Survey District, containing by admeasurement 3,423 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by a line; towards the south-east and south-west by Pastoral Run No. 61; towards the north-west and again towards the south-west by the Pouakani A No. 3 Block; and again towards the north-west by the Wharepunga No. 13 and No. 20 Blocks to the point of commencement.

Description of land: Half forest, remainder open, country fairly good, but covered with pumice in places, flat, undulating, and broken; situated from thirty-four to thirty-eight miles from Kihikihiki.

Cash price, 10s. 6d. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 6-3d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 5-04d. per acre per annum.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks XII., XV., and XVI., Ranginui Survey District; Blocks IX. and XIII., Whakamaru Survey District; and Blocks III., IV., VII., and VIII., Hurakia Survey District; containing by admeasurement 14,386 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Pastoral Run No. 61; towards the south-east generally by the Pouakani C No. 1B and B No. 9B Blocks, by the Tihoi Block, by a line, and by the Ongarue River; and towards the west generally by a line, by the Maraeroa A Section 3 Block, and by Pastoral Run No. 61 aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Description of land: Mostly mixed forest; fair loamy soil, mixed with pumice; situated from forty to fifty miles from Kihikihiki.

Cash price, 14s. per acre; occupation with right of purchase, 8-4d. per acre per annum; lease in perpetuity, 6-72d. per acre per annum.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

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

Name.	District.
BARNARD BRUCE MACCUDRY	Helensville.
EVAN RACKLEY	Waipara.

J. G. WARD.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN PICKARD

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Colonial Secretary.

Registrar of Electors, Timaru Electoral District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER MONTGOMERY

to be Registrar of Electors, under "The Electoral Act, 1902," for the Electoral District of Timaru. *vice* T. Howley. Appointment to date from 1st January, 1903.

C. H. MILLS,
For Colonial Secretary.

Interpreter of the Cook and other Islands Land Titles Court appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 29th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN THOMAS LARGE, Esq., J.P.,

to be an Interpreter of the Cook and other Islands Land Titles Court.

J. CARROLL,
Native Minister.

Appointing Examiners of Candidates for Appointments as Inspectors under "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900."—Notice No. 749.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 6th January, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN ANDERSON GILRUTH, M.R.C.V.S., and
CHARLES JOHN REAKES, M.R.C.V.S.,

Government Veterinarians, to be Examiners of Candidates for Appointments as Inspectors under "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900."

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Member of the Board of Land Purchase Commissioners appointed.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in exercise of the power conferred in this behalf by section 4 of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," I have this day appointed

ROBERT HALL,

of Auckland, to be a member of the Board of Land Purchase Commissioners constituted under "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900."

Given under my hand, this nineteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and two.

R. J. SEDDON,
For Minister of Lands.

Appointment in the Department of Lands and Survey.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 27th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALFRED DODRIDGE FOLLEY

to be a cadet draughtsman in the Department of Lands and Survey, as from the 4th day of September, 1902.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Appointment in the Department of Lands and Survey.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 27th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM HENRY GLEDHILL

to be a clerical cadet in the Department of Lands and Survey, as from the 8th day of September, 1902.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Appointment in the Department of Lands and Survey.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 27th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WINNIFRED ELLA CLARE WHITE

to be a clerical cadette in the Department of Lands and Survey, as from the 11th day of September, 1902.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Crown Lands Ranger appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st January, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN CLARK

to be a Ranger of Crown Lands for the Land District of Canterbury.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Crown Lands Ranger appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st January, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

AYLMER BRYAN COURTENAY KENNY

to be a Ranger of Crown Lands for the Land District of Marlborough, to act within that portion of the district known as Sounds County.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Inspectors of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 29th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the undermentioned persons to be Inspectors under "The Factories Act, 1901," viz.:—

Constable THOMAS JAMES WILTON and
Constable WILLIAM JOHN QUINN.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Labour.

Inspector of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Mr. JAMES ISDELL, of Greymouth,

an Inspector under "The Factories Act, 1901."

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Labour.

Member of Otago Hospital Board and Otago United Charitable Aid Board appointed.

Charitable Department,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in terms of section 7 of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," been pleased to appoint

JAMES SMITH, Esq.,

to represent Bruce County Council and Milton and Kaitangata Borough Councils on the Otago Hospital Board, and the Central Otago, Tuapeka, and Otago United Charitable Aid Board.

W. C. WALKER.

Name of Deceased Volunteer Officer erased from the New Zealand Army List.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve that the name of the late

Honorary Lieutenant DAVID MILLER, Ponsonby Naval Artillery Volunteers,

be erased from the New Zealand Army List as from the 11th December, 1901.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Name of Deceased Volunteer Officer erased from the New Zealand Army List.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve that the name of the late
Right Reverend W. G. Cowie, Anglican Bishop of Auckland, Honorary Chaplain, A Battery, New Zealand Regiment of Field Artillery Volunteers,
be erased from the New Zealand Army List as from the 26th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Resignation of Volunteer Officer accepted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by the under-mentioned officer :—
No. 3 Company, Waikato Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
Lieutenant William Thomas Wallace. Date of resignation, 5th March, 1901.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Alexandra Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
William Morrison to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Wairoa Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
William James Davis to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Wairoa Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
Walter Francis Klingender to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Wairoa Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
Fred Samuel Parkes to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Feilding Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
Stephen Galt Trail to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by the under-mentioned officer :—
Clutha Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
Captain William Scott Pennycook. Date of resignation, 11th October, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer promoted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following promotion :—
2nd Battalion, Wellington (West Coast) Rifle Volunteers.
Captain Robert Hughes, V.D., Wanganui Rifle Volunteers, to be Major. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Royal Rifle Volunteers.
Robert Young to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer promoted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following promotion :—
Wanganui Rifle Volunteers.
Lieutenant John Redmond to be Captain. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Palmerston North Rifle Volunteers.
Charles Louisson to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Palmerston North Rifle Volunteers.
John Halford Perrin to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment :—
Palmerston Guards Rifle Volunteers.
Augustin Morgan to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.
R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment:—

Castlecliff Rifle Volunteers.

George Sinclair Robertson to be Captain. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment:—

Patea Rifle Volunteers.

Robert William Holden Hamerton to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th June, 1902.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appointment:—

Auckland College and Grammar School Rifle Cadet Volunteers.

Honorary Captain Robert Alexander McCullough to be Captain. Date of commission, 4th September, 1901.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Services of Defence Rifle Club accepted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept, under clause 15, "The Defence Act Amendment Act, 1900," the services of the

Colyton Defence Rifle Club,

with headquarters at Colyton. Acceptance to date from 27th November, 1902.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Services of Defence Rifle Club accepted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept, under clause 15, "The Defence Act Amendment Act, 1900," the services of the

Upper Clutha Defence Rifle Club,

with headquarters at Luggate. Acceptance to date from 27th November, 1902.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Services of Defence Rifle Club accepted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept, under clause 15, "The Defence Act Amendment Act, 1900," the services of the

Midland Railway Defence Rifle Club,

with headquarters at Springfield. Acceptance to date from 27th November, 1902.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Formation of New Zealand Garrison Artillery Volunteers into Divisions.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following companies of the regiment of New Zealand Garrison Artillery Volunteers at the under-mentioned stations being formed into divisions, with the divisional staff as under, as from the 19th December, 1902:—

Divisional Staff.

1 Lieutenant-Colonel (or Major, when the division consists of only two companies on lower establishment) in command.

1 Adjutant.

1 Pay- and Quarter-master.

1 Divisional Sergeant-major.

1 Divisional Quartermaster-Sergeant.

Auckland Division.

No. 1 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Auckland N.A.V.).

No. 8 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Ponsonby N.A.V.).

No. 9 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Devonport C.G.A.V.).

Wellington Division.

No. 4 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Wellington N.A.V.).

No. 6 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Petone N.A.V.).

Lyttelton Division.

No. 5 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Lyttelton N.A.V.).

No. 7 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (N Battery).

Dunedin Division.

No. 2 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Dunedin N.A.V.).

No. 3 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Port Chalmers N.A.V.).

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Abolition of Special Rank held by Officers of Naval Artillery Volunteers, and Substitution of Equivalent Military Rank.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 30th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the abolition of the special rank at present held by officers of Naval Artillery Volunteers, and to substitute the equivalent military rank. The following schedule shows the names of officers concerned, with the special rank at present held by them and the equivalent military rank to which they are now transferred; such transfer to take effect as from 18th December, 1902.

Naval Artillery Corps.	Present Rank.	New Rank.
Auckland N.A.V.—		
Clemens, C. H. ..	Lieut. Commanding	Captain.
Salmon, T. B. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Dunedin N.A.V.—		
Allen, J. ..	Lieut. Commanding	Captain.
Strong, W. J. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Frederic, J. A. P. ..	"	"
Port Chalmers N.A.V.—		
Dodds, N. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Bauchop, A. ..	"	"
Lyttelton N.A.V.—		
Curtis, G. C. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Ponsonby N.A.V.—		
Patterson, G. W. S.	Lieut. Commanding	Captain.
Spinley, J. C. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Spinley, G. E. ..	"	"
Ewan, J. ..	"	"
Wellington N.A.V. Brigade—		
Campbell, G. F. C.	Captain ..	Lieut.-Colonel.
Wellington N.A.V.—		
Cooper, C. J. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Biss, A. S. ..	"	"
Menzies, D. E. ..	"	"
Bevan, E. V. ..	"	"
Petone, N.A.V.—		
Kirk, C. R. ..	Lieut. Commanding	Captain.
Lilly, J. O. ..	Lieutenant	Lieutenant.
Wood, J. ..	"	"
Archibald, C. E. ..	"	"

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Formation of Regiment of Artillery Volunteers.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following companies of Naval and Garrison Artillery Volunteers being formed into a regiment to

be designated the New Zealand Garrison Artillery Volunteers, in the order of seniority and with the numbers as under, as from 19th December, 1902:—

- No. 1 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Auckland Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 2 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Dunedin Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 3 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Port Chalmers Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 4 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Wellington Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 5 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Lyttelton Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 6 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Petone Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 7 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (N Battery).
- No. 8 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Ponsonby Naval Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 9 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Devonport Coastguard Artillery Volunteers).
- No. 10 Company, N.Z.G.A.V. (Westport Position Artillery).

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Abolition of Volunteer Naval Brigade.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the abolition of the
Wellington Naval Artillery Volunteer Brigade.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Payment of Gratuity to Members, South African Constabulary.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 15th December, 1902.

THE following copy of a notice received from His Excellency the High Commissioner of South Africa is published for general information.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

SOUTH AFRICAN CONSTABULARY.
Special War Gratuity.

Forms of application for payment of the above gratuity may be obtained from the Chief Paymaster, South African Constabulary, Johannesburg, by men who served with the South African Constabulary on or before 31st May, 1902, and have taken their discharge. These forms, when completed, should be returned to the Chief Paymaster, South African Constabulary, accompanied by discharge certificates from all corps or regiments in which the applicant has served during the war.

No gratuity is payable to men who have been discharged for misconduct; neither is the gratuity paid by the South African Constabulary if applicant has served in any other corps or regiment since leaving the South African Constabulary. [D. 02/6245.

Special Order made by the Tomahawk Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following special order, received from the Tomahawk Road Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

TOMAHAWK ROAD BOARD.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a special meeting of the Tomahawk Road Board, held in the Board's office, Tomahawk, on Monday, the 24th day of November, 1902, the following resolution was passed, to take effect as a special order, viz.:—

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Road Boards Act, 1882," the Tomahawk Road Board hereby resolves as follows: "That for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on, and repaying of, a loan of £300 authorised to be raised by the Tomahawk Road Board under the provisions of 'The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901,' for the formation and metalling of a deviation of the main road from the Lagoon to the Tomahawk, and connected with the Centre Road, and the con-

tinuation of the Centre Road to meet such deviation, the said Tomahawk Road Board hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all rateable property of the Tomahawk Road District, comprising all that area in the Otago Peninsula situate in the Survey Districts of Tomahawk, Otago Peninsula, and Anderson's Bay, bounded towards the south generally by the ocean, towards the south-west by the Borough of Caversham, towards the north-west and south-west generally by the Borough of St. Kilda, and towards the north-east and north generally by the Peninsula Road District, as described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 55, 19th September, 1889; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable yearly on the 2nd day of January in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of six years, or until the loan is fully paid off."

I, John Bishop, Clerk to the Tomahawk Road Board, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a special order made by the Tomahawk Road Board on the 24th day of November, 1902, and that the same has been duly passed.

Dated at Tomahawk, this 15th day of December, 1902.
JOHN BISHOP,
Clerk, Tomahawk Road Board.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Lower Hutt, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF LOWER HUTT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the rate-payers of the Borough of Lower Hutt, including all persons entitled to vote on proposals to raise loans, was duly taken at the Borough Council Chambers, Lower Hutt, on Wednesday, the 17th day of December, 1902, upon the following proposal:—

A proposal to raise a loan of £2,500 for the purpose of establishing and laying down a system of drainage in the said borough, which sum it is proposed to raise on the security of a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound sterling on the rateable value of all rateable property within the said borough, the debentures issued in respect thereof to carry interest at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, and have a currency of forty-one years.

And on such poll the number of votes recorded was 238 votes for the said proposal, and 32 votes against the proposal informal votes, 8.

I do hereby declare the said proposal to be carried.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.
ORTON STEVENS,
Mayor.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Lower Hutt, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF LOWER HUTT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of the Lower Hutt, including all persons entitled to vote on proposals to raise loans, was duly taken at the Borough Council Chambers, Lower Hutt, on Wednesday, the 17th day of December, 1902, upon the following proposal:—

A proposal to raise a loan of £8,000 for the formation of roads, streets, and bridges within the borough, which sum it is proposed to raise on the security of a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound sterling on the rateable value of all rateable property within the said borough.

And on such poll the number of votes recorded was 248 votes for the said proposal, and 27 votes against the proposal; informal votes, 3.

I do hereby declare the said proposal to be carried.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.
ORTON STEVENS,
Mayor.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.
THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Lower Hutt, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF LOWER HUTT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Lower Hutt, including all persons entitled to vote on proposals to raise loans, was duly taken at the Borough Council Chambers, Lower Hutt, on Wednesday, the 17th day of December, 1902, upon the following proposal:—

A proposal to raise a loan of £2,500 for the purpose of purchasing water-rights in the Belmont Stream for a water supply for the inhabitants of the said borough, which sum it is proposed to raise on the security of a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound sterling on the rateable value of all rateable property within the said borough, the debentures issued in respect thereof to carry interest at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, and have a currency of forty-one years.

And on such poll the number of votes recorded was 230 votes for the said proposal, and 43 votes against the proposal; informal votes, 5.

I do hereby declare the said proposal to be carried.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.

ORTON STEVENS,
Mayor.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.
THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Lower Hutt, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF LOWER HUTT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Lower Hutt, including all persons entitled to vote on proposals to raise loans, was duly taken at the Borough Council Chambers, Lower Hutt, on Wednesday, the 17th day of December, 1902, upon the following proposal:—

A proposal to raise a loan of £1,000 for the purpose of providing and establishing a scheme of sanitation in the said borough, which sum it is proposed to raise on the security of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound sterling on the rateable value of all rateable property within the said borough, the debentures issued in respect thereof to carry interest at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, and to have a currency of forty-one years.

And on such poll the number of votes recorded was 236 votes for the said proposal, and 36 votes against the proposal; informal votes, 6.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.

ORTON STEVENS,
Mayor.

Special Order made by the Taruheru Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.
THE following special order, made by the Taruheru Road Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

TARUHERU ROAD BOARD.—TE HAPARA SPECIAL DISTRICT.

Special Order striking Special Rate.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in them in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," this Board will, at a meeting to be held on Friday, the 19th December, 1902, proceed by special order to confirm the following resolution, which was duly passed at a meeting held on Thursday, the 20th November, 1902:—

Resolved, That for the purpose of providing interest and other charges on a loan of £200, authorised to be raised by the Taruheru Road Board, under provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," for forming and metalling Childers Road from Lytton Road to Poverty Bay Park Company's grounds, the said Board do hereby make and levy a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound upon the rateable valuations of all rateable property of the said special district, comprising the lands scheduled hereunder and shown in plan, and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during

the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 1st day of January and the 1st day of July in each and every year during a period equal to the currency of such loan, being a period of twenty-six years, or until the loan is fully paid off.
HY. MCKAY,
Gisborne, 24th November, 1902. Clerk.

Schedule.

	A.	R.	P.
Matawhero No. 5, Subdivisions 1 and C (part) ..	95	1	32
Te Hapara (part)	26	0	0
Te Hapara No. 1, Section 4	10	2	24
Sections 14, 15, 16, of part allotment Matawhero No. 5	17	2	3
Te Hapara and Matawhero, part Sections 5, 9, and part 5	25	1	13
Te Hapara No. 1, Section 6 (part)	10	1	32
Te Hapara No. 1, Section 3	10	1	15

Special Order made by the Council of the Borough of Hokitika.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.
THE following special order, made by the Hokitika Borough Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

SPECIAL ORDER MAKING SPECIAL RATE.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," and "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Hokitika Borough Council hereby resolves as follows:—

That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £10,000, authorised to be raised by the Hokitika Borough Council, under the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," and "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," for improving the drainage system of the Borough of Hokitika, the said Hokitika Borough Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all rateable property in the Borough of Hokitika, and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable yearly on the 30th day of June in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, or until the loan is fully paid off.

The above resolution was duly passed at a special meeting of the Hokitika Borough Council held on the 14th day of November, 1902, and confirmed at a special meeting of the said Council held on the 19th day of December, 1902.

H. L. MICHEL,
Mayor.

J. H. CAMPBELL,
Town Clerk.

Special Order made by the Oxford Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.
THE following special order, made by the Oxford Road Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

OXFORD ROAD BOARD.

Special Order making a Special Rate.

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," that the Oxford Road Board resolves as follows:—

That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £2,000, authorised to be raised by the Oxford Road Board, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," for the carrying-out of the under-mentioned works at the approximate cost set opposite such works respectively—erection of bridge over the Ashley River at the Gorge, £425; extension of traffic-bridge over the Eyre River, £600; Oxford and Cust Main Drain embankment and falls, £500; contingencies, £475—£2,000—the said Oxford Road Board hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound sterling on the rateable value of all the rateable property in the Oxford Road District; and that such special rate shall be an annually recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 1st day of February and the 1st day of August in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of twenty-six years, or until the loan is fully paid off. The interest and sinking fund on such loan is $\frac{1}{4}$ per centum per annum.

Also, that a special meeting of the said Oxford Road Board will be held in the Road Board Office, Oxford, on Tuesday, 23rd December, 1902, at 7.30 p.m., for the purpose of confirming the above resolution.

ARTHUR WRIGHT,
Chairman.
R. H. GAINSFORD,
Clerk.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Lower Hutt, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF LOWER HUTT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of the Lower Hutt, including all persons entitled to vote on proposals to raise loans was duly taken at the Borough Council Chambers, Lower Hutt, on Wednesday, the 17th day of December, 1902, upon the following proposal:—

A proposal to raise a loan of £1,000 for the erection of Council Chambers in the said borough, which sum it is proposed to raise on the security of a special rate of 1½d. in the pound sterling on the rateable value of all rateable property in the said borough.

And on such poll the number of votes recorded was 241 votes for the said proposal, and 30 votes against the proposal; informal votes, 7.

I do hereby declare the said proposal to be carried.
Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.

ORTON STEVENS,
Mayor.

Special Order made by the Council of the Borough of New Plymouth.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following special order, made by the New Plymouth Borough Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF NEW PLYMOUTH.

SPECIAL orders of the New Plymouth Borough Council passed at a special meeting of the Council held at New Plymouth on the 5th November, 1902, and confirmed at a meeting of the Council held at New Plymouth on the 8th December, 1902:—

That for the purpose of establishing an abattoir under section 5 of "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900," the Borough Council of New Plymouth does by special order authorise the raising of a special loan of £7,000 under the said Act and under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," at the yearly rate of interest of 3½ per centum per annum for a period of forty-one years. That for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £7,000 authorised to be raised by the Council of the Borough of New Plymouth under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900," for the purpose of establishing an abattoir for the said borough, the said Council of the Borough of New Plymouth hereby makes and levies a special rate of 1½d. in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all rateable property of the Borough of New Plymouth (on the basis of the annual value); and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 1st day of October and the 1st day of April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, or until the loan is fully paid off. And that the said Council, for the purpose aforesaid, also pledges, as security for the said loan and the interest and other charges thereon, the whole of the land acquired by the said Council for the said abattoir, and all the erections, works, and buildings to be erected or constructed thereon, and all the income and revenue of every description to be derived therefrom.

Passed at a special meeting of the said Borough Council of New Plymouth, this 5th day of November, 1902.

E. DOCKRILL,
Chairman (Mayor).

Confirmed this 8th day of December, 1902.

E. DOCKRILL,
Chairman (Mayor).

I certify that the above special order has been duly made.
F. T. BELLINGER,
Town Clerk.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Sumner, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF SUMNER.

In the matter of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and its amendments; and in the matter of a proposal to raise by way of special loan the sum of £3,500 for the purpose of the construction of septic tanks, and the purchase of all pipes, ventilating-covers, and all other material, and the construction of all necessary works for the drainage of the drainage-area of the Township of Sumner.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the drainage-area of the Borough of Sumner was taken on the 18th day of December, 1902, in the matter of the above proposal, and resulted as follows: Number of ratepayers who voted for proposal, 47; number of ratepayers who voted against proposal, 18; number of informal votes, 3.

As the total number of valid votes recorded at the poll is in favour of the proposal, I therefore declare the proposal carried.

WILLIAM ROLLITT,
Mayor of the Borough of Sumner.

Sumner, 19th day of December, 1902.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Sumner, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."
W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF SUMNER.

In the matter of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and its amendments; and in the matter of a proposal to raise by way of special loan the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of the construction of reservoir-extension and purchase of water-mains, the purchase of all necessary hydrants, sluice-valves, fittings, and a supply of water-meters, and generally for the purpose of extending and improving the water-supply system of the borough.

NOTICE is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Sumner, taken on the 18th day of December, 1902, on the above proposal resulted as follows: Number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal, 31; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 64; number of informal votes, 3.

As the number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal does not amount to a majority of the total votes recorded, I therefore declare the proposal to be rejected.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1902.

WILLIAM ROLLITT,
Mayor of the Borough of Sumner.

Sumner, 19th day of December, 1902.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Andreas Emanuel	Farmer	Tauranga.
Anderson	..	..
Paul Cebalo	.. Gun-digger	.. Te Kopuru.
Carl Johan Carlsson	.. Labourer	.. Gisborne.
Mariano Kumrich	.. Farmer	.. Hukatere, Wha-kapirau.
Carl Kuhmstedt	.. Forester	.. Rotorua.
Lars Larsen	.. Master mariner	.. Christchurch.
Peter Nelson	.. Farmer	.. Albany, Auckland.
Per Edward Osbourne	.. Labourer	.. Weber.
Paul Faris Raad	.. Carpenter	.. Dunedin.
Alexander Marinus	.. Settler	.. Reefton.
Christinus Tuk	..	..
John Urlich	.. Settler	.. Herekino.
Stipe Urlich	.. Settler	.. Herekino.
Jose Veza	.. Settler	.. Herekino.

J. G. WARD.

Notice to Mariners No. 89 of 1902.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 18th December, 1902.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND.—TIME SIG.—A black ball is dropped automatically from the yardarm of the Port Office flagstaff (approx. 36° 50' 44" S., 174° 45' 52" E.) at Auckland, at noon, New Zealand standard M.T., corresponding to 0h. 9m. 3.5s. p.m. local M.T., or 0h. 30m. 0s. a.m. Gr. M.T. The ball is hoisted close up as a preparatory sig. at 11h. 55m. a.m., and any error that may occur in the time of dropping is published in the local newspapers the following day. The sig. is made daily, Sundays and public holidays excepted. Nov.

NORTH AMERICA.—WEST COAST.

British Columbia.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE SOUND.—The following rks. lie in the Sound: 1. A rk., carrying less than 6 ft., and marked by kelp, in approx. 51° 03' N., 127° 41½' W., in Sealed Passage, with the ern. extr. of Reid Isl. S. 81° E., 6 cables, and Middle Rk. N. 38° E. 2. A rk., which occasionally breaks, but over which the depth has not yet been determined, in approx. 50° 58½' N., 127° 33' W., in N. Chan., with the S.-ern. islet of the Southgate group N. 15° W., 3½ cables, and the summit of Annie Rk. N. 75° E. 3. A rk., carrying 2½ fms., in approx. 50° 59' N., 127° 32½' W., in N. Chan., with the S.-ern. islet of the Southgate group N. 31° W., 2½ cables, and the summit of Annie Rk. N. 85° E. Nov.

Vancouver Island.

CLAYOQUOT SOUND.—The following rks. lie in Browning Passage: 1. A rocky bank, carrying 2½ fms., in approx. 49° 9½' N., 125° 53½' W., extends about 70 yds. off the N.-ern. coast of the Middle Isl. in the narrows at the wrn. entr. to the passage. Immediately outside of it the depth is 6 fms. 2. A shoal, usually marked by kelp, carrying 3 ft., in approx. 49° 8½' N., 125° 52½' W., extends off the S. shore of the passage. Its outer end lies with the house on Guinard Pt. N. 73° E., 6 cables, and the W. extr. of the isl. N.W. of that pt. N. 4° W. Outside the water deepens quickly to 5 fms. 3. A rk., carrying less than 6 ft., lies in approx. 49° 9½' N., 125° 53½' W., with the E. extr. of the srn. of the 3 isls. in the narrows of the passage N. 87° W., 1½ cables, and the E. extr. of the ern. isl. N. 14° E. A spar buoy, black and red hor., is moored close to the rk. Nov.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO HARB.—Alcatraz Isl. lt. (37° 49' N., 122° 25' W.) has been altered from F. white to a fl. white lt., every 15 secs. Nov.

The fog-bell on the S.E. extr. of Alcatraz Isl. is again in operation. Oct.

ARGUELLO PT. LT.-H.—On 17th November, 1902, the fog-siren at this lt.-h. (34° 34' N., 120° 39' W.) is to be replaced by a fog-whistle sounding blasts of 2 secs. dura. separated by intervals of 28 secs. Nov.

Notice to Mariners No. 90 of 1902.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Chief Harbourmaster, Fremantle, Western Australia, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—WEST COAST.

It is hereby notified that an uncharted shoal, on which the sea breaks heavily, has been found to exist in lat. 28° 6' south, long. 113° 30' east, about 13 miles north 22° west of North Island.

Chart affected: No. 1056, Cape Cuvier to Champion Bay.

Also an uncharted shoal has been reported, on which the sea breaks, in lat. 28° 48' south, long. 114° 10' east (pos. approx.).

Chart affected: No. 1723, Houtman Rocks.

C. J. IRVINE,
Chief Harbourmaster.

Harbourmaster's Office,
Fremantle, 25th November, 1902.

Notice to Mariners No. 91 of 1902.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 22nd December, 1902.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Hydrographic Office, Washington, D.C., United States of America, are published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

CALIFORNIA.

(1774.) FORT ROSS COVE APPROACH.—SUNKEN ROCK REPORTED.—Information has been received of the existence of a sunken rock, which breaks only during heavy weather, and which lies in the approach to Fort Ross Cove about 1½ miles S. 27° E. true (S.E. ½ S. mag.) from the southern extremity of the point on the north-west side of the entrance to that cove, and about 1 mile off shore.

Approximate geographical position: Latitude, 38° 28' 55" N.; longitude, 123° 14' W.

As little as 13 ft. at about half tide has been reported over the rock, and, as it only breaks in heavy weather, it is thought to be of very small extent—probably a pinnacle or bayonet rock.

The locality will be carefully examined when opportunity offers.

(1837.) SAN FRANCISCO BAY.—BUOYS ESTABLISHED.—November 10, 1902, a first-class nun buoy, painted red and black in horizontal stripes, was established in 11 fathoms of water to mark the 4½-fathom spot 1,520 ft. eastward of the Pacific Mail Steamship Wharf, San Francisco, California. The buoy is located on the following bearings:—

Yerba Buena Lighthouse, N. 34° E. true (N. by E. ½ E. mag.).

Oakland Harbour Lighthouse, N. 72° E. true (N.E. ½ E. mag.).

Alcatraz Lighthouse, N. 41° W. true (N.W. by W. ½ W. mag.).

Also, on the same date, a first-class nun buoy, painted red and black in horizontal stripes, was established in 10½ fathoms of water to mark the 4½-fathom spot 2,700 yards eastward of the Pacific Mail Steamship Wharf, San Francisco Bay, California. The buoy is located on the following bearings:—

Yerba Buena Lighthouse, N. 27° E. true (N. ½ E. mag.).

Oakland Harbour Lighthouse, N. 69° E. true (N.E. ½ E. mag.).

Alcatraz Lighthouse, N. 42° W. true (N.W. by W. ½ W. mag.).

(See Notice to Mariners No. 43 (1611) of 1902.)

Notice to Mariners No. 92 of 1902.

BUOY SHIFTED—WELLINGTON HARBOUR.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 22nd December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the red buoy which was mentioned in Notice to Mariners No. 86 of 1902, issued by this Department on the 9th December, as having been placed 6½ cables S.S.E. of Hope Shoal buoy has been shifted to a position 9 cables south (magnetic) of the Hope Shoal buoy. The buoy is in 33½ ft. of water at L.W.O.S.

The following angles were observed from the buoy by sextant:—

Between Somes Island Lighthouse and Kau Point Rock, 43° 3'.

Between Kau Point Rock and Steeple Rock, 99° 18'.

Between Steeple Rock and Pencarrow, 37° 20'.

The position of the buoy is also determined by the following bearings:—

Somes Island Lighthouse, N. 10° W.

Kau Point Rock, N. 53° W.

Steeple Rock, S. 28° W.

The water deepens very rapidly on the western side of the buoy, and it will be quite safe for deep-draught vessels to pass to the westward of this buoy, and of the Hope Shoal buoy about half a cable distant, until well north of the Falcon Shoal extension, when all danger of touching will have passed.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty chart No. 1423; "New Zealand Pilot," 7th edition, Chap. v., pages 167 to 176.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Notice respecting Proposed Alteration of Boundaries of Borough of St. Albans, County of Selwyn.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th December, 1902.

PURSUANT to section 176 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," His Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that a petition has been presented to him praying that the area described in the Schedule hereto may

be excluded from the Borough of St. Albans and included in the Avon Road District, County of Selwyn. All persons affected are hereby called upon to lodge any written objections to or petitions against the proposed exclusion from the said borough of the area described in the said Schedule, and the proposed inclusion of the whole of that area in the Avon Road District, which they may desire to lodge, within one month from the first publication of this notice.

Such objections or petitions to be addressed to the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

AREA TO BE SEVERED FROM THE BOROUGH OF ST. ALBANS.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, situated in Block XI., Christchurch Survey District, bounded towards the north-west by May's Road from Brett's Road to the road forming the north-eastern boundary of original Rural Section No. 343F; thence towards the north-east by the last-mentioned road to McFadden's Road; thence again towards the north-west by McFadden's Road to Phillipott's Road; thence again towards the north-east by Phillipott's Road to Innes Road; thence again towards the north-west by Innes Road to Shirley's Road; thence again towards the north-east by Shirley's Road to Hill's Road; thence towards the east by Hill's Road to the southern boundary-line of original Rural Section No. 367c; thence towards the south by the southern boundary-line of the said Section No. 367c to original Rural Section No. 218; thence towards the south-west by original Rural Sections Nos. 218 and 217 to the road forming the south-eastern boundary of original Rural Section No. 345; thence towards the south east by that road and the road forming the south-eastern boundary of original Rural Section No. 324 to the southernmost corner of that section; thence again towards the south-west by the road forming the south-western boundary of the said Section No. 324 to Innes Road; thence again towards the south-east by Innes Road to Brett's Road; and thence again towards the south-west by Brett's Road to the place of commencement.

J. G. WARD.

Requisition as to taking Land compulsorily under "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900."

NOTICE is hereby given that it is intended, on behalf of His Majesty, to take compulsorily, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and its amendment, the land the acreage, description, and classification of which, as also the names and addresses of the owners of such land, are specified in the Schedule hereto; and every owner of the land, and also every other person having any estate or interest therein, is hereby required to serve their respective claims for compensation on the Minister of Lands, in the form and manner and within the period provided by the said Acts.

SCHEDULE.

LEVELS ESTATE.

1. ACREAGE and Description.—All that parcel of land, situate in the Land District of Canterbury, containing 43,309 acres, more or less, being part of the Levels Estate, in the County of Levels, and comprising blocks and parts of blocks 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 16A, 16B, 17, 18, 19, 20, Levels Division; 1, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 1A, 1B, Island Division; 1, 2, 3, 4, Opawa Division; and 154 acres in an isolated division: excepting the Levels Homestead and 1,000 acres adjacent thereto within Block I., Levels Division aforesaid: all situated in the Survey Districts of Arowhenua, Opawa, Pareora, and Tengawai: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 19027, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged with red.

2. The Minister's Classification of the Land.—First-class, 17,642 acres; second-class, 18,846 acres; third-class, 6,821 acres.

3. The land intended to be taken is less than the whole of the owners' estate.

4. The acreage and the Minister's classification of the whole estate is:—Acreage, 44,309 acres, more or less; Minister's classification—First-class, 18,642 acres; second-class, 18,846 acres; third-class, 6,821 acres.

5. The owners in fee-simple are the New Zealand and Australian Land Company (Limited); Thomas Brydmore, superintendent of the said company; and John Macfarlane Ritchie, an attorney for the said company: all of Dunedin.

Dated at Wellington, this 7th day of January, 1903.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Intention to take Land in Block II., Longwood Survey District, for Road Purposes.

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

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 0 2 25.5	Railway land ..	II.	Longwood.
0 0 23.4	Crown land ..	II.	Longwood.

All in the Land District of Southland; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 19254, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured sepia and purple.

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this twentieth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and two.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

Notifying Reserves in the Township of Te Araroa.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the mentioned lands, having been shown upon the deposited plan of the Native Township of Te Araroa as reserves for the purposes specified at the end of each of the descriptions in the Schedule hereto, are vested in His Majesty in pursuance of subsection (2) of section 12 of "The Native Townships Act, 1895," and will be dealt with as reserves under "The Public Reserves Act, 1881."

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 15 acres 2 roods 24 perches, more or less, being Section No. 33 in Te Araroa Native Township, East Cape Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Maui Street, towards the north by Pohutu Road, towards the east by Section No. 80 of the said Te Araroa Native Township, towards the south-east and south by the Whetumatarau Block, and towards the west by Section No. 32A (N.R.); as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48996, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a public recreation reserve.

All that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 39 perches, more or less, being Section No. 54, Te Araroa Native Township, East Cape Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Moana Parade, towards the east by Totara Street, towards the south by Section No. 55 of the said Te Araroa Native Township, and towards the west by Rimu Street; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48996, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a reserve for a public library.

All that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 1 perch, more or less, being Section No. 61, Te Araroa Native Township, East Cape Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 60 (N.R.) of the said Te Araroa Native Township, towards the east by Section No. 63 (N.R.), towards the south by Paikea Street, and towards the west by Totara Street; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48996, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands

and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a site for a post and telegraph office.

All that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 6 perches, more or less, being Section No. 76, Te Araroa Native Township, East Cape Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Paikea Street, towards the east by Section No. 77 of the said Te Araroa Native Township, towards the south by Tapuae-o-te-ao Block B (N.R.), and towards the west by Section No. 75 of Te Araroa Native Township aforesaid; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48996, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a site for a police-station.

All that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 14 perches, more or less, being Section No. 77, Te Araroa Native Township, East Cape Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Paikea Street, towards the north-east by Moana Parade, towards the south-east by the Tapuae-o-te-ao Block A (N.R.), towards the south by Tapuae-o-te-ao Block B (N.R.), and towards the west by Section No. 76 of the Township of Te Araroa aforesaid; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48996, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a Courthouse reserve.

All that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 3 roods 30 perches, being Sections Nos. 94, 95, 96, and 97, Te Araroa Native Township, East Cape Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Pohutu Road, towards the east by Moana Parade, towards the south by Whetumatarau Block, and towards the west by Section No. 93 (N.R.) of Te Araroa Native Township aforesaid; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 48996, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a reserve for a police pad dock.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Imperial Service Order instituted.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th January, 1903.

THE following *London Gazette* Extraordinary containing the Statutes of the Imperial Service Order is published for general information.

W. C. WALKER,
For Colonial Secretary.

STATUTES OF THE IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER.

EDWARD, R. and I.

EDWARD THE SEVENTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India. To all to whom these presents shall come: Greeting.

Whereas We are desirous of recognising more fully than has hitherto been possible the faithful and meritorious services rendered to Us by members of the Civil Services of the various parts of our Empire, We do by these presents, for Us, our heirs and successors, institute and create a new Civil Order of Distinction—to be designated as hereinafter described—and We are graciously pleased to make, ordain, and establish the following rules and ordinances for the government of the same:—

Firstly, it is ordained that this Order shall henceforth be styled and designated "The Imperial Service Order."

Secondly, it is ordained that the Order shall consist of the Sovereign, the Prince of Wales, and such Companions as We, our heirs or successors, shall appoint.

Thirdly, it is ordained that We, our heirs and successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperors and Empresses of India, are and for ever shall be Sovereigns of this Order.

Fourthly, it is ordained that only the members of the administrative or clerical branches of our Civil Services shall be eligible for the distinction of Companions of this Order.

Fifthly, it is ordained that the number of Companions of the Order shall not exceed 425, of whom 250 shall belong to our Home Civil Service, and 175 to the Civil Services of our colonies and protectorates.

Sixthly, it is ordained that no person shall be eligible to be a Companion of the Order whose name has not been laid before Us, our heirs and successors, by one of our or their Principal Secretaries of State, and who has not at the time of his nomination rendered at least twenty-five years' meritorious service in the United Kingdom: Provided that in a colony or protectorate which, under the Pension Acts or Regulations applying to that colony or protectorate, is recognised as unhealthy the minimum period of service

shall be sixteen years: Provided also that it shall at any time be competent to Us, our heirs and successors, to appoint specially to the Order persons who, not having completed the aforesaid periods of service, have rendered such eminently meritorious service as to qualify them in our opinion to become recipients of this distinction.

Seventhly, it is ordained that when We, our heirs and successors, shall be pleased to appoint any person to be a Companion of the Order, such appointment shall be made by warrant under our sign-manual and countersigned by one of our Principal Secretaries of State.

Eighthly, it is ordained that the decoration to be worn by Companions of the Order shall be a badge or medallion of gold and enamel, bearing on one side our Imperial and Royal Cypher, and on the reverse "For Faithful Service," both to be executed in dark-blue enamel on a plaque or shield of gold, surrounded by a wreath of laurel, surmounted by the Imperial Crown.

Ninthly, it is ordained that the decoration shall be worn on the left breast suspended by a ribbon of 1 in. in width.

Tenthly, it is ordained that the names of those upon whom we are pleased to confer the decoration shall be published in the *London Gazette*.

Eleventhly, it is ordained that Companions of the Order shall have the privilege of adding the letters "I.S.O." after their names.

Twelfthly, it is ordained that members of any Order of Knighthood shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible to become Companions of this Order, and that Companions of this Order shall in no way be debarred from becoming thereafter members of any Order of Knighthood for which their services may qualify them.

Thirteenthly, it is ordained that an officer shall be appointed to the Order who shall be styled "Secretary and Registrar," and who shall be *ex officio* a Companion of the Order.

Fourteenthly, it is ordained that the Secretary and Registrar of this Order shall be appointed by Us, our heirs and successors, and shall have the custody of the archives of the Order, which shall be kept in the office of our Secretary of State for the Home Department. He shall attend to the service of the Order, and shall execute such directions as he may receive from our Principal Secretaries of State.

Fifteenthly, it is ordained that those members of our Civil Services who are not eligible for appointment as Companions of this Order may, on retirement from our said services after not less than twenty-five years of meritorious service in the United Kingdom, or not less than sixteen years of such service in a colony or protectorate which, under the Pension Acts or Regulations applying to that colony or protectorate, is recognised as unhealthy, be awarded a medal to be designated "The Imperial Service Medal," provided that no such medal shall be granted except on the recommendation of one of our Principal Secretaries of State: Provided also that it shall be competent to Us, our heirs and successors, to confer the medal upon not more than five Civil servants in each year who have retired after less than twenty-five years' services should special circumstances in our or their opinion justify the grant.

Sixteenthly, it is ordained that the Imperial Service Medal shall be of silver, and of a design similar to that of the badge of the Companions of the aforesaid Imperial Service Order, and shall be similarly worn.

Seventeenthly, it is ordained that the names of those persons to whom the Imperial Service Medal shall be granted shall be duly published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly, We reserve to ourselves, our heirs and successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these Regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under the sign-manual of the Sovereign of the Order.

Given at our Court at Buckingham Palace, this eighth day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and two, and the second year of our Reign.

By His Majesty's command.

CHARLES T. RITCHIE.

The Permanent Secretary of the Treasury and the Permanent Under-Secretaries of State for the Home Department and for Foreign Affairs have been appointed a committee to communicate with Heads of Departments and to select from lists recommended by them the names of persons to be submitted to His Majesty for appointment to the Order.

Authorising the Laying-off of the Main Street in Waipara Township Extension of a Width of 66 ft.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 22nd December, 1902.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 2 of "The Towns Main Streets Act, 1902," I do hereby authorise the laying-off of the main street in Waipara Township Extension, Canterbury Land District, of a width of 66 ft. instead of 99 ft., as prescribed by section 17 of "The Land Act, 1892."

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Date of Meeting of Hawke's Bay Land Board altered.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 30th December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance of section 48 of "The Land Act, 1892," approved of the meetings of the Hawke's Bay Land Board being held on the first Wednesday in each month, at 10 o'clock a.m., instead of on the third Wednesday in each month, as at present.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Canterbury Runs classified.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Class I.—Pastoral Lands, being Lands suitable exclusively for Pasturage, and not capable of being used with Profit in Areas of a Carrying-capacity of less than 5,000 Sheep.

Run 141, Esk Head Station.—35,900 acres, situated in the Ashley County. Bounded on the north by the south branch of the Hurunui River and freehold lands; on the south-east by the Seaward River, Forest Reserve 3266, and Section 37089; on the south-west by the Puketeraki Range past Trigs. V, W, M, and T to the edge of the bush, thence by the bush and a fence to the north of Trig. C; on the west by the edge of the bush to the North Esk River, following up the said river about a mile and a half to the edge of the bush, and again following the edge of the bush to a point about one mile north-westerly from Trig. D, thence by right lines to the southern points of clumps of bush, thence by the bush to the south branch of the Hurunui River.

Run 142, The Lakes Station.—30,000 acres, situated in the Ashley County. Bounded on the north and east by the north branch of the Hurunui River, Lake Sumner, the edge of the bush to the south of Lake Sumner, again by Lake Sumner and the north branch of the Hurunui River; on the south by the south branch of the Hurunui River to a point about two miles west of the Mason River; on the west by the edge of the bush, the south, east, and north shores of Lake Mason, and again by the edge of the bush to the north branch of the Hurunui River: save and except part of Forest Reserve 3263 included within the above-described boundaries.

Run 144, Snowdale Station.—42,900 acres, situated in the Ashley County. Bounded on the north by a straight line running east from near the Puketeraki Geodesical Station to the edge of the bush, thence following the edge of the bush past Trigs. E and U to the Ashley River; on the east by the Ashley River, the boundary fence between Runs 144 and 145A to the Whistler River, thence by the Whistler River to its junction with the Ashley River, and again by the Ashley River to the foot of a spur about a mile and a half from the junction of the Townshend River; on the south by the said spur to the top of the main ridge near Trig. N (Oxford Hill), thence following the top of the ridge to the edge of the bush about 10 chains north-west of Trig. C; on the west by the edge of the bush to the Townshend River, thence by the Townshend River to the edge of the bush near Scabby Stream, thence by the edge of the bush and a straight line in a north-westerly direction past Trig. O to the edge of the bush, thence following the edge of the bush to the spur westward of Red Saddle, thence by a straight line in a north-easterly direction to Trig. R, thence by the Puketeraki Range to the starting-point: save and except part of Forest Reserve 3273 included in the above-described boundaries.

Run 171, Brookdale Station.—20,300 acres, situated in the Selwyn County. Bounded on the north by the summit of the Mount Torlesse Range from a point marked 6,495 ft. high to Trig. T, thence down the ridge to a telegraph-post opposite the coach-stables at Springs, thence in a southerly direction to a point on the road 5 chains south of the stable-paddock fence, thence westward at right angles 6 chains, thence to the south-west corner of the said paddock, thence by the fence to the north-west corner of the said paddock, thence in a north-westerly direction to the angle of the fence across the two creeks, and thence along the fence to the present western boundary; on the north-west by Run 172;

on the south-west by Educational Reserve 1578 and Run 120; on the south by Run 168, Lake Lyndon, and Run 167; and on the east by Run 170 to the starting-point: save and except Reserve No. 3116, which lies within the above-described boundaries.

Run 174, Cora Lynn Station.—21,200 acres, situated in the Selwyn County. Bounded on the north from White River to Cass River by the south bank of the Waimakariri River, freehold lands, and public reserves; on the east by the Cass River, Forest Reserve 3287, and again by the Cass River to its source, and the spur leading to the top of Hamilton Peak; on the south by the spur leading from Hamilton Peak to the source of the Harper River, thence by the Harper River, Forest Reserve 3298, and a straight line to the summit of Black Range, thence following the summit of Black Range past Mount Greenlaw to White River; and on the west by White River to the Waimakariri River: save and except Forest Reserve 3286 included within the above-described boundaries.

Run 175, Riversdale Station.—10,500 acres, situated in the Selwyn County. Bounded on the east by Forest Reserve 3282 and the Poulter River; on the south by the north bank of the Waimakariri River and freehold lands to the eastern boundary of National Park Reserve 3535; on the east by the said reserve; again on the south and north-west by Forest Reserve 3283 to a point near the top of the range between Trig. C and Brown Hill; on the west following the top of the range past Brown Hill to a point just south of Castle Hill; and on the north by a straight line to Forest Reserve 3282.

Run 100, Mount Hutt Station.—30,970 acres, situated in the Ashburton County. Bounded on the north-east by the Rakaia River and freehold land; on the south-east by freehold land; on the south-west by Forest Reserves 3315, 3118, 3314, 3118, and 3117, and the north branch of the Ashburton River to its junction with the Swift River; on the north-west by the Swift River, the fence on the west side of the Swift River and Steep-face Hill extending down Terrible Gully to the Rakaia River: save and except Forest Reserve 3316 included within the above described boundaries.

Run 102, Winterslow Station.—27,600 acres, situated in the Ashburton County. Bounded on the north-east by the north branch of the Ashburton River from Boundary Creek to the north-east corner of Section 36413; on the south-east by Sections 36413, 36414, and 22039 to the edge of the bush, thence following the edge of the bush through Reserve 3119 to Bowyer's Stream; on the south-west by the south branch of Bowyer's Stream, the fence leading to the top of the Mount Somers Range near Trig. TT, and along the top of the range to Mount Taylor; on the north by a straight line from Mount Taylor to the source of Boundary Creek, and thence following Boundary Creek to its junction with the north branch of the Ashburton River.

Run 104, Mount Somers Station.—10,600 acres, situated in the Ashburton County. Bounded on the north-east by Run 102 from the saddle near Trig. TT, Mount Somers Range, to the north-west boundary of Forest Reserve 3119; on the east by the said reserve; on the south and south-west by Sections 36472, 36188, 29637, 29639, 29638, 29633, 30990, 30991, Chapman's Creek, Coal Lease No. 20, Section 9300, Crown lands, and Lot 27 Stour Village Settlement; and on the north-west by the Stour River to the source of the eastern branch, thence by a straight line to the saddle near Trig. TT, Mount Somers Range: save and except Forest Reserves 3311, 3312, and 3313, included within the above-described boundaries.

Run 8, Four Peaks Station.—10,300 acres, situated in the Geraldine County. Bounded on the north by Run 6 and Sections 36635 and 36248; on the north-east by the Hae-hae-te-Moana River and freehold land; on the south-east by freehold land; on the south by Sections 36093, 36095, 36097, and 36098; and on the north-west by Run 14.

Run 15, Sherwood Downs Station.—44,500 acres, situated in the Geraldine County. Bounded on the north by Run 77; on the east by the North Opuha River and a line to the top of the saddle; on the south-east by freehold land; on the south-west by the South Opuha River and the western branch thereof past a stone hut to the head of the north-east branch thereof; and on the west by Runs 76 and 77.

Run 208, Part of Ashwick Station.—15,700 acres, situated in the Mackenzie County. Bounded on the north-east by Run 15; on the east by freehold lands; on the south-west by freehold lands and Run 209; and on the west by Run 76.

Run 209, Part of Ashwick Station.—14,670 acres, situated in the Mackenzie County. Bounded on the north-east by Run 208 and freehold lands; on the east by freehold lands and Sections 36476 and 36477; on the south by Run 75; and on the west by Run 76.

Run 28, Mount Nething Station.—15,000 acres, situated in the Mackenzie County. Bounded on the north by the Opawa Settlement; on the north-east by freehold land; on the south by Runs 41 and 65; and on the west by the Hakataramea River.

Run 41, Mount Nimrod Station.—14,000 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north by Reserve 3208, Pareora River, and Run 28; on the east by Sections 36468 and 36469; on the south east by Sections 36469 and 36503; and on the south-west by Runs 44 and 65.

Run 44, Bluecliffs Station.—17,000 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north-east by Run 41 and Sections 36503, 36220, 36221, 36222, 36223, 36224, 36225, and 36226; on the south by Run 47; on the west by the Waihao River, a fence, and freehold land; and on the north-west by Run 65.

Run 47, Otaio Station.—15,372 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north by Run 44 and Sections 36226 and 36227; on the north-east and east by Run 214 and Sections 36230, 36231, and 36232; on the south by Run 50; and on the west by the Waihao River and freehold land.

Run 50, Mount Studholme Station.—6,300 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north by Run 47; on the east by Run 48; on the south by Run 49; and on the south-west by the Waihao River and freehold land.

Run 66, Waitangi Station.—49,250 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north by Runs 68 and 70; on the east and south-east by Runs 61A and 62A; on the south by freehold land and the Waitaki River; and on the west by Run 67 and freehold land.

Run 149, Woodstock Station.—9,000 acres, situated in the Ashley County. Bounded on the north by the edge of the bush, which is about three-quarters of a mile to the south of Trig. S; on the east by the edge of the bush to the eastward of Trigs. B1 and R to the northernmost angle of Reserve 1134, near Trig. 32; on the south by Reserve 1134, Sections 24071, 25878, 14703, and the road to the north of Sections 24920 and 26681; and on the west by the Waimakariri River to the starting-point.

Run 173, Avoca Station.—6,800 acres, situated in the Selwyn County. Bounded on the north by the Broken River; on the east by the Waimakariri River; on the south-east by the Staircase Gully Stream; on the south by the spur leading to the top of Mount Torlesse Range at a point 6,457 ft.; and on the west by Run 172 and Forest Reserve 3290.

Run 221, Wilberforce Station.—63,000 acres, situated in the Selwyn County. Bounded on the east by the road from Browning's Pass to where it strikes the Wilberforce River near Trig. A; thence by the Wilberforce River and the eastern boundary of Forest Reserve No. 3306; on the south by Run 181 and the Mathias River to Mathias Pass; and on the north-west by the top of the Main Range from Mathias Pass to Browning's Pass.

Run 61a, Part of Hakataramea Station.—6,650 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north-west by Runs 62A and 66; on the south-east and east by Run 61 within Educational Reserve 1574; on the south-west by the Waitaki River and freehold land; and on the west by freehold land and Run 66.

Run 62a, Part of Hakataramea Station.—9,700 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north-east by the rabbit-fence and freehold land; on the south-east by Run 62, within Educational Reserve 1574; on the south by Run 61A; and on the west by Runs 66 and 70.

Run 64, Part of Hakataramea Station.—11,000 acres, situated in the Waimate County. Bounded on the north-east by Run 74; on the south-east by freehold land; on the south-west by the rabbit-fence; and on the west by Runs 70 and 72.

Class II.—Pastoral Agricultural Lands, being Lands adapted in Part for Pasturage and in Part for Agricultural Purposes, but suitable for Subdivision in Areas not exceeding 5,000 Acres.

Run 210, Part of Mount Peel Station.—1,170 acres, situated in the Geraldine County. 830 acres bounded on the east by the Rangitata River; on the south by Sections 29298 and 21132; on the west by Sections 21132, 29394, 33968, and Run 1. 340 acres bounded on the east by the Rangitata River; on the south by Section 29283, a road to the north-east of Section 25676, and Sections 25676 and 22880; on the west by Run 1 and Section 29292, by Section 29393, a road, Section 30580, a road, and Section 30581.

Otago Runs classified.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

SCHEDULE.

CLASS I.—PASTORAL LANDS, being Lands suitable exclusively for Pasturage, and not capable of being used with Profit in Areas of a Carrying-capacity of less than Five Thousand Sheep.

Runs.	Area.	Description.
217 and 217A (grouped)	Acres. 34,460	Situated in Waitaki County, and chiefly in Waihemo Survey District. Bounded on the north-west by Run 134A; on the east by Kauroo Survey District and Run 98; on the north by Run 98; again on the east by freehold land in Otepopo Survey District; on the south by Runs 217B and 217C; and on the west by the summit of the Kakanui Mountains.
203B and 203C (grouped)	10,700	Situated in Maniototo County and Swinburn Survey District. Bounded on the north by surveyed land and Run 206E; on the east by summit of Kakanui Mountains; on the south-east by the Shag River; on the south by Run 203A and surveyed land; and on the west by surveyed land.
213B and 213C (grouped)	33,270	Situated in Taieri County and Loganburn and Strath Taieri Survey Districts. Bounded on the north by spur of Rock and Pillar Range and Run 213D; on the east by surveyed lands; on the south by Sutton Stream; and on the south-west by Run 254.

CLASS II.—PASTORAL AGRICULTURAL LANDS, being Lands adapted in Part for Pasturage and in Part for Agricultural Purposes, but suitable for Subdivision in Areas not exceeding Five Thousand Acres.

Runs.	Area.	Description.
221A, 221B, and 221C (grouped)	Acres. 17,083	Situated in Vincent County and Leaning Rock Survey District. Bounded on the north-west by summit of Dunstan Mountains; generally on the east by Runs 238H, 221E, and surveyed land, Run 221, and Manuherikia River; and generally on the west by Alexandra Township, Old Clyde Commonage, and Run 221D.
221, 221E, and 238H (grouped)	20,298	Situated in Vincent County and Leaning Rock, Tiger Hill, and Wakefield Survey Districts. Bounded on the north west by summit of Dunstan Mountains; generally on the east by Runs 238I, 223D, Chatto Creek, and Manuherikia River; and generally on the west by Runs 221B, 221A, surveyed land, and Run 221C.
212E and 212F (grouped)	3,407	Situated in Tuapeka County and Greenvale Survey District. Bounded on the north by surveyed land; on the east by surveyed land and Run 212A; on the south by surveyed land; and on the west by road reserve up Pomahaka River.
Section 28, Block VII., Table Hill District	650	Situated in Tuapeka County. Bounded on the north, east, and south by road-line; and on the west by Waitahuna East Survey District.
Sections 10, 12, and 13, Block I., Dunback District	588	Situated in Waihemo County. Bounded on the north by road and Section 6; on the east by Moeraki Survey District; on the south by Sections 3, 4, and 5, Block I., Waihemo District; and on the west by Block V.

D. BARRON,
JOHN DUNCAN,
HUGH H. KIRKPATRICK, } Commissioners.

Dunedin, 11th December, 1902.

*Notice of the Laying-off of Roads through Lands in Mangao-
poro and Waiapu Survey Districts.*

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the roads described in the Schedule hereto were duly taken and laid off, in March, 1902, through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrant dated the 23rd August, 1901.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Native Block	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 3 13	Pukemanuka B 2	VIII.	Mangaoporo	R. 4376	Red.
5 3 30	Pukemanuka C 2	"	"	"	Green.
10 2 8	Waioro 2 ..	V.	Waiapu ..	"	Red.
1 0 36	Te Waihooru 2b	"	" ..	"	"
2 0 31	Waihuka B 1b	VIII.	Mangaoporo	R. 4376a	"
2 0 9	Waihuka B 2b	"	"	"	"

All in the Land District of Hawke's Bay; as the same are delineated upon the plans marked and coloured as above mentioned, and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District. Dated this 23rd day of December, 1902.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying off of Road through Mangaroa Native Blocks B and C No. 2, Ohura Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was duly laid off, in November, 1902, through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrant dated the 5th day of September, 1902.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Part of Native Block	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 10 2 0	Mangaroa C No. 2	VI.	Ohura ..	R. 4472	Red.
9 2 0	Mangaroa B	"	" ..	"	Purple.

In the Land District of Taranaki; as the same are delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, and deposited in the Office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District. Dated this 23rd day of December, 1902.

J. CARROLL,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Roads through Lands in Block III., Ohura Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the roads described in the Schedule hereto were duly taken and laid off on the 30th September, 1902, through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by Warrant dated the 27th May, 1902.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 6 1 10	Ohura South K No. 2, Section 2c, Native Block	III.	Ohura	R. 4427	Red.
2 0 0	Ditto ..	"	"	"	"

All in the Land District of Taranaki; as the same are delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District. Dated this 2nd day of January, 1903.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Road through Native Block in Block VI., Ohura Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the road described in the Schedule hereto was duly taken and laid off, on 29th November, 1902, through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by Warrant dated the 5th September, 1902.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 6 0 6	Ohura South K No. 2, Section 2b	VI.	Ohura	R. 4471	Red.

In the Land District of Taranaki; as the same is delineated upon the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District. Dated this 2nd day of January, 1903.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
Minister of Mines.

Officers appointed.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 10th December, 1902.

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

J. G. WARD,
Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

PERMANENT.

Name.	Position.	Office.	Date.
Anderson, Oscar Wilfred Breaky ..	Letter-carrier	Ashburton	28 July, 1902.
Boyes, Roland Yorke	Cadet	Whangarei	1 " "
Bringezu, Harry Fred Gottlieb ..	Letter-carrier	Masterton	30 " "
Cash, James	P.O. Boy Messenger	Auckland	1 May, "
Craig, William Mitchell	Assistant Counter Clerk	Wellington	24 June, "
Fowler, George Ernest	Letter-carrier	Kaipoi	26 July, "
Gallagher, Annie Isabella	Cadette, Telephone Exchange	Westport	8 " "
Mooney, James	Letter-carrier	Riverton	29 May, "
Munn, Henry Arthur	Cadet	Lytelton	10 July, "
Nicholas, Gregory James	Mail-carrier and Messenger	Woodville	7 " "
Purcell, James Boyd	Cadet	Rotorua	1 " "
Sawyer, Arthur John	"	Gisborne	19 May, "
Sheen, Reginald	"	"	17 " "
Simpson, John	Assistant P.O. Messenger	New Plymouth	22 July, 1901.
Strachan, David Charles William ..	"	Dunedin	1 Aug., 1902.
Wilson, William Atherton	Letter-carrier	Christchurch	30 June, "

NON-PERMANENT.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
POSTMASTERS AND TELEGRAPHISTS.			
<i>Railway Officers.</i>			
Bean, Paul Eugene	Featherston	Wellington	27 Sept., 1902.
Beekman, Antonie	Kurow	Oamaru	9 Oct., "
King, William Gordon	Stirling	Dunedin	4 " "
White, John Harold	Chertsey	Christchurch	9 " "
TELEGRAPHISTS.			
<i>Railway Officers.</i>			
Lewis, Thomas	Hyde Railway	Dunedin	25 July, 1902.
Shelton, George William	Henley Railway	"	22 Aug., "
POSTMASTERS.			
Anderson, Millicent Margaret Charlotte ..	Maraeroa	Auckland	6 Sept., 1902.
Ashton, James Simpson	Opango	"	1 Nov., "
Baylea, John	Upper Nevis	Invercargill	9 Oct., "
Brown, William	Taylorville	Wanganui	1 Aug., "
Ellis, Henry John	Pukeroa	"	1 Oct., "
Evans, James Harvey	Top Valley	Blenheim	1 July, "
Franklin, Mark	Mangatuna	Napier	24 Oct., "
Garland, John Howard*	Awhitu Central	Auckland	1 " 1901.
Gibbs, Harold William	Cambridge West	"	1 Nov., 1902.
Glanville, William James	Ohape	Timaru	13 Oct., "
Hitchcox, Ethel	Ratapiko	New Plymouth	8 " "
McGallan, Janet	Eiffelton	Christchurch	13 Sept., "
McInerney, Patrick	Kononi	Dunedin	1 Nov., "
McNee, Russell James	Upper Matakitaki	Westport	1 " "
Marr, Henry	Globe Mine	Greymouth	1 Oct., "
Mason, Francis Augustus	Maungaraupi	Wellington	1 " "
Robinson, Robert Campbell	Neavesville	Thames	13 " "
Roil, William Henry	Patoka	Napier	9 " "
Seymour, Samuel Percy	Te Oneroa	Invercargill	23 " "
Small, Neil	Ohinewairua	Wanganui	27 " "
Vincent, William	Mawheraiti	Greymouth	16 " "
Walker, Margaret	Ahiaruhe	Wellington	5 Sept., "
Wallace, James Alfred	Whetukura	Napier	1 Oct., "
Wilding, Charles Benjamin	Whareponga	Gisborne	22 " "
Willdon, John	Hillsborough	New Plymouth	1 Nov., "
Williams, Joseph Walter	Pitt Island	Wellington	1 " "
Winstone, William Henry	Makomako	"	7 Oct., "
POSTMASTERS AND TELEPHONISTS.			
Aitken, George	Birchfield	Westport	1 July, 1902.
Draper, James	Taheke	Auckland	21 Oct., "
Dunsford, Henry Arthur Edward	Komata	Thames	1 " "
Hunter, Thomas	Waddington	Christchurch	1 Sept., "
Jones, Frederick Alfred	Waikino	Thames	29 " "
Leslie, Alexander	Waikanae	Wellington	1 Oct., "
Pickersgill, John	Leithfield	Christchurch	1 Nov., "
Scott, Walter Joseph	Buckland	Auckland	7 Oct., "
Tennent, Hugh Patrick Lyon	Paremata	Wellington	25 Aug., "
Westbury, Edward	Titiroa	Invercargill	13 Oct., "
TELEPHONISTS.			
Chalmers, James	Waitiri	Dunedin	26 Sept., 1902.
Corby, Timothy	Coal Creek	Westport	8 Oct., "
Elliott, James William	Hatuma	Napier	3 " "
Garland, John Howard	Awhitu Central	Auckland	17 " "
Hansen, Emma	Tane	Wellington	18 " "
Munro, Robert Ross	Farewell Spit	Nelson	21 May, "
Whymark, Alfred George	Cape Saunders	Dunedin	1 June, "
Wilson, William George	Nine-Mile	Westport	1 Oct., "

* Correcting entry in Gazette No. 103, of 5th December, 1901.

Offices opened and closed.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 10th December, 1902.

THE following particulars of offices opened and closed are published for general information.
J. G. WARD,
Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

Name.	District.	Date.
POST-OFFICES OPENED.		
Hillsborough	New Plymouth	1 November, 1902.
Kononi	Dunedin	1
Mangatuna	Napier	24 October, ..
Ohinewairua	Wanganui	27
POST-OFFICE CLOSED.		
Khandallah	Wellington	1 October, 1902.
MONEY-ORDER OFFICES AND POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS OPENED.		
Tariki	New Plymouth	8 November, 1902.
Whakapara	Auckland	1 December, ..
POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK OPENED.		
Nireaha	Wellington	16 November, 1902.
TELEPHONE-OFFICES OPENED.		
Ahuroa	Auckland	24 October, 1902.
Hurunui	Christchurch	19 November, ..
Otamatea (reopened)	Auckland	3
TELEPHONE-OFFICE CLOSED.		
Tahakeroa	Auckland	21 October, 1902.
TELEPHONE EXCHANGE OPENED.		
Devonport	Auckland	27 October, 1902.

Bonus for Treatment of Auriferous Black Sand.

Mines Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 14th November, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that a bonus of £2,000 will be paid to any person who, before the 1st January, 1904, shall invent such appliances as will successfully save gold from black sands in New Zealand.

The bonus will be paid on compliance with the following conditions:—

1. The invention shall, in its main features, differ from all machinery and appliances at present in use for the saving of gold, whether coarse or fine.
2. It shall be readily transportable from place to place, and shall be capable of utilising local water for all its requirements.
3. The invention must be capable of treating not less than 30 cubic yards an hour of black sand or any coarser material up to a diameter of 4 in.; and it must be capable of treating such material profitably where there is not more than a value, in gold, of 3d. per cubic yard; not less than 80 per cent. of the gold contained in the material to be recovered by the machine.
4. No bonus to be paid until the invention has been continuously worked for not less than six months, and it shall, during that period, have treated not less than 100,000 cubic yards of material, working three shifts a day.
5. The bonus will be paid on the certificate of an officer that not less than twenty persons other than the applicant for the bonus are successfully working the invention.
6. Any person who receives the bonus shall not be allowed to take out patent rights in New Zealand for his invention.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
Minister of Mines.

Judges appointed to try Election Petitions.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND.

In the matter of "The Electoral Act, 1902."

I IN pursuance of "The Electoral Act, 1902," I hereby appoint myself and His Honour Mr. Justice Conolly to be the Judges of the Election Court before whom shall be heard the election petition presented by John McEffer Shera against the return and election of Frank Lawry as member of the House of Representatives for the Parnell Electoral District.

Dated at Auckland, this 3rd day of January, 1903.

ROBERT STOUT,
Chief Justice.

Fixing Time and Place for trying Election Petitions.

I IN exercise of all powers and authorities enabling us in this behalf, we, being the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand named and appointed as the Election Court to hear and try the petition presented under "The Electoral Act, 1902," by John McEffer Shera against the return and election of Frank Lawry as member of the House of Representatives for the Parnell Electoral District, do hereby appoint and fix the Supreme Court House in the City of Auckland as the place at which, and 11 o'clock in the forenoon of Monday, the 2nd day of February, 1903, as the time when, the said petition shall be heard and tried.

Dated at Auckland, this 3rd day of January, 1903.

ROBERT STOUT, C.J.
EDWD. T. CONOLLY, J.

Judges appointed to try Election Petitions.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND.

In the matter of "The Electoral Act, 1902."

I IN pursuance of "The Electoral Act, 1902," I hereby appoint myself and His Honour Mr. Justice Conolly to be the Judges of the Election Court before whom shall be heard the election petition presented by George Andrews and Samuel Finch against the return and election of George Fowlds as member of the House of Representatives for the Grey Lynn Electoral District.

Dated at Auckland, this 3rd day of January, 1903.

ROBERT STOUT,
Chief Justice.

Fixing Time and Place for trying Election Petitions.

I IN exercise of all powers and authorities enabling us in this behalf, we, being the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand named and appointed as the Election Court to hear and try the petition presented under "The Electoral Act, 1902," by George Andrews and Samuel Finch against the return and election of George Fowlds as member of the House of Representatives for the Grey Lynn Electoral District, do hereby appoint and fix the Supreme Court House in the City of Auckland as the place at which, and 11 o'clock in the forenoon of Monday, the 2nd day of February, 1903, as the time when, the said petition shall be heard and tried.

Dated at Auckland, this 3rd day of January, 1903.

ROBERT STOUT, C.J.
EDWD. T. CONOLLY, J.

Notice of Cancellation of Registry under "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900."

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 7th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the registration of the Otago and Southland Dredgemen's Industrial Union of Workers, No. 250, is hereby cancelled as from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

EDWARD TREGEAR,
Registrar of Industrial Unions.

Notice of Cancellation of Registry under "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900."

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 5th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the registration of the Wellington Tailoresses' Industrial Union of Workmen, No. 3, is hereby cancelled as from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

EDWARD TREGEAR,
Registrar of Industrial Unions.

Commissioner of the Supreme Court appointed.

NOTICE.—WILLIAM WEBB, Esq., of 39, New Broad Street, London, England, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Judicature, England, has this day been appointed by His Honour the Chief Justice a Commissioner of the Supreme Court of New Zealand in England, under the 2nd section of "The Commissioners of the Supreme Court Act, 1875," for the purpose of administering and taking all such oaths, affidavits, and affirmations as in the said section mentioned.

Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of December, 1902.

W. A. HAWKINS,
Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 6th January, 1903.

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.

Sarah Hannah McGowan, otherwise known as "Sarah McGowan," late of Porirua Asylum, in the Provincial District of Wellington, married woman. Filed on the 20th day of December, 1902.

Frederick Fuller, otherwise known as "Frederick Cox," late of Springston, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, gardener. Filed on the 20th day of December, 1902.

Arthur Prestner, late of Fernside, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, farmer. Filed on the 20th day of December, 1902.

Joseph McLernon, late of Maruia, in the Provincial District of Nelson, settler. Filed on the 20th day of December, 1902.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 495, in Market Street, in the Township of Picton and Provincial District of Marlborough, bounded on the north by Section 496, on the east by the Waitohi Stream, on the south by Section 494, and on the west by Market Street aforesaid. The grantee is Robert Laing, described as "of Haggerstone, London, County of Middlesex, Esq.," who never uplifted his title, and whose address, if living, is not known.

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

Now, this notice calls upon such owner or owners, within six months of the date of the publication of this notice in this *Gazette*, to establish to the satisfaction of the Public Trustee his or their title to the land specified in this notice;

and, if such owner does or owners do not, within the time limited, so establish his or their title, the Public Trustee will exercise the powers and authorities granted to him in and by "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1902.

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 is £15.

Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of December, 1902.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1 acre, more or less, being Allotment 171, Section 2, fronting Ford Street, in the Township of Opotiki, and Provincial District of Auckland. Bounded on the north by Allotment 125, 200 links; on the east by Allotment 170, 500 links; on the south by Ford Street, 200 links; and on the west by Allotment 172, 500 links.

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

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

Dated at Wellington, this 23rd day of December, 1902.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 5 acres, more or less, being Allotment 115, Section 4, in the Parish of Waipipi and Provincial District of Auckland. Bounded on the north-west by a road, 497 links; on the south-east by Lot 116, 1067 links; on the south-west by Lot 114, 512 links; and towards the north-west by a road, 270 and 781 links.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Crown Lands in Township of South Rakaia to be offered for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 20th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the unsold sections in the Township of South Rakaia, grouped as noted hereunder, will be offered for lease by public auction, at the Courthouse, Rakaia, on Monday, 23rd February, 1903, at 11 a.m.

In the event of the leases of any of the allotments not being disposed of at the auction, they will immediately thereafter be open for selection at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.
CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Section-numbers.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
679, 681, 683, 685, 687, 689 ..	A. R. P. 1 2 0	£ s. d. 1 10 0
708, 709, 711	0 3 0	0 15 0
715, 717, 719, 721	1 0 0	1 0 0
725, 726, 727, 728, 729 ..	1 0 15-7	1 5 0
598, 600, 602	0 3 0	0 15 0
589, 590, 592, 593, 594, 595 ..	1 2 0	1 10 0
579, 580, 581, 582, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588	2 0 8-6	2 5 9
570, 571, 573	0 3 15	0 16 10
561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 568, 569	1 3 39	2 0 0
59, 63, 65, 67	1 0 0	1 0 0
61, 62, 64, 66, 68	1 1 0	1 5 0

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The term of lease will be for a period of seven years, commencing on the day of sale, subject to termination upon six months' notice in the event of the land being otherwise required.
2. Possession will be given on the day of sale.
3. One half-year's rent and a lease fee of £1 ls. must be paid on the fall of the hammer, or with the application for the lease.
4. Lessees will be required, within one year from the commencement of the lease, to thoroughly clear the land of gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds now growing upon the land, and to keep it so cleared during the whole of the term. Not later than the sixth year of the term, the lessee will be required to have the land satisfactorily laid down in grass and clover, and it must be so left at the expiration of the term.
5. No compensation will be paid for any improvements effected by the lessees, but they will be allowed, on the expiration of their leases, or in the event of the land being resumed as hereinbefore provided, to remove any fencing or buildings erected by them upon the lands.
6. In addition to the above, the leases will be subject to the general conditions applicable to leases of Crown lands under "The Land Act, 1892."

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Otago Land District, liable to Forfeiture.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 22nd December, 1902.

PURSUANT to section 215 of "The Land Act, 1892," notice is hereby given to the following persons that the undermentioned pastoral license is liable to forfeiture, and that if the rent overdue thereon, together with the full amount of the penalty, be not paid within three months from date, the license will be declared forfeited.

SCHEDULE.
OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

License No.	Run No.	County.	Licenseses.
1194	333A	Lake	James Maben and James Mitchell.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri and Totara Timber in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 30th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned totara and kauri timber standing on Section 4A, Block I., Punakitere Survey District, Hokianga County, will be offered for sale by public auction at this office on Thursday, the 26th day of February, 1903, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

460 kauri-trees, containing about 865,430 superficial feet.
87 totara-trees, containing about 93,144 superficial feet.
Upset price, £519 6s.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, and the remaining half within six months from date of sale, supported by promissory note. All timber to be cut and removed within two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 30th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned village-homestead allotments will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 24th day of February, 1903.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

HUTT COUNTY.—BELMONT SURVEY DISTRICT.—KOROKORO VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
89 | XIII.	0 2 30	3 4 0	1 2 0

This section is situated on the hills on the north-west of Petone. The access is from Petone, which is about one mile and three-quarters distant by good metalled road. The section comprises undulating open country in English grasses, falling from the front to back of section, with good building-site on front of the section. The soil is of good quality, and of fair depth, resting on sandstone formation.

HAWKE'S BAY COUNTY.—OHINEWAIKURA SURVEY DISTRICT.—ORAUKURA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1 | XI.	56 1 17	0 1 10-5	2 13 0

Weighted with £46 19s., valuation for improvements. This section is situated in the Awarua Block. The access is from Taihape, which is about four miles distant, *via* Main Trunk Road for two miles and a half, and Taihape—Otuarei Road for one mile and a half. With the exception of about three-quarters of a mile the former is a metalled road; the latter is a clay road formed 12 ft. wide. The section comprises flat and undulating country. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. All open country, roughly grassed with English and natural grasses. The elevation ranges from about 1,800 ft. to about 1,950 ft. above sea-level. The improvements consist of 21 chains of fencing; garden; house, partly built; dairy, stable, and fowlhouse.

AKITIO COUNTY.—MOUNT CERBERUS SURVEY DISTRICT.—PONGAROA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
28 | ..	19 3 0	0 1 7-2	0 15 10

Weighted with £81 17s. 6d., valuation for improvements.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
15 | ..	100 0 0	0 1 3-6	3 5 0

Section 28 is situated on the Huia Road. The access is from Pongaroa Township, which is about one mile and a quarter distant, of which one half-mile is metalled road, the remainder a 6 ft. track. The section comprises flat and low undulating land, grassed, ring-fenced, and whare erected. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is cleared. The section is watered by a creek. The elevation ranges from about 500 ft. to 600 ft. above sea-level. The improvements consist of 19½ acres of felling, 19½ acres grassing, 37 chains fencing, and whare.

Section 15 is situated on the Taraingahuata Road. The access is from Pongaroa Township, which is about two miles distant by dray-road and horse-track. The section comprises undulating and hilly land. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The forest comprises rimu, rata, matai, kahikatea, tawa, and a few totara-trees, with a light undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, lawyers, scrub, &c. The section is well watered by a creek traversing the frontage. The elevation ranges from about 500 ft. to 600 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 27 acres felling and grassing, and whare.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in the Southland Land District forfeited or surrendered.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 24th December, 1902.

It is hereby notified that, the leases or licenses of the undermentioned lands having been forfeited, or the surrender accepted, by resolutions of the Southland Land Board, the said lands have thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

Lessee or Licensee.	Tenure.	Lease or License No.	Section.	Block.	Locality.
Charles Arthur Church	L.I.P.	810 (V.H.)	73	XXII.	Invercargill Hundred.
Ernest Williams.. .. .	O.R.P.	154	27	VIII.	Campbelltown Hundred.
Herbert Heberley	"	210	121, 122	I.	Paterson.
Bessie Burke	L.I.P.	716 (V.H.)	1, 2	III.	Seaward Bush Township.
William James Richmond	M.D.L.O.L.	13	90	II.	Longwood.
Edmund O'Dea	L.I.P.	204 (V.H.)	9	VII.	"
Andrew McBride	"	475 (V.H.)	209	"	Wairio.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Pastoral Runs in the Canterbury Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 6th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at the times and places, and subject to the terms and conditions, hereunder specified.

PASTORAL LICENSES UNDER "THE LAND ACT, 1892."

Litho. No.	Run No.	Name of Run.	County.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
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To be offered at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Friday, 27th February, 1903, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Class I.

				Acres.	£	Yrs.
1	141	Esk Head ..	Ashley ..	35,900	380	14
1	142	The Lakes ..	" ..	30,000	400	14
1*	144	Snowdale ..	" ..	45,600	450	14
1	149	Woodstock ..	" ..	9,000	200	14
2	171	Brookdale ..	Selwyn ..	20,200	350	13
2	173	Avoca ..	" ..	6,800	86	13
2	121	Craigieburn ..	" ..	50,000	1,000	13
2	122*	Grassmere ..	" ..	13,700	350	13
2	174	Cora Lynn ..	" ..	39,200	200	13
2	175	Riversdale ..	" ..	17,400	250	13
3	100	Mount Hutt ..	Ashburton	34,700	375	14
3	102	Winterslow ..	" ..	29,900	375	14
3	104	Mount Somers ..	" ..	12,100	260	14
3	108*	Part of Mount Possession	" ..	29,500	700	14
3	109*	Ditto ..	" ..	15,400	550	14

To be offered at the local Land Office, Timaru, on Tuesday, 24th February, 1903, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Class II.

4	210	Pt. of Mount Peel	Geraldine	1,170	100	13
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Class I.

4	8	Four Peaks ..	Geraldine	10,300	450	10
4	15	Sherwood Downs ..	" ..	44,500	600	14
4	208	Pt. of Ashwick ..	Mackenzie	15,700	260	14
4	209	" ..	" ..	14,670	210	14
5	28	Mount Nessing ..	" ..	15,000	425	14
5	41	Mount Nimrod ..	Waimate	14,000	450	14
5	44	Bluecliffs ..	" ..	17,000	425	14
5	47	Otaio ..	" ..	15,372	575	14
5	50	Mount Studholme	" ..	6,300	230	10
5	61†	Pt. of Hakataramea	" ..	15,228	580	14
5	62†	" ..	" ..	5,400	180	14
5	61A	" ..	" ..	6,650	175	14
5	62A	" ..	" ..	9,700	162	14
5	64	" ..	" ..	11,000	275	14
5	66	Waitangi ..	" ..	49,250	950	14

* Canterbury College Endowment Reserve.

† Lincoln Agricultural College Endowment Reserve.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the runs will be given to the purchasers of the licenses on the 1st March, 1904.

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, 1904, and shall in each case be for the years specified above, from that date.

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

- (1.) That if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever directly or indirectly, commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;
- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license;
- (3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner;
- (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; and
- (5.) That during the months of December to June, inclusive, or such other months, not exceeding altogether seven in any one year, as the Commissioner shall from time to time determine, the licensee shall not burn the grass on the land comprised in the license.

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

6. One half-year's rent and a license-fee of £1 1s. shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license, the half-year's rent paid on the fall of the hammer being for the half-year commencing on the 1st March, 1904. 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. The runs are sold subject to the rights of the present licensees to valuation for improvements in terms of section 207 of "The Land Act, 1892," and to the other provisions of the Land Acts relating to improvements effected by licensees, but no licensee shall be entitled to valuation for improvements effected upon the forest reserves included in this license. Where fences form the boundary between Crown lands offered for license and freehold lands, the purchaser of such license will be liable to the provisions of any law now or hereafter in force relating to boundary-fences.

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 land solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

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

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

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1892." (Signature.)

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

LOCALITY AND DESCRIPTION OF RUNS.

RUN 141, ESK HEAD.

This run is situate near Lake Sumner, in the forks of the Seaward and Hurunui (South Branch) Rivers, about thirty miles distant from Waikari Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,250 ft. to 6,100 ft. above sea-level. It comprises generally tussock country, with the exception of the mountain tops. The improvements consist of about three miles and a quarter of boundary and internal fencing, men's hut, stable, cart-shed, stock and sheep yards. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,311.

RUN 142, THE LAKES.

This run is situate about thirty-six miles from Waikari Railway-station, in the forks of the Hurunui River, near Lake Sumner, at an altitude of from 1,350 ft. to 5,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises generally tussock country, with the exception of the mountain tops. The improvements consist of about thirteen miles of subdivision and paddock fencing, six-roomed house, old stable, cow-shed, and sheep-yards. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,114.

RUN 144, SNOWDALE.

This run is situate between the River Whistler and the Puketeraki Range, about eighteen miles distant from Oxford Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,200 ft. to 4,500 ft. above sea-level. It comprises mountainous country for the most part covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of boundary and subdivision fencing, drafting-yards, shepherd's hut, and storeroom. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,268.

RUN 149, WOODSTOCK.

This run is situate on the east side of the Waimakariri River, distant about fifteen miles from the Oxford Railway-station and six miles from Springfield, at an altitude of from 1,500 ft. to 4,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises fairly low hilly country, partly covered with tussock and surface-sown grasses. The improvements consist of about four miles and three-quarters of boundary and subdivision fences, and sheep-yards. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £572.

RUN 171, BROOKDALE.

This run starts at the Rubicon River, about five miles from Lyndon by the West Coast Road, which runs through Springfield Railway-station, and is bounded as far as Lake it to the Porter River, about fifteen miles and a half from Springfield, at an altitude of from 1,500 ft. to 6,500 ft. above sea-level. It embraces part of the Torlesse Range and the Red Hills, and excepting the tops is tussock-covered. The improvements consist of about ten miles of boundary

fencing, and about four miles of subdivision fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,088.

RUN 173, AVOCA.

This run is situate on the north side of the Mount Torlesse Range, between the Broken River and Staircase Gully, about twelve miles distant from the Springfield Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,900 ft. to 6,500 ft. above sea-level. It comprises generally tussock country, excepting the higher parts of the Torlesse Range. The improvements consist of about one mile and a half of wire-fencing, and sheep-yards. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £295.

RUN 121, CRAIGIEBURN.

The West Coast Road runs through the western portion of this run for about seven miles, between the Broken River (twenty-one miles from Springfield) and Lake Pearson. It is situate at an altitude of from 1,900 ft. to 5,200 ft. above sea-level. It comprises fair tussock country, and partly fairly well grassed flats and downs. The improvements consist of about eighteen miles of boundary and subdivision fences, and three sheep-yards at different points on the run. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £3,685.

RUN 122, GRASSMERE.

This run is situate on the West Coast Road, between Craigieburn (twenty-eight miles from Springfield Railway-station) and the Cass River, at an altitude of from 1,900 ft. to about 5,000 ft. on part of the western boundary above sea-level. Parts of the run comprise flat and undulating tussock country. The improvements consist of about 12½ miles of boundary and subdivision wire-fences. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,155.

RUN 100, MOUNT HUTT.

This run is situate on the Mount Hutt Range, about ten miles from Methven Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,100 ft. to 7,180 ft. above sea-level: it comprises principally very rough mountainous country, the lower eastern and southern slopes of which are well covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about ten miles and a half of standard and wire boundary and subdivision fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,161.

RUN 102, WINTERSLOW.

This run is situate on the Winterslow Range, about thirteen miles from Methven Railway-station, at an altitude of from about 2,000 ft. to 7,600 ft. above sea-level at the back: it comprises rough country, mostly covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about twenty-six miles of boundary and subdivision fencing, woolshed, and house. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,380.

RUN 104, MOUNT SOMERS.

This run is situate on the Mount Somers Range, about five miles distant from the Mount Somers Railway-station, at an altitude of from about 2,000 ft. to 5,500 ft. above sea-level. It consists of country partly covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about six miles and a half of boundary and subdivision fencing, and shepherd's hut. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £780.

RUN 108, PART OF MOUNT POSSESSION.

This run is situate between the south branch of the Ashburton River and the Rangitata River, about thirteen miles distant from Mount Somers Railway-station, at an altitude of from about 2,000 ft. to 6,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises country partly covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about nine miles of wire fencing, partly boundary and partly subdivisional, and sheep-yards. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £2,100.

RUN 109, PART OF MOUNT POSSESSION.

This run is situate between the Ashburton and Rangitata Rivers, about twenty-one miles distant from the Mount Somers Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,700 ft. to 4,300 ft. above sea-level. It comprises country partly covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about two miles of wire-boundary fencing adjoining freehold near Lake Tripp, and part of boundary fencing adjoining Run No. 108. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £2,640.

RUN 210, PART OF MOUNT PEEL.

This run is situate on the western bank of the River Rangitata, about twenty-one miles distant from Rangitata Railway-station, and from seven to ten miles distant from Peel Forest. It comprises for the most part river flats, covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about five miles of wire fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £381.

RUN 8, FOUR PEAKS.

This run is situate in the forks of the Haehae-te-Moana River, near Mount Four Peaks, about nineteen miles distant from Orari Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,300 ft. to 3,800 ft. above sea-level. It consists of mountainous country, covered for the most part with tussock and other native and English grasses. The improvements consist generally of about eighteen miles of standard and wire fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,830.

RUN 15, SHERWOOD DOWNS.

This run is situate in the forks of the Opuha River, with the Two-thumb Range for a back boundary, about fourteen miles distant from the Fairlie Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,800 ft. to 7,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises country generally covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about twelve miles of subdivision fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements will be £2,314.

RUN 28, MOUNT NESSING.

This run is situate on the Hunters Hills, between the Opawa and Hakataramea Rivers, about ten miles distant from Albury Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,200 ft. to 5,200 ft. above sea-level. It comprises hilly country, the lower slopes carrying good pasture of tussock, blue-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about thirty miles of boundary and subdivision fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,189.

RUN 208, PART ASHWICK.

This run is situate between the summit of the Two-thumb Range and the south branch of the Opuha River, about six miles distant north-west of the Fairlie Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,200 ft. to 6,600 ft. above sea-level. It comprises mountainous country, mostly covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of ten miles of part boundary and subdivision fencing. The maximum amount for which the incoming tenant will be liable on account of improvements will be £665.

RUN 209, PART ASHWICK.

This run is situate between the Two-thumb Range and Edwards River, about seven miles distant from the Fairlie Railway-station, at an altitude of from 4,400 ft. to 6,300 ft. above sea-level. It comprises mountainous country, mostly covered with tussock and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about 20 miles of fencing, internal and part boundary of run. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements will be £521.

RUN 41, MOUNT NIMROD.

This run is situate on the Hunters Hills, at the head of the Pareora River, about ten miles distant from Cave Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,800 ft. to 5,219 ft. above sea-level. It comprises chiefly sloping spurs, with a northerly aspect, generally covered with blue-grass, snow-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about thirty miles and a half of boundary fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,855.

RUN 44, BLUECLIFFS.

This run is situate on the western slopes of the Hunters Hills, between the summit and the River Waihao, about twenty-three miles distant from St. Andrews Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,000 ft. to 5,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises high spurs, falling steeply into the creeks, but becoming less rugged as they approach the Waihao River, mostly covered with tussock, snow-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about twenty-four miles and three-quarters of boundary and subdivision fencing, and two 12 ft. by 12 ft. wood and iron huts. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,277.

RUN 47, OTAIO.

This run is situate on the Hunters Hills, at the head of the Otaio River, about fourteen miles distant from Waimate

Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,450 ft. to 3,500 ft. above sea-level. It comprises spurs on either side of the range, with easy slopes to the lower country, generally covered with snow-grass, blue-grass, tussock, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about twenty-three miles and a half of wire boundary fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,993.

RUN 50, MOUNT STUDHOLME.

This run is situate on the western side of the Hunters Hills, and slopes down to the Waihao River, about six miles distant from the Waimate Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,400 ft. to 3,560 ft. above sea-level. It comprises spurs falling towards the creeks and the Waihao River, mostly covered with tussock, snow-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about nine miles and a half of boundary and subdivision fencing, and an iron hut. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £690.

RUN 61, PART HAKATARAMEA.

This run is situate at the southern part of the Kirkliston Range, the southern boundary being the Waitaki River, about three miles above the Hakataramea Range, at an altitude of from 700 ft. to 5,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises country mostly covered with tussock, snow-grass, blue-grass, together with a fair sprinkling of English and other grasses on the lower spurs. The improvements consist of about eighteen miles of boundary and internal fencing, and two iron huts. The fencing includes about eleven miles of Government rabbit-fence on the eastern boundary, not to be paid for by the incoming tenant, and two miles and a half of interior rabbit-proof fencing, for which full valuation will be payable by the incoming tenant. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements, irrespective of valuation for rabbit-proof fencing, is £2,149.

RUN 61A, PART HAKATARAMEA.

This run is situate on the western slopes of the Kirkliston Range, having a small frontage on the Waitaki River, about five miles and a half from Hakataramea Railway station, at an altitude generally from 700 ft. to 3,000 ft. above sea-level, though about 6,000 ft. at the extreme southern point. It comprises generally fairly well-grassed country. The improvements consist of about fifteen miles of boundary and internal fencing, including about three miles and a half of rabbit-proof fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £794, exclusive of the rabbit-proof fencing, for which full valuation is payable, in addition to the valuation for the other improvements.

RUN 62, PART HAKATARAMEA.

This run is situate on the lower eastern slopes of the Kirkliston Range, about twelve miles north of the Hakataramea Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,700 ft. to 4,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises country generally well covered with tussock, snow-grass, blue-grass, and other native grasses, with a fair sprinkling of English grasses in places. The improvements consist of about eight miles and a half of boundary and internal fencing, which includes about four miles and a half of Government rabbit-fence traversing the centre of the run, and which the incoming tenant is not required to pay for. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £558.

RUN 62A, PART HAKATARAMEA.

This run is situate on the eastern slopes of the Kirkliston Range at the head of Cattle Creek, about fifteen miles distant from Hakataramea Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,400 ft. to 5,900 ft. above sea-level. It comprises country partly covered with tussock and snow-grasses. The improvements consist of about sixteen miles and a quarter of ordinary standard and wire fencing, including about three miles of rabbit-proof fence belonging to the Government. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £736.

RUN 64, PART OF HAKATARAMEA.

This run is situate on the eastern slopes of the Grampian Mountains, and extends about eleven miles and a half in a southerly direction from the Hakataramea Pass, at an altitude of from 2,000 ft. to 5,600 ft. above sea-level. The lower spurs of the range are easy and sloping, and are mostly covered with tussock, snow-grass, blue-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about twenty miles and a half of boundary and subdivision fencing, and cob hut with iron roof. Included in this length of fencing are about three miles of Government rabbit-fence on the southern boundary, that are not to be paid for by the in-

coming tenant. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £630.

RUN 66, WAITANGI.

This run is situate on the north bank of the Waitaki River, about eight miles north-westward from Hakataramea Railway-station; it has a frontage of about four miles to the Waitaki, and extends back about fourteen miles in a north-easterly direction. Altitude, from 800 ft. to 6,300 ft. above sea-level. It comprises about 1,000 acres of flat country fronting on the Waitaki River, the balance being mountainous and hilly country, the lower portions of which are generally fairly well grassed with tussock, snow-grass, blue-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about sixty-one miles of boundary and subdivision fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £3,311.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 5th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 27th day of February, 1903, at 11 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WALLACE COUNTY.

Run No.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
<i>Takitimo Survey District.</i>			
	Acres.	£ s. d.	
415B	4,300	2 10 0	8 years.
Weighted with £95, half valuation for boundary-fences.			
<i>Centre Hill and Takitimo Survey Districts.</i>			
535	7,224	60 4 0	14 years.
Weighted with £274 2s. 6d., valuation for fencing, &c.			

CONDITIONS.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1903. Purchasers 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 at the rate offered, license fee (£1 1s.), and the amount of the valuation for improvements, on the fall of the hammer.

JOHN HAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Opouriao Settlement, Auckland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 30th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 25th day of February, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

In the event of more than one application being received for the section on the same day, priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WHAKATANE COUNTY.—WHAKATANE SURVEY DISTRICT.—OPOURIAO SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	s. d.	s. d.
2A	IX.	7 0 0	5 0	17 6

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 5th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Wednesday, the 25th day of February, 1903.

In the event of more than one application being received for the same run on the same day, priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WEST TAUPO COUNTY.
Second-class Pastoral Country.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Half-yearly Rent.
		Acres.	£ s. d.
66	Puketapu, Karangahape, Maungaku, and Pukawa	7,238	22 12 5
Poor pumice land, broken and undulating; fronts Taupo Lake.			
67	Karangahape	3,149	9 16 10
Poor pumice land, all open, undulating; fronts Taupo Lake.			
68	Karangahape	2,953	9 4 7
Poor pumice land, all open, undulating; fronts Taupo Lake.			
69	Maungatautari and Whare-papa	10,805	40 10 5
Poor pumice-covered soil, nearly all open; situated about twenty miles from Kihikihi, fronting Waikato River.			
70	Wharepapa and Ranginui ..	6,000	18 15 0
All open land, poor pumice soil; situated from thirty to thirty-four miles from Kihikihi.			

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 6th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Tuesday, the 24th February, 1903, for the terms and at the upset annual rentals stated.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Pastoral Runs under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892." Runs Nos. 217 and 217A (grouped), Waitaki County (Class I.): Area, 34,460 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £360. Situated about six miles from Herbert Railway-station.

Runs Nos. 203B and 203C (grouped), Maniototo County (Class I.): Area, 10,700 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £200. Situated about two miles from Kye-burn Post-office.

Runs 213B and 213C (grouped), Taieri County (Class I.): Area, 33,270 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £623. Situated about three miles from Middlemarch Railway-station.

Runs 221A, 221B, and 221C (grouped), Vincent County (Class II.): Area, 17,083 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £230. Situated one mile from Alexandra, and the same distance from Clyde.

Runs Nos. 221, 221E, and 238H (grouped), Vincent County (Class II.): Area, 20,298 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £420. Situated about five miles from Alexandra, and the same distance from Clyde.

Runs Nos. 212E and 212F (grouped), Tuapeka County (Class II.): Area, 3,407 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £42 12s. Situated six miles north-west of Kelso, and five miles west of Heriot.

Section 28, Block VII., Table Hill District, Tuapeka County (Class II.): Area, 650 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £13 8s. Situated about three miles from Waitahuna.

Sections 10, 12, and 13, Block I., Dunback District, Waikato County (Class II.): Area, 588 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £20. Situated about six miles from Palmerston.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 6th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Tuesday, the 24th February, 1903, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892."

In the event of more than one application being received for the same run on the same day, priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—MANIOTOTO COUNTY.

First-class Pastoral Country.

Run.	Area.	Rent Per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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GIMMERBURN SURVEY DISTRICT.

Run.	Area.	Rent Per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
225AA	A. R. P. s. d. 772 1 0 0 6½	£ s. d. 10 9 1	

Open hilly pastoral land of good quality; about 150 acres are ploughable. Access by road, about five miles and a half from Gimmerburn Post-office and school. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,000 ft. Improvements: Half of 150 chains of wire fencing on north-east boundary, at 8s. 6d. per chain, £31 17s. 6d.; and half of 60 chains of wire fencing on north-west boundary, at 6s. per chain, £9: total valuation, £40 17s. 6d.

225BB	796 0 0 0 8½	14 1 11	
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Similar to 225AA; about 200 acres are ploughable. Distant about four miles from Gimmerburn Post-office. Altitude, 1,600 ft. to 1,800 ft. Improvements: Half of 132 chains of wire fencing on north-east boundary, at 9s. per chain, £29 14s.; and half of 48 chains on P. E. boundary, at 9s. per chain, £10 16s.: total, £40 10s.

225CC	889 0 0 0 7	12 19 4	
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Similar to above runs; about 150 acres are ploughable. Situated about five miles from Gimmerburn. Altitude, 1,700 ft. to 1,800 ft. Improvements: Half of 160 chains of wire fencing on south-west boundary, at 9s. per chain, £36; and half of 94 chains on south-east boundary, at 9s. per chain, £21 8s.: total, £57 8s.

225DD	724 1 0 0 6	9 1 0	
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Open hilly pastoral land of fair to good quality; about 90 acres are ploughable. Access by road about five miles and a half from Gimmerburn Post-office. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,000 ft. Improvements: Half of 114 chains of wire fencing on south-west boundary, at 7s. per chain, £19 19s.; and half of 40 chains on north-west boundary, at 6s. per chain, £6: total, £25 19s.

225EE	476 2 0 0 8	7 19 0	
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Similar to No. 225DD; about 250 acres are ploughable. Altitude, 1,800 ft. No improvements.

POOLBURN SURVEY DISTRICT.

225FF	2,535 2 0 0 7½	39 12 6	
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Hilly and undulating pastoral and agricultural land. Soil of very good quality, especially on the lower levels. About 600 acres are ploughable, the balance being excellent sheep-country. Access by road, about four miles and a half from Ida Valley Station and Post-office. Altitude, 1,400 ft. to 3,000 ft. Improvements: Half of 334 chains of wire fencing on south-west boundary, at 8s. per chain, £66 16s.; and half of 84 chains on east boundary, at 8s. per chain, £16 16s.: total, £83 12s.

BLACKSTONE AND POOLBURN SURVEY DISTRICTS.

225GG	2,081 2 0 0 7½	32 10 8	
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Similar to No. 225FF; about 500 acres are ploughable. Improvements: Half of 88 chains of wire fencing on south-east boundary, at 8s. per chain, £17 12s.

225HH	1,988 1 0 0 6½	26 18 5	
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Similar to Run 225FF; about 300 acres are ploughable. Situated about two miles from Ida Valley Railway-station. Improvements: Half of 48 chains of wire fencing on south-east boundary, at 7s. per chain, £8 8s.; half of 28 chains at 6s. per chain, £4 4s.; and sheep-yards, £5: total, £17 12s.

225II	1,680 3 0 0 6	21 0 3	
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Hilly and undulating pastoral and agricultural land; soil of good quality; about 250 acres of this run are ploughable. Situated about two miles from Ida Valley Railway-station. Altitude, 1,400 ft. to 3,000 ft. Improvements: Half of 70 chains of wire fencing on south-east boundary, at 6s. per chain, £10 10s.

BLACKSTONE SURVEY DISTRICT.

225JJ	1,604 0 0 0 6	20 1 0	
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Similar to Run No. 225II; about 150 acres of this run are ploughable. Improvements: Half of 196 chains of wire fencing on north-east boundary, at 7s. 6d. per chain, £36 15s.; and half of 86 chains on south-east boundary, at 8s. 6d. per chain, £18 5s. 6d.: total, £55 0s. 6d.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Marlborough Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 6th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Wednesday, the 25th February, 1903, under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892," for the terms and at the upset annual rentals stated.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—MARLBOROUGH COUNTY.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
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149	Leatham, Raglan, and Molesworth	A. R. P. 79,200 0 0	£ s. d. 100 0 0	21 years.
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Rough, broken country, ranging in altitude from 1,500 ft. to 7,000 ft. About 30,000 acres covered with inferior birch bush, remainder open, with patches of scrub, fern, and tussock. On the lower ridges, and along the river, there is fairly good tussock and grass, but a considerable part of the run consists of rocky, mountainous country, much subject to snow in winter, and birch bush that is practically worthless; well watered throughout by permanent streams. Distant about fifty miles from Blenheim, forty miles of which is by main coach-road, and remainder by bridle-track and river-beds.

150	Leatham and Molesworth	35,224 0 0	10 0 0	21 years.
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Rough, broken country, ranging in altitude from 2,000 ft. to 7,000 ft. About one-fifth covered with inferior birch bush. Along the Leatham River, and in the Barber and Gordon basins, there is very good tussock and other grass, and the land could be improved by burning and sowing. A large proportion of this run consists of worthless mountain-tops, much subject to snow in winter. Distant about fifty-seven miles from Blenheim, forty miles of which is along main coach-road, and remainder by bridle-track and river-beds.

151	Raglan and Leatham	27,200 0 0	80 0 0	21 years.
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For the most part this run consists of rough, broken country, ranging in height from 1,300 ft. to 6,000 ft. About 12,000 acres covered with inferior birch bush, remainder chiefly tussock and English grass, with some scrub in high ground; about 250 acres of well-grassed flats along the Wairau River, and above these are warm, well-grassed slopes, fairly steep, but lying to the north, on which snow will not lie long. The tops of range—rock and shingle, and snow-clad in winter months—form with the solid bush a barrier to sheep. Country well watered with permanent streams. Distant about fifty miles from Blenheim by dray-road, which runs along the north bank of Wairau River. Bounded on the east by a wire fence in fair condition, which runs from Branch to Wairau Rivers; also at the mouth of Wash River about 40 chains of wire fencing, forming small paddock and yards.

152	Patriarch	16,020 0 0	80 0 0	21 years.
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About 1,350 acres of flat, fenced in on north bank of Wairau River by well-conditioned fence; 85 acres of this is a flax swamp, partly drained, and of the remainder three-fourths is well grassed, partly with English, but principally native grasses. A woolshed, with two-roomed hut, and small paddock and yards, situated about centre of this flat. Beyond this the country is steep and rough for the most part, though here and there, as in Birch Hill Creek, are small patches fairly grassed, and capable of improvement. About one-half the area of this run is taken up by birch bush, in patches, and scrub, the north side of the mountain lying into the Goulter River being especially broken and rough, and, as is the case on the south face, carrying tutu and fern, with little grass. Altitude from 950 ft. to 5,400 ft. Well watered with permanent streams throughout. Distant about forty miles from Blenheim by dray-road, passing through Birch Hill Station, and crossing the river opposite latter homestead. Formed dray-track leading from this crossing into the bush at the back of old Section 102, whence posts and firewood can be drawn. Eastern boundary partly fenced (about one mile and a half) by good fence.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands in Mead Settlement, Canterbury Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 8th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 21st January, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN AND HALL SURVEY DISTRICTS.—SELWYN COUNTY. MEAD SETTLEMENT.

Ordinary Farms.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
SELWYN SURVEY DISTRICT.				
Subdivision A.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
1	IX.	482 3 27	2 3	27 3 3
2	"	404 1 11	2 6	25 5 5
3	"	327 1 21	2 6	20 9 3
Subdivision B.				
4	IX.	335 1 30	2 6	40 12 7
1	X.	314 2 22		
10	IX.	332 1 39	2 6	35 2 10
3	X.	229 3 4		
2	"	793 3 2	2 1½	42 3 4
HALL SURVEY DISTRICT.				
Subdivision C.				
1	IX.	352 1 0	4 7	42 16 0
2	"	24 0 2		
SELWYN SURVEY DISTRICT.				
5	IX.	464 3 31	2 10	33 2 7
6	"	286 0 7	4 3	30 7 10
8	"	388 3 0	3 11	37 18 1
Subdivision D.				
7	IX.	450 3 0	3 9	42 5 2
				*21 1 2
HALL SURVEY DISTRICT.				
Subdivision E.				
28942	VII.	91 3 6	3 0	6 17 8
SELWYN SURVEY DISTRICT.				
Subdivision F.				
9	IX.	70 0 0	4 3	7 8 9
11	"	83 0 0	5 0	10 7 6
12	"	96 0 0	6 0	14 8 0
13	"	109 3 18	6 9	18 10 9
14	"	87 0 14	5 9	12 10 5
15	"	68 3 33	6 9	11 12 9
1	XIII.	53 0 28	2 6	3 6 6
2	"	47 2 22	3 6	4 3 4
Subdivision G.				
33576 and 33577	XIV.	11 2 19	1 0	0 5 10

*Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £540 repayable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £21 1s. 2d. Total half-yearly, £63 6s. 4d.

THOS. HUMPHRIES, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Timber in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 24th November, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned kauri and totara timber, standing on the southern part of Forest Reserve, Block VIII., Opuawhanga Survey District, will be offered for sale by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on Thursday, the 15th day of January, 1903, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

Southern part of Forest Reserve, Block VIII., Opuawhanga Survey District: 591 green and 7 dry kauri-trees, containing about 2,000,575 superficial feet; and 404 green totara-trees, containing about 289,140 superficial feet: upset price, £2,273 3s. 6d.

Conditions of Sale.—One-third purchase-money in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, one-third within six months, and the balance within twelve months from date of sale. Time for removal: Two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri and Totara Timber in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 2nd December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned kauri and totara timber, standing on parts of Blocks XV. and XVI., Tutamoe Survey District, and parts of Blocks III. and IV., Kaihu Survey District, will be offered for sale by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on Thursday, the 15th day of January, 1903, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

Block No. 1.

360 dry kauri-trees, containing about 1,130,694 superficial feet; 120 scorched kauri-trees, containing about 399,791 superficial feet; 1,080 green kauri-trees, containing about 5,150,706 superficial feet: total, 1,560 kauri-trees, containing about 6,681,191 superficial feet. And 369 totara-trees, containing about 465,576 superficial feet. Upset price, £6,337 4s.

Block No. 2.

1,140 dry kauri-trees, containing about 3,426,920 superficial feet; 450 scorched kauri-trees, containing about 1,770,725 superficial feet; 1,170 green kauri-trees, containing about 4,833,747 superficial feet: total, 2,760 kauri-trees, containing about 10,031,392 superficial feet. And 397 totara-trees, containing about 550,172 superficial feet. Upset price, £9,353 2s.

CONDITIONS.

One-third of the purchase-money on the fall of the hammer, one-third within two years, and the balance within four years of date of sale, and to be supported by approved promissory notes.

Time for removal of timber: Block No. 1, six years from date of sale; Block No. 2, eight years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village Lands, Auckland Land District, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 8th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned village lands will be submitted for sale by public auction at the Foresters' Hall, Tauranga, on Wednesday, the 25th day of February, 1903, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—VILLAGE OF PAENGAROA.

Lot.	Area.	Upset Price.	Lot.	Area.	Upset Price.
1	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	24	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
2	1 0 12	3 3 9	29	0 2 19	1 17 6
3	1 0 37	3 15 0	30	0 3 23	2 14 4
4	0 3 34	2 18 0	31	0 3 23	2 14 4
5	0 3 1	2 5 0	32	0 2 19	1 17 6
6	0 3 1	2 5 0	33	0 2 17	1 17 6
7	0 3 1	2 5 0	34	0 1 38	1 10 0
22	0 3 32	2 18 0		0 2 12	1 13 9
23	0 3 8	2 8 0			

TERMS OF SALE.

One-fifth cash on fall of the hammer, and the balance, with Crown-grant fee, £1, within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the one-fifth paid by way of deposit will be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void.

GERHARD MUELLER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 8th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at this office and the local Land Office, Timaru, on Wednesday, the 11th February, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the allotment on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMATE COUNTY.—WAIMATE SURVEY DISTRICT.—MAYTOWN SETTLEMENT.
First-class Surveyed Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.			
			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
5	XV.	A. B. P.	s.	d.	£	s. d.
		43 1 2	14	0	15	2 10

This section is situated about a mile and three-quarters from the Township of Waimate in a north-easterly direction by the Main North Road and a short branch road therefrom. The section comprises agricultural land, varying in altitude from about 115 ft. to 220 ft. above sea-level, consisting chiefly of good flat-topped downs, with a strip of flat from 1 chain to 3 chains wide along the southern boundary. It is all easily workable, with cart access in two places from the flat. There are from 6 in. to 12 in. of good soil on clay, and the land is in grass nearly five years old. There is no permanent water, but a supply might be obtained by damming the creek, or, possibly, by sinking wells. The improvements (which are included in the price of the section) consist of half the value of gorse hedge on the north-west boundary (11½ chains), and half the value of 19½ chains of gorse-and-sod fence on the west boundary. Total value of existing improvements, £6 17s. 9d.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Marlborough Land District, open for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 6th January, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Wednesday, the 25th February, 1903, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892."

In the event of more than one application being received for the run on the same day, priority of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—MARLBOROUGH COUNTY.
Second-class Pastoral Country.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
140	Patriarch and Leatham	A. B. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
		6,675 0 0	0 3	41 14 4

About 400 acres flats along banks of Wairau and Branch Rivers, fair lands, well grassed with English and native grasses; remainder steep hills. A considerable portion of this run (fronting the Wairau River) consists of warm, sunny spurs, lightly covered with English grass and tussocks. About 700 acres covered with inferior birch bush in patches. On the eastern side of the range is a large area of thick fern and tutu. Altitude about 1,200 ft. to 4,500 ft., well watered by permanent streams. The south-west boundary is fenced from river to river with a wire fence. Distant forty-five miles from Blenheim by main coach-road, which crosses the Wairau River at its junction with the Branch.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

NATIVE LAND COURT NOTICES.

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

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 16th December, 1902.

IT is hereby notified that the application of Rangikaawatea Heperi and others, under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the inclusion of the names of Ngawati te Ringa and others in the list of owners of Rotomahana-Parekarangi No. 3a, Section 3, has been dismissed.

GEO. B. DAVY, Chief Judge.

Application for Confirmation Certificate under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 15th December, 1902.

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

[Gisborne, 1902-20.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1279	Transfer	15th December, 1902	Taoroa No. 2c1 ..	Mere Whariki to T. E. Sherwood.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 18th December, 1902.

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.

[Gisborne, 1902-21.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1280	Conveyance	17th December, 1902..	Maraetaha No. 1b ..	Kara Waaka (trustee for Wiremu Moraro, Hukinga Moraro, Apikara Moraro, and Te Teira Moraro, successors to William Walker) to M. J. Bayly.
1281	Increase of mortgage ..	19th December, 1902..	Kaiti 174	Rawiri Karaha and Mihi Pahura to J. Coleman.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 6th January, 1903.

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. (Wellington, Sec. 55.)

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (1902-212)	24th November, 1902	Pukehamoama D, Lot 1	Thomas Henry Lowry to Helen Caroline Lowry.
2	Transfer (1902-213)	24th November, 1902	Pukehamoama D, Lot 2	Thomas Henry Lowry to Edward H. Williams.

MAORI LANDS ADMINISTRATION NOTICES.

Meeting of Maniapoto-Tuwaharetoa District Maori Land Council at Otorohanga on Wednesday, the 14th Day of January, 1903.—"The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

Maori Lands Administration Office, Wellington, 24th December, 1902.

WHEREAS notices have been duly given to Maniapoto-Tuwaharetoa District Maori Land Council, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," in respect of the matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written: It is hereby notified that at a meeting of the said Council to be held at Otorohanga on Wednesday, the 14th day of January, 1903, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the said several matters and any other business which may be lawfully brought forward will be heard and determined by the said Council.

R. C. SIM, Recorder.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO COMPLETION OF DEALINGS HERETOFORE COMPLETED IN PART.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (1902-58)	Mangaohane No. 1A	Hiraka te Rango and others to Thomas Walter Williams (Sainsbury, Logan, and Williams, solicitors).
2	Lease (1902-59)	Motukawa	Toia Parker to Jane Sophia Olding (Sainsbury, Logan, and Williams, solicitors).

APPLICATION TO COUNCIL TO RECOMMEND REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
3	Waikawhia Rangikaharuru and others (1903-4)	Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 1.

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO LEASE.

No.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
4	Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 1 (1903-5)	Waikawhia Rangikaharuru and others to Frederick Hambrook.

APPLICATIONS FOR ISSUE OF PAPA KAINGA CERTIFICATES, OR CERTIFICATE OF JUDGE OF THE NATIVE LAND COURT IN LIEU THEREOF.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
5	Tohengaroa te Rauroha (1902-287)	Ohura South K No. 2, Section 2c.
6	Hone Taonui Ruihi (John Hetet) (1902-288)	Orahiri No. 2, Section 6B.
7	Tamihana te Huirau (1902-289)	Kinohaku East No. 1F, Sections 5 and 6; Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 4B; Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 4D.
8	Pani te Huirau (1902-290)	Kinohaku East 1F, Section 5; Kinohaku East 1F, Section 6; Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 4D.
9	Wiki Tohengaroa (1902-291)	Pukeuha C, Pukeuha D.
10	Whakairi Wananga (1902-292)	Pukeuha C.
11	Whakairi Wananga (as trustee for Kino Tohengaroa and Pehihua Tohengaroa) (1902-293)	Pukeuha C.
12	Hauptoki te Pakaru (1902-294)	Kinohaku West No. 12c No. 1.
13	Whitiniui Hohepa (1902-295)	Kinohaku East No. 2, Section 4B; Te Kumi No. 9.
14	Te Whare Hotu (1902-296)	Kinohaku East No. 2, Section 28B, Nos. 1 and 16.
15	Waikawhia Rangikaharuru (1903-1)	Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 1.
16	Koroheke Rangihaeata (1903-2)	Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 1.
17	Ani Teko (1903-3)	Pukeroa Hangatiki No. 1.

APPLICATION TO HAVE TITLE INVESTIGATED BY PAPA TUPU BLOCK COMMITTEES.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
18	Turongoiti te Koi and others (1902-257)	Te Hautu Kaimanawa, Waipapa.

Meeting of Waikato District Maori Land Council at Huntly on 14th January, 1903. — "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

Maori Lands Administration Office, Wellington, 24th December, 1902.
WHEREAS notices have been duly given to the Waikato District Maori Land Council, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," in respect of the matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written: It is hereby notified that at a meeting of the said Council to be held at Huntly on Wednesday, the 14th day of January, 1903, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the said several matters and any other business which may be lawfully brought forward will be heard and determined by the said Council.

R. C. SIM, Recorder.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO COMPLETION OF DEALINGS HERETOFORE COMPLETED IN PART.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (1902-264)	22nd October, 1902	Lot 33, Parish of Whangape	Ratima te Whakaete and others to Francis James Cuthbert, Auckland (by his solicitor, G. M. Johnston, Auckland).

APPLICATIONS TO COUNCIL TO RECOMMEND REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
2	Taui Wetere and another (1902-210)	Kawhia P No. 3 (or Motungaio). Opuatia 7d.
3	Mite Nini and Hikaka Mite (1902-308)	

APPLICATIONS FOR ISSUE OF PAKAINGA CERTIFICATES.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
4	Hikaka Mite (1902-306)	Opuatia No. 10 and 7b. Opuatia No. 10 and 7b.
5	Mite N. P. Kukutai (1902-307)	

Meeting of the Waiariki District Maori Land Council at Rotorua on Wednesday, the 14th day of January, 1903. — "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

Maori Lands Administration Office, Wellington, 24th December, 1902.
WHEREAS notices have been duly given to the Waiariki District Maori Land Council, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," in respect of the matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written: It is hereby notified that at a meeting of the said Council to be held at Rotorua on Wednesday, the 14th day of January, 1903, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the said several matters and any other business which may be lawfully brought forward will be heard and determined by the said Council.

R. C. SIM, Recorder.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO COMPLETION OF DEALINGS HERETOFORE COMPLETED IN PART.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date	Name of Land	Names of Parties.
1	Sale (1902-265)	22nd July, 1902	Motiti A	Tupaea Akuhata and others to William Paterson (McG. McGregor, solicitor).

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO LEASE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
2	J. L. Morrison (by his solicitors, Bunny and Rawson), (1902-173)	Part of Pukehuia Block (640 acres).

Resignation of President of Council under "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," accepted.

Office of Minister of Native Affairs,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

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

DAVID SCANNELL, Judge of the Native Land Court, of the office of President of the Waiariki District Maori Land Council, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

J. CARROLL,
Minister of Native Affairs.

President of Council under "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," appointed.

Office of Minister of Native Affairs,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HERBERT FRANK EDGER, Judge of the Native Land Court,

to the office of President of the Waiariki District Maori Land Council, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," vice David Scannell, resigned.

J. CARROLL,
Minister of Native Affairs.

Member of Council under "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," appointed.

Office of Minister of Native Affairs,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1902.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900,"

WILLIAM WILSON MCCARDLE, of Pirongia, to be a member of the Maniapoto-Tuwaharetoa District Maori Land Council.

J. CARROLL,
Minister of Native Affairs.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 6th December, 1902, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1901.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	22	6	28	23	10	33
2nd Class	138	152	290	109	136	245
Total	160	158	318	132	146	278
Season Tickets			4			2
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			23			29
Horses			6			..
Carriages			..			1
Dogs			2			2
Total			31			32
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays			..			..
Cattle			4			1
Calves			..			..
Sheep			209			264
Pigs			..			..
Total			213			265
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.			12			12
Wool			27			28
Firewood			..			..
Timber			38			25
Grain			..			..
Merchandise			139			106
Minerals			270			273
Total			486			444
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			16 11 8			22 19 8
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			5 4 1			3 11 3
Goods			100 5 8			126 9 11
Miscellaneous			0 17 7			0 0 1
Rents and Commission			2 8 0			2 0 0
Total			£125 7 0			£155 0 11

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	548	402	950	491	294	785
2nd Class	1,967	2,660	4,627	1,588	2,050	3,638
Total	2,515	3,062	5,577	2,079	2,344	4,423
Season Tickets			10			6
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			169			197
Horses			1			..
Carriages			..			..
Dogs			11			4
Total			181			201
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays			2			7
Cattle			20			34
Calves			3			1
Sheep			3			..
Pigs			..			13
Total			28			55
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.			18			6
Wool			..			..
Firewood			36			18
Timber			2,629			1,981
Grain			120			184
Merchandise			218			263
Minerals			5,214			5,073
Total			8,235			7,525
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			216 12 6			192 10 8
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			13 7 4			13 17 8
Goods			1,464 13 0			1,196 7 0
Miscellaneous			28 5 4			12 16 4
Rents and Commission			11 6 4			10 0 7
Total			£1,734 4 6			£1,425 12 3

KAIHU SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	22	110	132	6	118	124
2nd Class	533	870	1,403	290	1,492	1,782
Total	555	980	1,535	296	1,610	1,906
Season Tickets			0			0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			81			124
Horses			..			..
Carriages			..			..
Dogs			14			13
Total			95			137
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays			..			1
Cattle			..			..
Calves			..			..
Sheep			..			..
Pigs			..			..
Total			..			1
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.			..			..
Wool			..			..
Firewood			18			12
Timber			2,200			3,710
Grain			35			7
Merchandise			89			116
Minerals			..			..
Total			2,342			3,845
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			75 4 5			101 17 7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			6 14 4			8 7 11
Goods			467 5 4			756 15 4
Miscellaneous			18 15 5			34 11 11
Rents and Commission			1 12 0			1 17 0
Total			£569 11 6			£908 9 9

AUCKLAND SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	3,939	6,096	10,035	3,307	4,910	8,217
2nd Class	26,107	72,522	98,629	21,179	40,142	61,321
Total	30,046	78,618	108,664	24,486	45,052	69,538
Season Tickets			2,165			1,666
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			5,845			5,899
Horses			104			121
Carriages			9			9
Dogs			239			240
Total			6,197			6,269
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays			34			20
Cattle			1,935			1,822
Calves			330			134
Sheep			17,988			9,467
Pigs			88			265
Total			20,375			11,708
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.			1,122			996
Wool			691			866
Firewood			456			426
Timber			2,773			3,007
Grain			3,265			2,615
Merchandise			4,049			3,827
Minerals			9,946			8,792
Total			22,302			20,529
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			6,710 12 7			5,685 17 10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			949 10 6			826 16 2
Goods			10,452 17 8			9,828 0 6
Miscellaneous			76 11 10			76 6 1
Rents and Commission			149 13 7			143 18 1
Total			£18,339 6 2			£16,560 18 8

GISBORNE-KARAKA SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	68	224	292	..	..	..
2nd Class	723	3,150	3,873	..	..	..
Total	791	3,374	4,165	..	..	..
Season Tickets	0	..	..	..
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	11	..	..	..
Horses
Carriages
Dogs	1	..	..	..
Total	12	..	..	..
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays
Cattle
Calves	1	..	..	..
Sheep
Pigs
Total	1	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	18	..	..	..
Firewood	10	..	..	..
Timber
Grain
Merchandise	58	..	..	..
Minerals	4	..	..	..
Total	90	..	..	..
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	163 11 7	..	..	..
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	1 5 6	..	..	..
Goods	9 5 3	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	0 0 6	..	..	..
Rents and Commission
Total	£174 2 10	..	..	..

WELLINGTON-NAPIER-NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	8,095	27,208	35,303	7,196	22,020	29,216
2nd Class	38,611	124,962	163,573	32,914	91,458	124,372
Total	46,706	152,170	198,876	40,110	113,478	153,588
Season Tickets	2,197	..	..	1,628
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	17,266	..	..	16,690
Horses	636	..	..	486
Carriages	90	..	..	66
Dogs	992	..	..	719
Total	18,984	..	..	17,961
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	25	..	..	42
Cattle	3,549	..	..	1,948
Calves	79	..	..	42
Sheep	116,993	..	..	103,038
Pigs	1,099	..	..	1,317
Total	121,745	..	..	106,387
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	912	..	..	1,134
Firewood	5,194	..	..	6,399
Timber	3,262	..	..	3,674
Grain	11,408	..	..	12,200
Merchandise	5,975	..	..	5,187
Minerals	11,066	..	..	9,995
Total	44,680	..	..	43,393
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	15,406 12 7	..	..	13,006 11 2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	2,481 13 0	..	..	2,162 10 3
Goods	25,049 2 9	..	..	25,742 17 8
Miscellaneous	515 7 9	..	..	503 11 9
Rents and Commission	766 3 11	..	..	428 17 4
Total	£44,219 0 0	..	..	£41,844 8 2

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	10,927	58,084	69,011	9,088	36,726	45,814
2nd Class	56,299	192,632	248,931	49,233	169,518	218,751
Total	67,226	250,716	317,942	58,321	206,244	264,565
Season Tickets	3,939	..	..	3,648
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	31,387	..	..	29,776
Horses	609	..	..	576
Carriages	95	..	..	106
Dogs	1,002	..	..	920
Total	33,093	..	..	31,378
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	93	..	..	60
Cattle	2,217	..	..	2,093
Calves	127	..	..	153
Sheep	42,900	..	..	37,038
Pigs	3,185	..	..	2,617
Total	48,522	..	..	41,961
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	4,728	..	..	2,766
Firewood	6,054	..	..	6,204
Timber	2,190	..	..	2,544
Grain	12,014	..	..	13,046
Merchandise	31,161	..	..	39,082
Minerals	26,529	..	..	23,865
Total	117,852	..	..	123,192
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	23,663 19 11	..	..	20,539 0 9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	3,882 4 2	..	..	3,513 14 11
Goods	40,099 13 7	..	..	41,893 6 10
Miscellaneous	908 0 6	..	..	1,046 17 11
Rents and Commission	773 16 7	..	..	690 8 1
Total	£69,327 14 9	..	..	£67,683 8 6

WESTLAND SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	670	1,130	1,800	690	974	1,604
2nd Class	4,451	8,522	12,973	4,783	7,626	12,409
Total	5,121	9,652	14,773	5,413	8,600	14,013
Season Tickets	22	..	..	28
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.			No.		
Parcels	1,135	..	..	1,201
Horses	32	..	..	16
Carriages	2	..	..	3
Dogs	34	..	..	55
Total	1,203	..	..	1,275
Goods,—	No.			No.		
Drays	4	..	..	4
Cattle	69	..	..	88
Calves	1	..	..	2
Sheep	317	..	..	504
Pigs	6	..	..	58
Total	397	..	..	656
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	150	..	..	84
Firewood	9	..	..	..
Timber	120	..	..	42
Grain	4,064	..	..	4,468
Merchandise	381	..	..	350
Minerals	1,143	..	..	1,366
Total	15,726	..	..	17,322
Total	21,593	..	..	23,632
REVENUE,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Passengers	1,063 13 10	..	..	987 9 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	133 9 11	..	..	116 3 10
Goods	4,058 5 9	..	..	4,407 14 1
Miscellaneous	128 4 3	..	..	229 4 3
Rents and Commission	33 4 4	..	..	16 14 0
Total	£5,416 18 1	..	..	£5,757 6 1

WESTPORT SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	22	34	56	8	82	90
2nd Class	1,335	3,916	5,251	1,571	3,958	5,529
Total	1,357	3,950	5,307	1,579	4,040	5,619
Season Tickets	..	..	3	..	..	2
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	408	..	..	320
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	6	..	..	9
Total	..	..	414	..	..	329
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	90	..	..	60
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	408	..	..	306
Timber	..	..	238	..	..	245
Grain	..	..	133	..	..	123
Merchandise	..	..	271	..	..	238
Minerals	..	..	41,413	..	..	38,739
Total	..	..	42,553	..	..	39,711
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	288 8 10	..	..	300 12 7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	30 1 8	..	..	31 3 0
Goods	..	..	5,225 15 3	..	..	5,067 9 11
Miscellaneous	..	..	206 7 6	..	..	196 4 9
Rents and Commission	..	..	10 0 0	..	..	9 9 0
Total	..	..	£5,760 13 3	..	..	£5,604 19 3

NELSON SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	127	1,198	1,325	118	1,032	1,150
2nd Class	2,113	7,736	9,849	1,898	6,280	8,178
Total	2,240	8,934	11,174	2,016	7,312	9,328
Season Tickets	..	..	17	..	..	23
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	374	..	..	368
Horses	..	..	10	..	..	2
Carriages	..	..	5	..	..	5
Dogs	..	..	26	..	..	30
Total	..	..	415	..	..	405
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	1	..	..	1
Cattle	..	..	11	..	..	11
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sheep	..	..	144	..	..	107
Pigs	..	..	9	..	..	13
Total	..	..	165	..	..	133

NELSON SECTION—continued.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
GOODS—continued.						
Chaff, Lime, &c.	30	..	..	54
Wool	39	..	..	107
Firewood	204	..	..	300
Timber	150	..	..	202
Grain	264	..	..	183
Merchandise	176	..	..	326
Minerals	236	..	..	215
Total	1,099	..	..	1,387
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	501 6 0	..	..	410 6 3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	38 19 0	..	..	34 10 7
Goods	450 7 2	..	..	572 2 8
Miscellaneous	41 18 0	..	..	34 8 2
Rents and Commission	20 4 8	..	..	5 13 0
Total	£1,052 14 10	..	..	£1,057 0 8

PICTON SECTION.

	1902.			1901.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	280	906	1,186	218	762	980
2nd Class	1,515	4,734	6,249	918	4,032	4,950
Total	1,795	5,640	7,435	1,136	4,794	5,930
Season Tickets	..	..	2	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	160	..	..	117
Horses	..	..	8	..	..	1
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	19	..	..	11
Total	..	..	187	..	..	129
GOODS,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	7	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	4	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	1,987	..	..	58
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	1,998	..	..	58
			Tons.			Tons.
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	318	..	..	408
Wool	..	..	189	..	..	46
Firewood	..	..	360	..	..	450
Timber	..	..	33	..	..	25
Grain	..	..	358	..	..	211
Merchandise	..	..	295	..	..	122
Minerals	..	..	304	..	..	269
Total	..	..	1,857	..	..	1,531
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	392 15 10	..	..	299 2 11
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	20 13 9	..	..	17 16 3
Goods	..	..	483 14 1	..	..	299 14 11
Miscellaneous	..	..	28 18 7	..	..	45 6 3
Rents and Commission	..	..	14 0 6	..	..	2 10 0
Total	..	..	£940 2 9	..	..	£664 10 4

A. C. FIFE,

Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1902-3.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the REVENUE and EXPENDITURE to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 6th December, 1902.

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,—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Kawakawa ..	8	125 7 0	1,319 1 8	159 0 0	1,703 5 9	129.13	238 3 4	307 10 9
Whangarei ..	23	1,734 4 6	12,932 13 6	725 10 6	6,394 13 3	49.45	812 3 11	401 11 11
Kaihu ..	17	569 11 6	3,917 1 0	327 2 3	2,855 9 3	72.90	332 16 5	242 12 5
Auckland ..	341	18,339 6 2	149,404 13 4	11,905 3 3	97,230 3 9	65.11	632 17 3	412 1 5
Gisborne-Karaka ..	13	174 2 10	881 2 2	88 6 0	578 17 3	65.70	175 10 11	115 6 7
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	466	44,219 0 0	324,983 19 9	29,124 1 8	252,072 0 1	77.56	1,031 10 1	800 1 8
Total ..	868	65,161 12 0	493,438 11 5	42,329 3 8	360,884 9 4	73.14		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,198	69,327 14 9	655,025 12 3	54,441 16 4	468,676 2 9	71.55	789 15 6	565 1 9
Westland ..	112	5,416 18 1	48,946 8 11	4,016 6 4	32,457 19 6	66.31	631 5 1	418 12 1
Westport ..	31	5,760 13 3	52,271 0 1	2,496 7 5	25,302 2 9	48.41	2,435 11 4	1,781 19 0
Nelson ..	33	1,052 14 10	8,895 16 0	660 15 11	9,694 15 7	108.98	389 7 7	424 7 0
Picton ..	34	940 2 9	7,848 6 8	1,096 12 10	7,900 18 6	100.67	474 11 0	477 14 7
Total ..	1,408	82,498 3 8	772,987 3 11	62,711 18 10	544,031 19 1	70.38		
Grand total ..	2,276	147,659 15 8	1,266,425 15 4	105,041 2 6	904,916 8 5	71.45		

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Kawakawa ..	8	155 0 11	1,241 7 6	161 16 0	1,270 3 9	102.32	224 2 9	229 6 9
Whangarei ..	23	1,425 12 3	10,812 2 11	676 8 1	6,197 12 2	57.32	679 0 5	389 4 5
Kaihu ..	17	903 9 9	6,981 19 1	411 14 1	3,963 10 9	56.77	593 4 9	336 15 5
Auckland ..	341	16,560 18 8	138,099 2 10	9,921 3 7	94,467 5 11	68.41	584 19 6	400 3 1
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ..	451	41,844 8 2	302,733 12 4	27,968 3 4	235,413 17 9	77.76	969 11 8	753 19 6
Total ..	840	60,889 9 9	459,868 4 8	39,139 5 1	341,312 10 4	74.22		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,198	67,683 8 6	662,483 9 8	39,829 15 0	448,968 18 9	67.77	806 12 5	546 13 0
Westland ..	112	5,757 6 1	49,383 5 1	3,165 10 1	29,993 15 3	60.74	636 17 9	386 16 6
Westport ..	31	5,604 19 3	45,401 16 11	2,289 11 7	21,268 1 4	46.84	2,115 10 0	990 19 9
Nelson ..	33	1,057 0 8	8,421 18 9	636 0 7	8,144 4 8	96.70	368 12 9	356 9 7
Picton ..	21	664 10 4	6,510 15 2	585 5 3	5,470 0 2	84.01	447 16 7	376 4 10
Total ..	1,395	80,767 4 10	772,201 5 7	46,506 2 6	513,845 0 2	66.54		
Grand total ..	2,235	141,656 14 7	1,232,069 10 3	85,645 7 7	855,157 10 6	69.41		

Railway Department, 6th January, 1903.

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

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC ON ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1902, to 6th December, 1902.

All Sections.	Passengers.					Season Tickets.	Number.					Number.					
	First Class.		Second Class.		Total.		Parcels.	Horses.	Carriages.	Dogs.	Total.	Drays, &c.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
	S.	R.	S.	R.	Total.												
1902	715,556	282,133	893,266	1,744,454	634,787	78,760	477,954	8,357	1078	23,100	510,489	1107	68,891	5,024	1,944,879	41,349	2,061,250
1901	183,201	548,892	978,806	2,679,096	4,389,985	69,608	446,733	7,858	1037	20,111	475,739	1027	52,335	4,055	1,357,854	37,801	1,453,072
Inc.	19,514	7,400	155,087	..	164,649	9,152	31,221	499	41	2,989	34,750	80	16,556	969	587,025	3,548	608,178
Dec.	..	..	..	17,352	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

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.
1902	91,502	0 0	40,843	12 0	72,346	0 0	294,971	14 0	546,067	14 0	414,776	8 0	1,107,253	15 0	2,567,761	3 0
1901	62,980	0 0	37,919	12 0	72,730	0 0	299,769	19 0	640,837	0 0	363,719	2 0	1,021,582	3 0	2,499,537	16 0
Increase	28,522	0 0	2,924	0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	51,057	6 0	85,671	12 0	68,223	7 0
Decrease	..	..	..	..	384	0 0	4,798	5 0	94,769	6 0	..	..	..	..	..	..

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1902, 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	92,488	0 0	22,403	0 0
Whangarei	174,182	0 0	2,693	0 0
Kaihu	70,829	0 0	..	..
Auckland	2,596,076	0 0	302,458	0 0
Gisborne-Karaka	..	..	59,950	0 0
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth	4,256,798	0 0	372,523	0 0
Wellington-Foxton (private line)	..	..	42,116	0 0
Surveys, North Island	..	..	24,557	0 0
Miscellaneous	..	..	5,169	0 0
Hurunui-Bluff	9,764,629	0 0	232,306	0 0
Greymouth Harbour Works	127,234	0 0	..	..
Westland	410,212	0 0	16,314	0 0
Ngahere-Blackball	..	..	117	0 0
Westport	220,773	0 0	..	..
Westport Harbour Works	14,111	0 0	..	..
Nelson	167,909	0 0	12,537	0 0
Picton	207,330	0 0	130,906	0 0
Stock, Permanent-way	..	..	58,258	0 0
Stock, A.O.L. Stores	43,151	0 0	..	..
Surveys, Middle Island	..	..	38,356	0 0
Miscellaneous	..	..	5,168	0 0
Stock in suspense	25,000	0 0	..	..
Total	18,170,722	0 0	1,325,831	0 0

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

Railway Department, 6th January, 1903.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of NOVEMBER, 1902, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	200	92	20	17	329	25	4	2	..	31
Queensland .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Victoria	491	140	21	27	679	112	60	9	5	186
New South Wales	1,134	456	81	84	1,755	419	180	34	27	660
Western Australia .. .. .	..	2	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
South Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania	52	24	4	4	84	24	12	..	..	36
Fiji	15	11	3	7	36	2	..	..	..	2
Other British possessions	12	2	..	..	14*	..	..	..	..	..
Pacific Islands	10	6	4	6	26†	10	12	1	..	23‡
Other foreign ports	50	32	4	3	89§	13	6	..	..	19||
Totals, November, 1902	1,964	765	139	148	3,016	605	274	46	32	957
Totals, November, 1901	1,684	742	159	132	2,717	713	293	51	53	1,110

* From Cape Town. † From Friendly Islands, 21; Navigators, 2; Sandwich, 2; Savage, 1. ‡ For Friendly Islands, 3 Society 7; Navigators, 12; New Caledonia, 1. § From United States of America, West Coast. || For United States of America, West Coast, 12; Monte Video, 7.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Auckland	768	112	575	305	880	310	30	230	110	340
Wellington	1,231	117	949	399	1,348	360	34	276	118	394
Lyttelton	2	1	1	2	3	1	..	..	1	1
Dunedin	21	..	10	11	21	..	..	..	..	..
Invercargill	707	57	568	196	764	208	14	145	77	222
Totals, November, 1902	2,729	287	2,103	913	3,016	879	78	651	306	957
Totals, November, 1901	2,426	291	1,843	874	2,717	1,006	104	764	346	1,110

CHINESE.—Departures from Wellington, 6.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 30th December, 1902.

GEO. DRURY,
Deputy Registrar-General.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE for Management during the Month of December, 1902.

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	Bailey, Marsh	Greytown	England	3 Dec., 1902	13 Nov., 1902	Relatives known.
2	Boyle, Thomas	Charleston	England	11 Dec., 1902	13 Nov., 1902	Relatives known.
3	Chamberlain, Robert Gow	Moana, Grey-mouth	.. .. .	3 Dec., 1902	28 July, 1902	Relatives known.
4	Dawe, Sampson	Waikaia	England	13 Dec., 1902	18 Nov., 1902	Relatives known.
5	Fuller, Frederick	Springston	England	20 Dec., 1902	11 Nov., 1902	Relatives known.
6	Howell, Frederick	Thames	England	11 Dec., 1902	20 July, 1902	Relatives known.
7	Hyman, James	Thames .. .. .	.. .. .	2 Dec., 1902	7 June, 1879	Relatives known.
8	Kelly, Thomas	Beaumont	Ireland	2 Dec., 1902	12 Aug., 1883	Relatives known.
9	Legg, Benjamin	Prebbleton	England	2 Dec., 1902	30 Oct., 1902	Relatives known.
10	Moore, John	Riverton .. .. .	.. .. .	3 Dec., 1902	27 Oct., 1902	Relatives known.
11	McGowan, Sarah Hannah	Lunatic Asylum, Porirua	Scotland	20 Dec., 1902	9 Oct., 1902	Relatives known.
12	McLernon, Joseph	Maruia	Ireland	20 Dec., 1902	3 Dec., 1902	Relatives known.
13	Prestney, Arthur	Waitui, Ingle-wood	.. .. .	20 Dec., 1902	22 Oct., 1902	Relatives known.
14	Smith, Mary Emily	Mount Albert, Auckland	England	13 Dec., 1902	3 Dec., 1902	Relatives known.
15	Stark, Peter Manuel	Caversham Rise	England	11 Dec., 1902	28 Oct., 1902	Relatives known.
16	Sweeney or Sweeny, James	Heddon Bush	Ireland	2 Dec., 1902	28 Aug., 1902	Relatives known.
17	Williams, Edward	Burnett's Face	.. .. .	2 Dec., 1902	4 Nov., 1902	Relatives known.

Dated the 7th day of January, 1903.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

"THE WEST COAST SETTLEMENT RESERVES ACT, 1892."

NOTICE TO NATIVE OWNERS and LESSEE of a MEETING to be held at the RESERVES AGENT'S OFFICE, HAWERA, at 10 o'clock a.m. on Thursday, the 29th January, 1903, to fix the Rent for a New LEASE to JAMES DAVIDSON of part of the Whareroa Reserve, in the Provincial District of TARANAKI, containing 311 acres (more or less), and known as "Opeke," being Land comprised in confirmed Lease No. 48.

TO Tikapa Tamaohungia, Taringa Tamaohungia, Puararenga, Nikorima, Pareraukawa, te Whenua, Koromako te Whenua, Tumaroro Pehimana, Kumirongo Pehimana, Tutenga Kani, Rahiri, Kunako, Te Ratoia, Wairaka, Te Ngaruru, Te Hau te ki, Panewai, Panenui (trustee, Pare Raukawa), Karoro, Rangitupoki, Whereorangi, Taumai Riroa, Patutu, Mowhaturi, Taiteariki, Te Hikaka Takirau, Marokopa, Kerei, Whaipakanga, Maraea Tamaki (trustee, Te Piki Tamaohungia), Te Oiroa (trustee, Te Piki Tamaohungia), Te Waka Taparuru, Tikapa, Te Hokio, Te Hokio Ngahuinga, Papaka Ngahauporoaka, Te Awarua, Tamaka, Weurangi, Tamawhero, Rangiwahia, Te Kokiri, Ripaka, te Wharepa, Waretini te Pohe, Hironona te Umairangi, Haipene Iharaia, Pita Heremaia, Puketete Heremaia, Te Rangitoitu, Erana Ringarau, Taumihiroa, Mawheturi, Parenu, Te Hikaka, Puararenga, Huatuhu, Te Urutonga, Tutu, Te Puamoeawa, Tunui Mininiki, Hemi, Mere Ngapaku, Rangiumu, Wi Poki, Haweturi, Maraea Haweturi (trustee, Haweturi), Pokere Haweturi (trustee, Haweturi), Taihuria Haweturi (trustee, Haweturi), Matangi-orupe, Totara, Te Motunui, Rourangi Tamahiri (trustees, Mangemanagerau and Tonga Awhikana), Turiakina, Moutoko, Haipene, Taringa (trustees, Rangipikitea and Tikapa Tamaohungia), Tikapa, Motunui, Te Pokaiatua, Te Waka, Whanaupunga, Erera Rotoia, Te Mutu, Rameka Ngarangitumana, Whiti Rerekau, Te Ua Rerekau, Rangihina, Rangiwanga, Te Kau Hauraranga, Toroa Pekamu, Toroa, Tukohu Niao, Ngarewarewa, Makurangitupoki, Muroa, Te Karanga, Te Rawaho, Te Kowhai, Te Pirihi, Te Rangirunga, Tuarea, Wharematc, Iwiaohia, Te Patukohu, Te Raroa, Te Araroa, Nihera Raukura, Te Muroa, Tare Tahua, Tarau, Ngarangi, Mauriri, Ngatau, Onetu, Rangitaniwha, Tekenui, Pureraukawa, Kimirongo, Maraea, Pokene, Taihuria, Mere, Hiru Haweture, Rehua Haweture, Puararenga, Tapahi, Pareraukawa, Komako, Puanui, Te Weu, Mahara, Tawhiti, Tamaka, Te Urutahi, Uruotonga, Te Ao Awarua, Te Rahurumai, Urutahi, Nihera Mininiki, Tumaroro, Tutenga, Kuraiti Opetawa, Mare Kite Uru Ariki Opetawa, Tioti Opetawa, Taumaihiroa, Ngapeita Taratuterangi, Ngapeita, Te Puroi, Rangiamohia, Pekihina, Rangiahuta, Kingi Tamakiterangi, Tetoru Tamakiterangi, Hori Tamakiterangi, Waina Tamakiterangi, Te Rawhiti (trustee Nga-kepa Tamakiterangi); Rangipaki, Kuraroa, Mahuri, Te Pirihi, Tukawanga, Hinekete, Mauriri Nukuhua, Whakawiria Tumahuiki, Te Kiri, Miriama Hinekora, Raukura, Okeroa Pehipehi, Te Mura Paenga, Roera, Te Kereama, Tukohu, Pua Mahurangi, Hineao, Eriwhata, Hone Pumpy, Rahirikau, Hinauri, Ngakawe, Te Kohu, Tioko, Mercana Hawaiki, Waikatere, Ngahua Raekahuri, Tinirau Ariki, Rongohurumanu, Tutepurangi, and the other Native owners of all that piece of land situate in the Provincial District of Taranaki, being portion of the Whareroa Reserve, and containing by admeasurement 311 acres (more or less), known as "Opeke," being the land comprised in confirmed lease No. 48, and to James Davidson, of Hawera.

Whereas the above-named James Davidson has given notice to me, under the provisions of section 8 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," that he desires to obtain under that section a new lease of the land above described; and I consider his application ought to be given effect to: Now, therefore, I do hereby appoint a meeting to take place between the said James Davidson and all the Native owners of the above-described land for the purpose of fixing the rent to be paid for the said land for the first twenty-one years of the new lease; and I fix the Reserves Agent's office, Hawera, as the place where, and Thursday, the 29th day of January, 1903, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, as the time when, such meeting shall take place.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1902.
J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that BENJAMIN SYMON, of Auckland, Produce Merchant, was this day adjudged bankrupt on a creditor's petition; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 29th day of December, 1902, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON,
23rd December, 1902. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ALEXANDER GEORGE WHEELER, of Gisborne, Carpenter and Undertaker, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of December, 1902, at 2.30 o'clock.

JOHN COLEMAN,
Gisborne, 16th December, 1902. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN INGLETON, of Kai-kora North, Clothier, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Napier, on Wednesday, the 14th day of January, 1903, at 11 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Napier, 5th January, 1903. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN LOCKHEAD BLAIR, of Methven, Contractor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 22nd day of December, 1902, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOHN DAVISON,
15th December, 1902. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that statements of accounts and balance-sheets in respect of the undermentioned estates, together with the report of the Audit Office thereon, have been duly filed in the above Court; and I hereby further give notice that at the sitting of the said Court to be holden on Tuesday, the 13th day of January, 1903, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1902.
Robert Fleck, Riverton, Threshing-mill Proprietor.
Ewen Matheson the younger, Otautau, Storekeeper.
Henry Hawson, Invercargill, Merchant.
Alexander Sutherland, Invercargill, Fancy-goods Dealer.
Donald Wood MacKay, Invercargill, Sawmiller.
Malachi Hanley, Gore, Hotelkeeper.
Benjamin Edwards and Son, Invercargill, Blacksmiths.
Benjamin Edwards, Invercargill, Blacksmith.
Herbert John Edwards, Invercargill, Blacksmith.
Charles William Brown, Invercargill, Accountant.
Lily Scott, Invercargill, Boardinghouse-keeper.
Henry Albert Parker, Matura, Contractor.
Jeremiah Finn, Nightcaps, Farmer.
Robert William Robson, Seaward Bush, Insurance Agent.
James Campbell, Spar Bush, Sawmill-hand.
George Merrie, Wallacetown, Butcher.
Henry Giles, Bluff, Labourer.
Michael John Prendeville, Nightcaps, Labourer.
James Reed Turnbull, Thornbury, Farmer.
CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

MINING NOTICES.

THE MONA DREDGING SPECIAL RIVER CLAIM COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

A GENERAL Meeting of shareholders will be held at the office of the Liquidator, 28, Lambton Quay, Wellington, on Friday, the 13th day of March, 1903, at 4 o'clock, to receive the report of the Liquidator and to wind up the company.

HENRY KEMBER,
24 Liquidator.

THE HOKITIKA JUNCTION DREDGING COMPANY
(LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above company, held at the registered office of the company, 139A, Hereford Street, Christchurch, on the 19th day of November, 1902, the following resolution was carried: "That the company be wound up voluntarily."

And at a subsequent meeting, held on 12th December, 1902, the said resolution was duly confirmed; and Mr. C. L. RUSSELL, of 139A, Hereford Street, Christchurch, was appointed Liquidator.

C. L. RUSSELL,
Liquidator.

139A, Hereford Street, Christchurch,
13th December, 1902.

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UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1898."

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE FOR A BRANCH
WATER-RACE.

To the Warden of the Otago Mining District, at Cromwell.

PURSUANT to "The Mining Act, 1898," the undersigned, the Cromwell District Hospital Contributors, of Cromwell, hereby apply for a license for a branch water-race, as specified in the Schedule hereto, the course whereof has been duly marked out for the purpose.

Date and number of miner's right: 3rd December, 1902; No. 32500.

Address for service: Care of A. M. Brodrick, Solicitor, Cromwell.

Dated at Cromwell, this 9th day of December, 1902.

SCHEDULE.

Locality of the race, and of its starting and terminal points: Starting at a point in Branch Race No. 30 (2/3/99), in Crown lands about 10 chains from William Clark's freehold land, thence towards said freehold land and going through same and crossing the Burnt Cottage Road, then through Rowe and Old's paddock, and terminating in the Old Hospital Race, No. 7833 (10/6/97).

Length and intended course of race: 12 chains; north to south.

Points of intake: Branch Race No. 30 (2/3/99), at a point in Crown lands 10 chains from W. Clark's paddock.

Estimated time and cost of construction: Fourteen days; £30.

Mean depth and breadth: 1 ft. deep, 2 ft. wide.

Number of heads to be carried: Three heads.

Purpose for which water is to be used: Mining, irrigation, and domestic.

Proposed term of license: Forty-two years.

THE CROMWELL DISTRICT HOSPITAL
CONTRIBUTORS,

(By their Solicitor, A. M. BRODRICK),
Applicants.

Precise time of filing of the foregoing application: 9th December, 1902, at 3.15 p.m.

Time and place appointed for the hearing of the application and all objections thereto: Thursday, 5th February, 1903, at 11 a.m., in the Warden's Court, Cromwell.

Objections thereto must be filed in the Registrar's Office and notified to applicants at least twenty-four hours before the day so appointed.

E. D. MOSLEY,
Mining Registrar.

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NOTICE.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and its amendments; and in the matter of the Four-River Plain 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 abovenamed company will be held at the office of the Liquidator, 11, Featherston Street, Wellington, on Monday, the 16th day of March, 1903, at 8 o'clock p.m., 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 Liquidator; and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company and of the Liquidator shall be disposed of.

JAMES W. JACK,
Liquidator.

Dated at Wellington, this 7th day of January, 1903. 27

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the White Star Gold-mining Company as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be the White Star Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Cabbage Bay, Coromandel.

3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 35 and 36, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

4. The value of the company's property, including claim (or lease ground) and machinery, is £2,500.

5. The number of shares in the company is 60,000, of 1s. each.

6. The number of shares subscribed for is 50,000.

7. The name of the manager is Roderick McDonald Scott.

8. The names, and addresses, and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as below:—

Jamieson, Andrew Nicholson, sen., Coromandel, Miner	2,500
Jamieson, Robert Edward, Coromandel, Schoolmaster ..	2,000
Jamieson, Andrew, jun., Coromandel, Miner ..	3,000
Fraser, Charles, Coromandel, Miner ..	5,000
Fraser, Colin, sen., Coromandel, Sawmill-owner ..	1,000
Bridson, John M., Coromandel, Storekeeper ..	1,000
Fernandez, Isaac, Coromandel, Storekeeper ..	1,000
Mellars, George J., Coromandel, Sharebroker ..	1,000
Horne, Frederick C. R., Coromandel, Settler ..	1,000
Jamieson, Robert Edward (in trust), Coromandel, Schoolmaster ..	1,000
Rhodes, Thomas William, Coromandel, Mining Agent ..	500
Wood, Francis D., Coromandel, Schoolmaster ..	500
McMillan, William, Coromandel, Engineer ..	500
Walker, Charles R., Coromandel, Solicitor ..	500
Carroll, Thomas, Coromandel, Hotelkeeper ..	500
McAuley, Donald, Coromandel, Miner ..	250
Mair, Sydney Arthur Robert, Hunterville, Surveyor ..	2,500
Meldrum, William, Hunterville, Solicitor ..	2,000
Perry, John F., Hunterville, Creamery-manager ..	500
Evans, William, Cabbage Bay, Settler ..	1,000
Grace, Martin, Cabbage Bay, Miner ..	1,000
Evans, John, Cabbage Bay, Farmer ..	500
Lennox, James Scott, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	3,000
Fraser, John Cameron, jun., Auckland, Traveller ..	1,000
Fraser, Colin, jun., Auckland, Student ..	1,000
Horrocks, Lindsay Brownlow, Auckland, Clerk ..	1,000
Hanna, Andrew, Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,000
Bonwick, Edwin Walter, Auckland, Mining Engineer ..	1,000
Frater, William, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	1,000
Dufaur, Percy, Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,000
A. Carrick and J. C. Colbeck, Auckland, Sharebrokers ..	1,000
Hudleston, Horace Palmer, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	1,000
Dufaur, Ernest Brothers, Auckland, Accountant ..	1,000
Brimblecombe, George Frederick, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	1,000
Colbeck, Wilfred B., Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,000
Newcomb, Neville, Auckland, Land Agent ..	1,000
Scott, John H., Auckland, Settler ..	1,000
Lennox, James Scott (in trust), Auckland, Sharebroker ..	1,500
Lewis, Henry, Auckland, Settler ..	500
Kershaw, Thomas, Auckland, Settler ..	300
Heather, William Norman, Auckland, Merchant ..	300
Barclay, Stephen, Auckland, Chemist ..	250
Williams, Emma, Auckland, Schoolmistress ..	250
Bell, Cyril Foster, Auckland, Traveller ..	250
Billing, Aubrey Field, Auckland, Land Agent ..	200
Markwick, Thomas, Auckland, Steward ..	200
Cameron, John C., Rotorua, Settler ..	500
The White Star Gold-mining Company (No Liability)	10,000
Total	60,000

R. McDONALD SCOTT, Manager.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1902.

Witness to signature—D. B. McDonald, J.P.

I, Roderick McDonald Scott, do solemnly and sincerely declare—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended company.

2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular.

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

R. McDONALD SCOTT.

Declared at Auckland, this 13th day of December, 1902, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 25

PERRETT'S JUNCTION LEAD GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and its amendments.

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the abovenamed company, duly convened, and held at the registered office of the company, Queen's Rooms, Crawford Street, Dunedin, on the 12th day of December, 1902, the following extraordinary resolution was duly passed, and at an extraordinary general meeting of the members of the abovenamed company, duly convened, and held at its registered office as aforesaid, the same resolution was duly confirmed, namely, "That the company be wound up voluntarily."

At such latter meeting WILLIAM EDWIN CHARLES REID, of Dunedin, Accountant, was appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.

W. E. C. REID,
Liquidator.

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THE GOLDEN LEAD GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Broadway, Reefton, to Bridge Street, Reefton.

Dated at Reefton, this 20th day of December, 1902.

JAMES THORBURN,
ROBERT DYKES,
Directors.

T. HUBERT LEE,
Manager.

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In the matter of the Royal Sovereign Gold-dredging Company (Limited).

AT an extraordinary general meeting of the abovenamed company, duly convened, and held at the registered office of the company, Dowling Street, Dunedin, on Friday, the 21st day of November, 1902, the following special resolution was duly passed, and at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting of the members of the said company, duly convened, and held at the same place on Friday, the 19th day of December, 1902, the following resolution was duly confirmed, namely, "That the company be wound up voluntarily."

And at such last-mentioned meeting JOHN FREDERICK BAILEY, of Dunedin, Accountant, was appointed Liquidator for the purpose of the winding-up.

Dated at Dunedin, this 24th day of December, 1902.

C. F. SUNDSTRUM,
Chairman.

Witness to signature—J. George L. Hewitt, Solicitor, Dunedin.

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THE TEVIOT GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

TAKE notice that an extraordinary general meeting of the abovenamed company was held at the registered office of the company, Bond Street, Dunedin, on Monday, the 15th day of December, 1902, at 8 o'clock p.m., when the subjoined resolutions, passed at an extraordinary general meeting of the company held on the 24th day of November last, were confirmed as special resolutions:—

1. That the Teviot Gold-dredging Company (Limited) be voluntarily wound up with a view to its reconstruction; and that Thomas Johnstone McKerrow be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator of the company for the purpose of such winding-up.

2. That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorised to enter into an arrangement with a new company about to be formed for the sale to it of the whole of the assets of this company, in consideration of the allotment of certain shares in the new company upon the terms of reconstruction set out in the circular enclosed herewith.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1902.

T. J. MCKERROW,
Liquidator.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on the 24th day of November, 1902, a special resolution was passed by the New Zealand Dredging Exploration Company (Limited) that the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of "The Companies Act, 1882," and such resolution was confirmed at an extraordinary general meeting of the company held on the 9th day of December, 1902.

And notice is further given that at such last-mentioned meeting WILLIAM ELLIOT, of Auckland, Accountant, was appointed the Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1902.

WM. ELLIOT,
Liquidator.

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THE ROYAL SOVEREIGN GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the creditors of the abovenamed company are required, on or before the 30th day of March, 1903, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors (if any), to JOHN FREDERICK BAILEY, of No. 31, Dowling Street, Dunedin, the Liquidator of the said company; and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 5th day of January, 1903.

J. GEORGE L. HEWITT,
Temple Chambers, Princes Street, Dunedin,
Solicitor for the Liquidator.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882"; and in the matter of the Golden Molyneux Gold-dredging Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the above company, held at the registered office of the company, Crawford Street, Dunedin, on Friday, the 5th December, 1902, at 8 o'clock in the evening, the following extraordinary resolution was 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."

A further resolution was passed at the above meeting appointing DAVID LESLIE, of Dunedin, Accountant, Liquidator of the said company for the purposes of such winding-up.

ROBT. IVIMEY,
Chairman.

Dated at Dunedin, this 18th day of December, 1902.

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THE WAIROA GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

AT an extraordinary general meeting of the abovenamed company, duly convened, and held at the Dunedin Stock Exchange Rooms, Princes Street, Dunedin, on Monday, the 15th day of December, the following extraordinary resolutions were passed:—

"(1.) That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the shareholders that this company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and accordingly that it is advisable to wind up the company voluntarily.

"(2.) That Mr. George Blyth, of Dunedin, Accountant, be and hereby is appointed Liquidator for the purposes of winding up the affairs of the company."

G. L. DENNISTON,
Chairman.

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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 for bidding the same within one month from the date of the Gazette containing this notice.

6857. FRANCIS THOMAS HASKINS.—1 acre 2 roods 30 perches, part of Rural Section 16, Block XV., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by William Vincent.

9415. JESSIE KEIR.—2 roods 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, part of Rural Section 385, Borough of Rangiora. Occupied by Applicant.

9428. JOSEPH JOHN HERRICK.—112 acres, Rural Sections 4727, 4754, and 6080, and part of 4698, Block V., Halswell Survey District. Occupied by George Gray.

9442. WILLIAM DUNN.—13 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, part of Rural Section 175, Borough of Linwood. Occupied by Applicant.

9443. REUBEN CLARIDGE.—4 acres, part of Rural Section 489, Block VI., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

9446. JAMES BEVAN.—50 acres, Rural Section 7117, Blocks IX. and X., Rangiora Survey District. Occupied by Edward Watkins.

9448. REBECCA READ.—27 perches, part of Lot 73, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 6th day of January, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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

978. SARAH JONES JACKSON.—Section 781, Town of New Plymouth; 1 rood 3⁵/₁₆ perches. Occupied by George Edward Mannering.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 1940).

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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

975. JOHN HAWKE.—Section 137, Hua and Waiwakaiko; 76 acres. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 1919).

Dated this 5th day of January, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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

No. 614. MARY ELLEN McCARTHY.—1 rood 4 perches, Sections 1467 and 1468, Town of Hokitika. Unoccupied.

No. 615. GEORGE AUGUSTUS FERENS.—19⁷/₁₆ perches, part Section 263, Town of Greymouth. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1902, at the Lands Registry Office, Hokitika.

VICTOR GRACE DAY,
District Land Registrar.

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

DAVID GEORGE DAVIDSON, FRANK DRAYTON BAMFIELD, and ROBERT LAING.—1 rood (more or less), being Section 14, Block LVIL, Town of Invercargill. Occupied by Ellen Timpany. No. 2822.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

W. WYINKS,
District Land Registrar.

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

Allotment 8a, Taipo Hill Estate, Oamaru District.—THOMAS TESCHEMAKER, ELIZA JEANETTE TESCHEMAKER, and LATHAM OSBORN BEAL, Applicants. Occupied by Thomas Jackman. No. 4519.

Part of Section 384, Town of Port Chalmers.—ELIZA McINNIS, Applicant. Occupied by James Macfarlane. No. 4521.

Part of Section 397, Town of Port Chalmers.—JAMES MACFARLANE, Applicant. Occupied as a right-of-way. No. 4522.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1902, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 9th day of February, 1903.

3302. The Hon. CHARLES JOHN JOHNSTON.—15⁴/₁₆ perches, part of Section 607A, City of Wellington. Occupied by Josias Alexander Chancellor McEldowney.

3304. JOSEPH PLACID WILLIS.—24³/₁₆ perches, part of Section 1007, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

3306. THE NEW ZEALAND ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY.—16⁷/₁₆ perches, Section 31, Reclaimed Land, City of Wellington. Occupied by tenants of the Applicant Company.

3314. JOHN STEVENS and FREDERICK AUGUSTUS KRULL.—1 acre, Town Section 107, Town of Wairoa. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of JOHN MASTERS for Sections 263, 264, 265, 266, and 333, Plan 152, Township of Ashhurst, being the land in certificate of title, Vol. lxi., folio 13, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said certificate of title, I hereby give notice that I will issue the provisional certificate of title as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 22nd January, 1903.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

PRIVATE ADVERTISEMENTS.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and its amendments; and in the matter of the Hastings Co-operative Meat Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the creditors of the abovenamed company are required, on or before the 16th day of February, 1903, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to ROBERT BRATHWAITE, of Hastings, the Liquidator of the said company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims, at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 3rd day of January, 1903.

LOGAN, WILLIAMS, AND WHITE,

of Hastings,

Solicitors to the abovenamed Liquidator.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE LAND.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," "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 abovementioned Acts, to execute a certain public work—namely, the widening of Riddiford Street, in the said city—and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is hereby further given that a plan of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the public office of the Town Clerk to the said Council, situate at the corner of Brandon Street and Featherston Street, in the said city, and is open for inspection, without fee, by all persons during ordinary office hours; and that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of such land should, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing within forty days from the first publication of this notice to the Town Clerk, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Coloured on Plan	Situated in the
A. R. P. 0 0 20.6	963	Green border	City of Wellington.

(Being exclusive of the 10.4 perches shown on the said plan as already acquired.)

In the Land District of Wellington; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan above mentioned.

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this 23rd day of December, 1902.

JNO. R. PALMER,
Town Clerk.

LAND TAKEN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILWAY AUTHORISED TO BE CONSTRUCTED.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of all powers and authorities vested in the Westport Harbour Board under "The Westport Harbour Board Act, 1884," "The Railways Authorisation Act, 1885," "The Public Works Act, 1894," and the amendments thereto, and of all other powers and authorities in that behalf, the said Westport Harbour Board, having given all notices and performed all acts required to be given and performed, doth hereby proclaim that from and after the date of the publication hereof the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the construction of a railway or public work within the meaning of the said Acts.

Given under the seal of the Westport Harbour Board, and under the hand of James Suisted, Chairman of the said Board, this 18th day of December, 1902.

JAMES SUISTED,
Chairman.

THE SCHEDULE HEREINBEFORE REFERRED TO.

All that the land required for the Westport Harbour Board Cape Foulwind Railway, being the several parcels mentioned in the list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Section or Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the District of
A. R. P.			
7 3 11	Crown land	111	Kaw. S.D.
12 0 19	"	11	Steep. S.D.
12 2 17	"	11	"
0 2 11	"	11 Road	"
17 2 26	"	11	"
0 1 1	"	11	"
8 3 8	"	11	"
0 1 0	"	11 Road	"
5 0 8	"	11	"
10 0 14	"	11	"
1 0 27	Portion 2 ..	11	"
0 1 6	Crown land	11 Road	"
2 2 28	"	11	"
3 3 10	Portion 1 ..	11	"
27 2 13	Portion 11	1	"
0 0 37	"	1 Road	"
4 2 1	Portion 6 ..	Sq. 142	"
2 2 37	Portion 2 ..	1	"
1 2 22	Portion 1 ..	1	"
15 1 9*	"	..	"
4 1 14†	"	..	"

* Crown land reserved from Section 8 at time of survey of that section, 1 Steeples Survey District.

† Crown land reserved from Village of Omapu, 1 Steeples Survey District.

All in the Provincial District of Nelson; and the same are more particularly delineated on the plan (or plans) deposited in the office of the Westport Harbour Board, at Westport, in the Provincial District of Nelson, and thereon coloured red, purple, orange. 12

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NOTICE is hereby given by the Invercargill Town Council, acting as the New River Harbour Board, that there is in the New River Harbour a sandbank or shoal situated about 25 yards to the south of the Invercargill wharf or jetty. It extends from the training-wall westward to the bank of the channel or fairway for vessels a distance of about 30 yards, and has a width of about 22 yards. It has about 9 ft. of water over it at high water and 3 ft. at low water, ordinary tides. Masters of vessels berthing at the wharf will please take notice of this.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.

WM. YOUNG,
Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices, Invercargill. 18

I, JOSEPH LIVINGSTONE FRAZER-HURST, Bachelor in Arts, Medicine, and Surgery, and Doctor of Medicine of the University of Durham, England, now residing in Wellington, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 9th day of February, 1903, to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar-General.

J. L. FRAZER-HURST.

Dated at Wellington, this 7th day of January, 1903. 28 6

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, in Dunedin and Wellington, under the style of "Barr, Leary, and Co.," will be dissolved by effluxion of time on the 31st December, 1902.

All moneys owing to and payable by the firm will be received and paid in Dunedin by Mr. BARR and in Wellington by Mr. LEARY.

The Wellington business will be taken over and continued by Mr. LEARY, under the style of "Barr, Leary, and Co."

The accountancy business in Dunedin will be taken over and continued by Mr. BARR, under the style of "Barr, Leary, and Co."

The sharebroking business in Dunedin will be taken over and continued by Mr. LAWSON in his own name.

PETER BARR.

S. C. LEARY.

J. N. LAWSON.

Witness to all signatures—J. R. Sinclair, Solicitor, Dunedin.

Dunedin, 18th December, 1902. 16

WAIRARAPA SOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

In the matter of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," section 11.

IT is hereby notified that the Council of the County of Wairarapa South has, by special order duly passed the 26th day of November, 1902, and confirmed the 27th day of December, 1902, ordered that the Taratahi-Carterton Road Board shall be dissolved and the Taratahi-Carterton Road District shall be merged in the Wairarapa South County; such merger to take effect from and after the 15th day of January, 1903.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 1903.

H. R. BUNNY,

20 Chairman, Wairarapa South County Council.

THE HASTINGS CO-OPERATIVE MEAT COMPANY (LIMITED).

AT an extraordinary general meeting of the members of the abovenamed company, duly convened, and held at the Borough Council Chambers, Heretaunga Road, Hastings, on Wednesday, the 26th day of November, 1902, the subjoined special resolution was duly passed; and at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting of the members of the said company, also duly convened, and held at the same place on Monday, the 15th day of December, 1902, the said resolution was duly confirmed:—

"That the Hastings Co-operative Meat Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of 'The Companies Act, 1882,' and its amendments."

And at such last-mentioned meeting Mr. ROBERT BRATHWAITE, of Hastings, was appointed Liquidator for the purposes of the winding up.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1902.

THOMAS CROSSE,

Chairman.

Witness to signature of Thomas Crosse—W. J. Stratton, Accountant, Hastings. 26

"THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1882."—CANCELLING OF REGISTRY OF BRANCHES.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 31st December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registrar of Friendly Societies has, pursuant to section 10 of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," by writing under his hand dated this 31st day of December, 1902, cancelled the registry of the Invercargill Branch, Registered No. 198 (4), and the Hokitika Branch, Registered No. 198 (20), of the New Zealand District Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society, on the ground that the said branches have ceased to exist.

GEO. LESLIE,

Registrar.

"THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1882."—CANCELLING OF REGISTRY OF A BRANCH.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 30th December, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registrar of Friendly Societies has, pursuant to section 10 of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," by writing under his hand dated this 30th day of December, 1902, cancelled the registry of the St. Patrick's (Rangiora) Branch of the New Zealand District Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society, Registered No. 198 (23), on the ground that the said branch has ceased to exist.

GEO. LESLIE,

Registrar.

NOTICE OF CLOSING A ROAD UNDER SECTION 123 OF "THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1894," AND AMENDMENTS THEREOF.

PUBLIC notice is hereby given that the Whangarei County Council intend, under the provisions of section 123 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," to close all that parcel of land, containing 2 acres 1 rood 24 perches, hereto used as a road, traversing portion of Raumanga No. 1 Block, and coloured green on a plan now deposited in the office of the said Council at Whangarei, and that the said Council have caused a plan to be prepared showing the road intended to be closed, and the new road to be taken in lieu thereof, and the altered line of such road proposed to be closed, and that such plans are deposited as aforesaid, and are open for inspection of all persons at all reasonable hours; and all persons affected are hereby called upon to set forth in writing any well-grounded objection they may have to the closing of such road or the proposed alteration, within four weeks from the first publication of this notice, to the said Council at their office aforesaid.

Dated at Whangarei, this 19th day of December, 1902.

J. MCKINNON,
County Clerk.

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NOTICE OF TAKING LAND UNDER "THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1894," AND AMENDMENTS THEREOF.

PUBLIC notice is hereby given that the Whangarei County Council intend to take for a public work, to wit, the construction and deviation of a new portion of road, all that portion of land, containing 3 acres 3 roods 14 perches, more or less, being parts of Allotment 50 of the Parish of Whangarei, and known as Meldrum's Hill, as coloured red on the plans deposited in the post-office at Kamo and in the County Office, Whangarei: And further notice is hereby given that the plans of the said land required to be taken are open for inspection where deposited as aforesaid at all reasonable hours; and all persons affected by such work are called upon within forty days from the first publication of this notice to set forth in writing to the said Council any well-grounded objections they may have to such work or the taking of such lands within the meaning of section 17 of "The Public Works Act, 1894."

Dated at Whangarei, this 19th day of December, 1902.

J. MCKINNON,
County Clerk.

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NORMANBY TOWN DISTRICT.

RATING ON CAPITAL VALUE.—RESULT OF THE POLL.

PROPOSAL that the adoption of "The Rating on Unimproved Value Act, 1896," in the Normanby Town District, be rescinded.

Notice is hereby given that the Poll of Ratepayers taken on the 10th instant resulted as follows:—

Number of votes on roll	129
Number of votes exercisable	129
Number of voters who voted	64
Number of votes for proposal	23
Number of votes against proposal	38
Number of votes informal	3
Majority of votes against proposal	15

I therefore declare the proposal rejected.

WILLIAM ROWE,
Chairman.

Normanby, 16th December, 1902.

Liquidators, and to pass a resolution as to the disposal of the books, accounts, and other documents of the company.
Dated this 9th day of December, 1902.

W. P. CURRIE,
J. L. STEVENSON,
E. HOWE,
JOHN STEVENSON, } Liquidators.
FR. AUG. KRULL,
JOHN NOTMAN,

Witness to the signatures of the abovenamed Liquidators
—Saml. T. Fitzherbert, Solicitor, Wanganui. 1233

THE BENDER BURN GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of shareholders in this company will be held at Noonin's Hotel, Miller's Flat, on Saturday, the 14th day of February, 1903, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Liquidator's accounts showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted, and of passing a resolution as to the disposal of the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the Liquidator thereof.

Dated at Roxburgh, this 12th day of December, 1902.

WILLIAM BURTON,
Liquidator.

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