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Land taken for a Road in Block VII., Waitakerei Survey District (Karangahape Parish), Auckland Land 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 land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Waitemata 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 Karangahape Parish hereinafter described, that is to say,--

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Portion of Section No.	Parish of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 3 23	S.E. pn. 45	Karanga-hape	VII.	Waita-kerei	12761	Red.

In the Auckland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the District Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Auckland, in the Auckland 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 ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming a Road as closed in Waitakerei Survey District (Karangahape Parish), Auckland Land 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 Karangahape Parish hereinafter described, that is to say,--

Approximate Area of Road closed.	Passing through Section No	Parish of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 14	S.E. pn. 45	Karanga-hape	VII.	Waita-kerei	12761	Green.

In the Auckland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above noted, deposited in the District Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Auckland, in the Auckland 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 ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

ERRATUM.—In the descriptions of parts of Sections Nos. 116 and 123, Town of Featherston, contained in the Schedules to Orders in Council (1) bringing an addition to Featherston Domain under "The Public Domains Act, 1881," and (2) delegating powers to the Featherston Domain Board under the said Act, published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 86, of the 12th November, 1903, pages 2371 and 2374 respectively, for "Bell Street" read "Harrison Street."

Additional Land in the Borough of Palmerston North taken for the Purposes of the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway to take further land in the Borough of Palmerston North, 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 parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Part of	Situated in the Borough of
A. R. P. 0 0 0.64	The Public Square	Palmerston North.

In the Land District of Wellington; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked 9751, deposited in the office of the Minister for Railways, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured green.

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 eighth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

J. G. WARD,
Minister for Railways.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Resuming Land held under Lease for the Purpose of a State Forest.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and twenty-five of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor in Council may, by Proclamation, resume possession of any land leased under Part III. of the said Act which in his opinion is required for any public purpose:

And whereas the land described in the Schedule hereto forms part of land which is held under occupation with right of purchase from His Majesty the King under Part III. of the said Act, dated the fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required for a public purpose—that is to say, for the purpose of a State forest:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Land Act, 1892," and of all other powers and authorities in anywise enabling me in this behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby proclaim and declare that I hereby resume possession of the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto for the public purpose hereinbefore mentioned, the same being part of the land held under occupation with right of purchase as aforesaid; and do also hereby proclaim and declare that this Proclamation shall take effect on the thirty first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,230 acres, more or less, being Section No. 4 (part of original Section No. 3), Block XI., Opaku

Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 4, Block VI., and Section No. 3, Block VII., of said district; towards the east by Section No. 4, Block VII., and Section No. 3, Block XI., of said district; towards the south by Small Grazing-run No. 10, Block XI., of said district; and towards the west by Section No. 2, Block X., and Section No. 3, Block VI., of said district: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49971, deposited in the Head Office, 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 Auckland, this tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands

Approved in Council.
F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Gravel-pit, Section 16, Block I., Mangaone Survey District, Eketahuna County.

(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 gravel-pit in Section 16, Block I., Mangaone Survey District:

And whereas an agreement has been entered into with the owners of the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto to take such land for the public work hereinafter set forth:

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 purposes of the said gravel-pit in Mangaone Survey District.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Part of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 0 0	16	I.	Mangaone	R. 4955	Red.

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.

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 twelfth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands in Southland 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 eighth day of June, 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.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—LONGWOOD VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.
			A. R. P.
61	V.	Longwood ..	34 1 21
9	VII.	" ..	43 0 35
11	"	" ..	43 3 8
2	VIII.	" ..	24 2 17
16	XI.	" ..	32 0 16
17	"	" ..	29 3 22

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 eleventh day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Resuming Land in Canterbury Land District, held under Pastoral License, for the Purposes of Public Recreation.

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

WHEREAS by section one hundred and twenty-five of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor in Council may, by Proclamation, resume possession of any land leased under Part VI. of the said Act which in his opinion is required for any public purpose:

And whereas the land described in the Schedule hereto forms part of land which is held under pastoral license from His Majesty the King under Part VI. of the said Act, dated the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, the said land described in the said Schedule is required for a public purpose—that is to say, for the purpose of public recreation:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Land Act, 1892," and of all other powers and authorities in anywise enabling me in this behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby proclaim and declare that I hereby resume possession of the land described in the Schedule hereto for the public purpose hereinbefore mentioned, the same being part of the land held under pastoral license as aforesaid; and do also hereby proclaim and declare that this Proclamation shall take effect on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 25 acres and 13 perches, more or less, being Section No. 3661 (in red), Block II., Lyndon Survey District. Bounded towards the west by a line in continua-

tion of the eastern boundary of Lot 22, Hanmer Plains Reserve, and running northerly 1 chain; thence at a right angle bearing 84° 11', 1728 links; thence by a line bearing 17° 41', 1391 links; thence by a line bearing 84° 11', 1700 links; thence by a line bearing 197° 41', 1500 links; and returning to the starting-point by a line bearing 264° 11' along the northern boundary of Hanmer Plains Reserve. 3384.6 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51410, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, 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 Auckland, this tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Approved in Council.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for a Road in Block I., Mid-Wakatipu Survey District, Lake County.

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

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, for the purpose of a road through Block I., Mid-Wakatipu Survey District:

And whereas an agreement has been entered into with the owner of the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto to take such lands for the public work hereinafter set forth:

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 lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are hereby taken for the purposes of the said road in Mid-Wakatipu Survey District.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portions of Sections	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 3 23	11	I.	Mid-Wakatipu	R. 1591	Red.
2 0 19	12	"	Ditto ..	"	"

In the Otago 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 twelfth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Land in Mangawhero Road 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 Mangawhero Road District hereinafter described.

Approximate Area of the Portion of Road closed.	Being through	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 25.9	Pukohu Block	IX.	Mangawhero	R. 806a	Green

In the Wellington Land District; as the same is more particularly 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 twelfth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for a Road, Mangawhero Road District.

(L.S.)

RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," and its amendments, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owners and mortgagee of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Mangawhero Road Board, 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 Mangawhero Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 36	Kaiwaka Block	IX.	Mangawhero	R. 806	Red
0 0 5	River	"	"	"	"
0 0 4	"	"	"	R. 806a	"
0 0 5.3	Pokohu Block	"	"	"	"
0 0 17.9	"	"	"	"	"

All in the Wellington Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on 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.

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 twelfth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Validating an Irregularity in the Special Order making a Special Rate as the Security for a Proposed Loan of £2,150 applied for by the Waipawa County Council to form and metal 445 chains of the Pukokomuka Road, under Section 10 of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Waipawa County Council lately proposed to raise a loan of two thousand one hundred and fifty pounds for forming and metalling four hundred and forty-five chains of the Pukokomuka Road: And whereas a special order making a special rate was made as the security for the said loan, but the notice to confirm such special order, though published in each of four consecutive weeks, was not publicly notified in each of the four weeks immediately following the meeting at which the resolution making such special order was adopted, as required by subsection three of section one hundred and twenty-four of "The Counties Act, 1886": And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled, and it is expedient to validate such irregularity:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by the tenth section of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," doth hereby validate the notifications of the said special order, and doth hereby declare that such public notifications and such special order shall be deemed and taken to be as valid to all intents and purposes as though the said special order had been regularly made and notified in accordance with subsection three of section one hundred and twenty-four of "The Counties Act, 1886"; and, further, that no proceedings taken in relation to the said special order and notifications or subsequent thereon shall be deemed to be insufficient or irregular by reason only of the insufficiency or the irregularity of such special order or the public notifications of such order respectively.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

"The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902."—Validating Irregularities in the Procedure re Passing of Five Resolutions striking the Special Rates as Security for Loans applied for by the Moa Road Board.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Moa Road Board lately proposed to raise, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the five undermentioned loans—namely, £250 loan for the construction of John's Road; £200 loan for the construction of Salisbury Road; £200 loan (being ten per centum on £2,000 loan) to metal Tariki Road; £120 loan to form Derby Road North; £200 loan to form Derby Road South: And whereas a resolution of the Board's intention to make a special order striking a special rate was made in each case as the security for each loan: And whereas the meeting to pass the resolution in each case was called for the fourth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and three, but owing to the want of a quorum the said meeting was adjourned to the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine and three: And whereas section sixty-nine of "The Road Boards Act, 1882," enacts that the Board may adjourn such meeting to another day not later than seven days thereafter: And whereas a period of fourteen days intervened between the date fixed for such meeting and the date to which the same was adjourned: And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled, and it is expedient to validate such irregularity:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the tenth section of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," doth hereby validate such irregular adjournments of the said meetings, and doth hereby declare that

such adjournments of the meetings shall be deemed and taken to be as valid to all intents and purposes as though the said meetings had respectively been regularly adjourned in accordance with section sixty-nine of "The Road Boards Act, 1882"; and, further, that no proceedings taken in relation to the said irregularly adjourned meetings shall be deemed to be irregular by reason only of the said adjournments for fourteen days as aforesaid.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Reducing to 1s. the Pound the Duty on Manufactured Tobacco imported into the Cook and other Islands where the Invoice Value at the Time of Importation does not exceed 1s. the Pound.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon him by "The Cook and other Islands Government Act Amendment Act, 1902," and "The Cook and other Islands Government Act Amendment Act, 1903," 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, doth hereby modify the New Zealand Customs tariff in its application to goods imported into the Cook and other islands aforesaid by declaring and directing that the duty on manufactured tobacco imported into the Cook and other islands aforesaid, on and after the tenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three, shall be one shilling the pound (in lieu of three shillings and sixpence the pound as fixed by "The Customs and Excise Duties Act, 1888") where the Collector is satisfied that the genuine invoice value at the time of importation does not exceed one shilling the pound.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations under Explosives Acts for the Importation, Storage, and Use of "Cheddite" in the Colony of New Zealand.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers conferred by "The Explosives Act, 1882," and "The Explosives Act Amendment Act, 1897," 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, did for the purposes of the said Acts make the regulations referred to in the First Schedule hereto: And whereas it is expedient to make regulations respecting the importation into the colony of the explosive known as "cheddite," as the same is defined in the Second Schedule hereto, and for the storage and use of such explosive within the colony:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the said Acts, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, 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 for the purposes of the said Acts, doth hereby make the regulations following, that is to say:—

REGULATIONS.

1. These regulations, as also the regulations firstly and secondly referred to in the First Schedule hereto, shall be read together.
2. The explosive known as "cheddite," as defined in the Second Schedule hereto, shall be deemed to be an explosive within Class 4, Division 2, of the regulations firstly referred to in the First Schedule hereto; and the regulations firstly and secondly referred to in the said First Schedule shall be read and construed accordingly.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Regulations heretofore made.

First.—Regulations dated 6th June, 1898, and gazetted 16th idem, classifying and defining explosives, and providing for their importation.

Second.—Regulations dated 8th January, 1900, and gazetted 11th idem, providing for the inspection, manufacture, and storage of explosives.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Definition and Classification of "Cheddite."

Class 4, Division 2.

"Cheddite": Consisting of a mixture of finely powdered chlorate of potassium thoroughly incorporated with nitro-naphthalene and di-nitro-toluene, both thoroughly purified, and castor-oil, and with or without the addition of well-washed starch: provided that the proportion of castor-oil amounts to not less than 5 per cent., and the combined proportion of nitro-naphthalene and di-nitro-toluene to not less than 15 per cent, by weight of the finished explosive: the whole to be of such character and consistency as not to be liable to liquefaction, exudation, or seccation.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

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Consenting to closing Road in Anama Road District.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

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 Anama Road Board has applied for such consent in respect to 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 Anama Road Board closing the road mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of Road to be closed.	Passing through or abutting on Sections	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 6 3 22	29109, pt. 28977, pt. 23334	XIV.	Alford ..	R. 4992	Green
1 2 23	Pt. 23334 ..	XIV.	" ..	"	
3 2 3	R.S. 29819 ..	"	" ..	"	

All in the Canterbury Land District; as the same are more particularly 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.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Mount Arthur Road, Akitio County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that the road known as the Mount Arthur Road, in the Akitio County, described in the Schedule hereto, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Akitio River Road, on the bank of the Akitio River, and proceeding thence along the said river-bank in a westerly direction to its confluence with a stream known as the Rakaupuhipuhi Stream, in Block VII., Mount Cerberus Survey District, in the County of Akitio; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured purple and marked N.L. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Portion of Road known as the Makuri-Pongaroa Road, in the Pahiatua County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," 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 order and declare that the portion of the Makuri-Pongaroa Road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Makuri Township, in Block XIV., Makuri Survey District; proceeding thence generally south-easterly to a point opposite the north-western boundary of Section 28, Block III., Aohanga Survey District, on top of the dividing range known as The Puketois, about two miles from Mount Butters, in the Pahiatua County: as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², and deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and coloured blue and marked E.F. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Portion of Alfredton-Weber Road, in the County of Patangata, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," 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 order and declare that the portion of the Alfredton-Weber Road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Hawke's Bay Land District, commencing at its junction with the Wellington Land District, at the south-eastern boundary of Section 16, Block VI., Weber Survey District, and proceeding thence generally northerly to its junction with Gordon's Road, in the Township of Weber, situated in Block V. of the Weber Survey District, in the County of Patangata; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured scarlet lake and marked A.B.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring the Akitio River Road, in the Akitio County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that the road known as the Akitio River Road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Alfredton-Weber Road, at the northern boundary of Section 7, Block VI., Mount Cerberus Survey District, and proceeding thence along the Akitio River until it junctions with the Mount Arthur Road; thence generally westerly direction to its junction with the Kawakawa Road, on the northern boundary of Section 9, Block VII., Mount Cerberus Survey District, in the County of Akitio: as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured yellow and marked K.N.M. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Road known as the Makairo-Kumeroa Road, Woodville County, a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that the road known as the Makairo-Kumeroa Road, described in the Schedule hereto, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

MAKAIRO-KUMEROA ROAD.

ALL that road in the Hawke's Bay Land District, commencing at its junction with the Awapikopiko Road, at a corner in the north-east boundary of Section 37, Block XIII., Tahoraiti Survey District, at a peg marked LXVI., and proceeding thence generally north-westerly to peg marked I. in the above-mentioned section, and thence south-westerly to its junction with the boundary-line between the Hawke's Bay and Wellington Land Districts, and terminating at a peg marked XXIV. in Section 24, Block XIII., Tahoraiti Survey District, and known as an educational reserve; the whole of the said road being in the Woodville County: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured scarlet lake, and marked A.B. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Portions of the Alfredton-Weber Road, in the County of Masterton, to be County Roads.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other

powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that those portions of the Alfredton-Weber Road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be county roads.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at a point opposite the south-western boundary of Section 28, Block IV., Puketoi Survey District, and Section 8, Block V., Aohanga Survey District, and proceeding thence generally south-westerly to a creek known as the Deep Creek, in Section 48, Block VII., Puketoi Survey District, in the County of Masterton; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and coloured scarlet lake, and marked ZZ, C, thereon.

Also, all that portion of road in the Wellington Land District, commencing where it crosses a creek known as the Deep Creek, in Section 48, Block VII., Puketoi Survey District, and proceeding thence generally south-westerly to where it crosses a creek known as the Waitawhiti Stream, on the north-eastern boundary of Section 137, Block X., Puketoi Survey District, in the County of Masterton; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and coloured scarlet lake, and marked C.D. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Roads known as Wharau-Kaiwhata Road and Driscoll's Road, in the Wairarapa South County, to be County Roads.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," 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 order and declare that the roads described in the Schedule hereto, known as the Wharau-Kaiwhata and Driscoll's Roads, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be county roads.

SCHEDULE.

WHARAU-KAIWHATA ROAD.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Gladstone-Wainuioru Road, in Section 269, Block 8, Wainuioru Survey District, and proceeding thence generally easterly to the mouth of the Kaiwhata River, at the north-eastern portion of Section 30, Block 7, Kaiwhata Survey District, in the Wairarapa South County; as the said road is more particularly delineated on the plan marked R. 5161c, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured scarlet, and marked A.B.

Also, all that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Wharau-Kaiwhata Road, in Section 249, Block 7, Wainuioru Survey District, and proceeding thence generally southerly to the south-eastern corner of Section 279, Block 11, Wainuioru Survey District, in the Wairarapa South County; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked R. 5161c, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured green, and marked C.D. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Portions of the Alfredton-Weber Road, in the County of Akitio, to be County Roads.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that those portions of the Alfredton-Weber Road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be county roads.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Hawke's Bay Land District, at the north-eastern boundary of Section 1, Block III., Mount Cerberus Survey District, and proceeding thence generally south-westerly to its junction with the Pongaroa-Makuri and the Pongaroa-Aohanga Roads, in Pongaroa Township, Block IX., Mount Cerberus Survey District, in the Akitio County.

Also, all that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Makuri-Pongaroa and the Pongaroa-Aohanga Roads, in Pongaroa Township, Block IX., Mount Cerberus Survey District, and proceeding thence generally south-westerly to a point opposite the south-western boundary of Section 28, Block IV., Puketoi Survey District, and Section 8, Block V., Aohanga Survey District.

All in the Akitio County; as the same are delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured scarlet lake, and marked A.B. ZZ. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Part of Road known as Makuri-Pongaroa Road, in the Akitio County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that the portion of the Makuri-Pongaroa Road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at a point opposite the north-western boundary of Section 28, Block III., Aohanga Survey District, on the top of the dividing range known as The Puketois, two miles or thereabouts from Mount Butters, and proceeding generally north-easterly to the junction of the Waihi Road; thence generally south-easterly to its junction with the Alfredton-Weber Road, south of the Pongaroa Township, in Block IX., Mount Cerberus Survey District, in the County of Akitio; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and coloured blue and marked F.X.G.B. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring the Waihi-Akitio Road, in Akitio County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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, doth hereby order and declare that the road known as the Waihi-Akitio Road, described in the Schedule hereto, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Waihi Road, at the south-western corner of Section 4B, Block II., Mount Cerberus Survey District; proceeding thence generally westerly to its junction with the Alfredton-Weber Road, opposite the south-eastern boundary of Section 13A, Block III., Mount Cerberus Survey District, in the Akitio County; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161², deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured green and marked I.J. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring the Mangahua Road, Akitio County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," 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 order and declare that the Mangahua Road, described in the Schedule hereto, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Pongaroa-Aohanga Road at peg marked CXC. on the southern side of the Aohanga River, in Section 1, Mataikona Native Reserve, Block XII., Aohanga Survey District, and proceeding thence generally northerly until it crosses the said river, and from thence generally in a northerly direction to its junction with the Akitio River Road in Section 100, Block XI., Mount Cerberus Survey District, the whole of the said road being in the county known as the Akitio County; as the same road is more particularly delineated on the plan marked R. 5161, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and coloured brown and marked A.B. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring the Road known as McLeod's Road, Akitio County, to be a County Road.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excel-

lency 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 order and declare that the road known as McLeod's Road, described in the Schedule hereto, shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be a county road.

SCHEDULE.

MCLEOD'S ROAD.

ALL that road in the Wellington Land District, commencing at its junction with the Easdale Road, in Sections 164 and 165, Block VII., Mount Cerberus Survey District, and proceeding thence generally in a westerly direction until it junctions with the Northern Road, in Section 212, Block VII., Mount Cerberus Survey District, in the Akitio County; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked R. 5161A, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured brown, and marked A.B. thereon.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Postal Regulations and Rates of Postage.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, by Order in Council dated the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and two, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the third day of July, one thousand nine hundred and two, rules and regulations were made and rates of postage fixed under the authority of "The Post Office Act, 1900" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), for the transmission of letters, books, packets, and newspapers through the post for places within New Zealand and beyond seas:

And whereas by section eleven of the said Act it is prescribed that the Governor in Council from time to time may make regulations for the managing of post-offices and the conduct of business therein, and for the receiving, despatching, conveying, and delivering of postal packets (including the imposition of fees for private boxes, bags, or deliveries), for the insurance of registered postal packets, for the registration of newspapers, for the making, custody, sale, and use of special postage-stamps, for the payment of postal charges, for licensing persons to sell postage-stamps, and for the several other purposes in such section set forth:

And whereas by section seventeen of the said Act it is prescribed that the postage and other charges payable within New Zealand, upon postal packets posted within New Zealand for delivery within or transmission beyond New Zealand, shall be levied according to such respective scales and at such respective rates as are fixed from time to time by the Governor in Council:

And whereas it is expedient to revoke the aforesaid Order in Council, and, in lieu thereof, to make the rules and regulations and fix the rates of postage hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke the aforesaid Order in Council of the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and two, and the rules, regulations, and rates of postage thereby prescribed respectively, and in lieu thereof doth hereby make the regulations specified in the Schedule hereto, and doth hereby order and declare that the rates of postage payable within the colony on letters, books, commercial papers, pattern and sample packets, and newspapers, for transmission to the several places within the colony and beyond seas respectively mentioned in the Schedule hereto, shall be those specified in such Schedule; and doth hereby further order and declare that such rates of postage shall in all cases be paid at or prior to the time such letters, books, commercial papers, pattern and sample packets, and newspapers are delivered into the post-office, except where otherwise specially provided; and, further, that this Order in Council shall take effect on and after the date of its first publication in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

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SCHEDULE.

RATES OF POSTAGE.

Letters and Letter-cards.

Inland, the United Kingdom, British possessions, and countries enumerated in list on next page. } 1d. for each ½oz. or fraction thereof.

NOTE.—“Inland” includes the **Cook Islands**—namely, Rarotonga, Mangaia, Atiu, Aitutaki, Mitiaro, Mauke, and Hervey (Manuai); also **Palmerston** (Avarua), **Niue** (Savage), **Pukapuka** (Danger), **Rakaanga**, **Manahiki**, **Penrhyn** (Tongareva), and **Suvarrow** Islands.

British New Guinea 2d. for each ½oz. or fraction thereof.
All other places (Postal Union rates) .. 2½d. for each ½oz. or fraction thereof.

Post-cards.

All places (Postal Union rates) Single, 1d.; reply, 2d.

Commercial Papers.

Town (for accounts, &c., only) { ½d. if not exceeding ½oz., or 1d. for the first 4oz. or fraction thereof, and ½d. for each succeeding 2oz. or fraction thereof.
Inland { 1d. for the first 4oz. or fraction thereof, and ½d. for each succeeding 2oz. or fraction thereof.
All other places (Postal Union rates) .. { 2½d. for the first 10oz., and ½d. for each succeeding 2oz. or fraction thereof.

Books and Printed Papers.

All places (Postal Union rates) ½d. for each 2oz. or fraction thereof.

Pattern and Sample Packets.

Inland { Not exceeding 2oz., ½d.; over 2oz., as for “All other places.”
All other places { Not exceeding 4oz., 1d.; every additional 2oz. or fraction thereof, ½d.

Magazines (not registered).

All places ½d. per 2oz. or fraction thereof.

Magazines (registered).

New Zealand and Australia (except Queensland and Western Australia) { Each copy, not exceeding 2oz., ½d.; if over 2oz. to 8oz., 1d.; every additional 4oz. or fraction thereof, ½d.
Queensland, Western Australia, and all other places } ½d. per 2oz. or fraction thereof.

Newspapers.

Town and Inland ½d. each.
Australia,* South Sea Islands, and Canada 1d. each.
All other places.. .. { 1d. each if not exceeding 4oz., and ½d. additional for every succeeding 2oz. or fraction thereof.

Registration.

3d. for all places.

* The weight of newspapers for transmission to Australia at the 1d. rate is restricted to 20oz. for each copy. Every additional 10oz. or fraction thereof must be prepaid ½d. additional.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

LETTERS AND LETTER-CARDS.

1. The prepaid rates of postage on letters and letter-cards posted in New Zealand are—

Inland, and to the following places .. 1d. for each $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. or fraction thereof.

Aden	Gambia	Ningpo (British Postal Agency)
Akassa	Gibraltar	Norfolk Island
Amoy (British Postal Agency)	Gold Coast	Onitsha
Antigua (Leeward Islands)	Grenada (Windward Islands)	Opobo
Asaba	Grenadines (Windward Islds.)	Orange River Colony
Ascension	Hankow (British Postal Agency)	Pahang (Malay States)
Australia	Hoihow (British Postal Agency)	Paraguay
Bahama Islands	Hongkong	Perak (Malay States)
Barbados	Idda	Peru
Benin	India	Pitcairn Island
Bermudas	Italy	Portugal
Bonny	Jamaica	Portuguese Colonies
Borgu	Johore	St. Helena
Brass	Labuan	St. Kitt's (Leeward Islands)
British Central Africa Protectorate	Lagos	St. Lucia (Windward Islands)
British East Africa Protectorate	Lakoja	St. Vincent (Windward Islands)
British Guiana	Leeward Islands—	Sarawak
British Honduras	Antigua	Selangor (Malay States)
British North Borneo	Dominica	Servia
British Postal Agencies in China—	Montserrat	Seychelles
Amoy	Nevis	Shanghai (British Postal Agency)
Canton	St. Kitt's	Sierra Leone
Focchow	Virgin Islands	Siam
Hankow	Liberia	Solomon Islands
Hoihow	Liu Kung Tau (British Postal Agency)	Straits Settlements
Liu Kung Tau	Malay States (Protected)—	Swatow (British Postal Agency)
Ningpo	Negri-Sembilan	Tobago
Shanghai	Pahang	Tonga
Swatow	Perak	Transvaal
Burutu	Selangor	Trinidad
Calabar (New and Old)	Malta	Turk's Islands
Canada	Mauritius	Uganda
Canton (British Postal Agency)	Mexico	United Kingdom
Cape Colony	Montserrat (Leeward Islands)	Virgin Islands (Leeward Islands)
Ceylon	Natal [States]	Warree or Forcados
Chili	Negri-Sembilan (Malay)	Windward Islands—
Costa Rica	Nevis (Leeward Islands)	Grenada
Cyprus	Newfoundland	Grenadines
Dominica (Leeward Islands)	New Hebrides	St. Lucia
Ducie Island	Nicaragua	St. Vincent
Easter Island	Niger Territory (including Borgu, Idda, and Lakoja)	Zanzibar
Egypt	Niger Coast Protectorate (including Akassa, Asaba, Benin, Bonny, Brass, Burutu, Calabar (New and Old), Onitsha, Opobo, and Warree or Forcados)	
Falkland Islands		
Fanning Island		
Fiji		
Focchow (British Postal Agency)		
Forcados or Warree		

For definition of "Inland," see previous page, "Rates of Postage: Letters and Letter-cards."

British New Guinea 2d. for each $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. or fraction thereof.

All other places 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. for each $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. or fraction thereof.

- 2. Letters not fully prepaid or posted wholly unpaid are charged double the deficiency at the prepaid rate on delivery.
- 3. No letter should exceed 2ft. in length or 1ft. in width or depth.
- 4. **Coin, bank-notes or other paper money, cheques, &c., can be sent by letter-post only. All letters containing coin, bank-notes, or jewellery must be registered.**

Late-fee Letters, &c.

5. Late-fee letters must be paid 1d. in addition to the ordinary postage. Such letters may, as a general rule, be posted at the post-office up to twenty minutes of the time the mail leaves the office, and in the railway travelling post-offices, guards' vans, and on board steamers up to the time of departure of train or steamer. Late-fee letters or commercial papers posted on board trains and steamers without the fee will be charged the late fee on delivery. A concession is, however, made in respect to letters, &c., posted on trains while at a flag-station or railway-siding at a place where there is no post-office. On letters, &c., so posted, no late fee is charged if the words "Posted at [Name of flag-station or siding]" are written or printed on the address side of the letter.

Consignees' Letters and Loose Letters.

- 6. Consignees' letters are *letters* in closed covers concerning goods, and sent at the same time as the goods. They must be marked "Consignee's Letter." They are not liable to the late fee if for delivery within the colony. Loose letters are letters other than consignees' letters which make part or the whole of their journey before being handed to the post-office.
- 7. Letters sent loose to the United Kingdom are treated on arrival as wholly unpaid letters. Loose letters for Australia must bear a late fee or they will be surcharged on arrival.

POST-CARDS.

Rates of Postage.

- 1. The rates of postage are—
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| All places | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | { Each single post-card, 1d. |
| | | | | | | { Each reply-paid post-card, 2d. |

How treated.

- 2. The face is reserved for the postage-stamp, for date-stamp impressions, for inscriptions relating to the Postal Service—such as "Registered," "Acknowledgment of Delivery," &c.—and for the address, which may be written or shown on a gummed label not exceeding 2 in. in length by 1 in. in width.
- 3. Engravings or advertisements may be *printed* on the face as well as on the back of cards, provided sufficient space is left for a clear address and for date-stamping. The name and address of the sender may also be written, printed, or stamped on the face or back.
- 4. For the inland transmission only a communication may be written on the left-hand half of the address side of a card so long as the address itself is not interfered with. This is intended to apply principally to pictorial cards.
- 5. On the reverse side any letter or other matter may be written, printed, engraved, or designed. Excepting stamps for prepayment and the address-labels above mentioned, nothing whatever may be joined or attached to a post-card for a place beyond the colony. For delivery within the colony receipt-stamps or slips of paper may be attached to post-cards, provided the total weight does not exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Stamps cut from post-cards or newspaper-wrappers cannot be used for postage on letters, packets, or newspapers, or for payment of telegrams.
- 6. Cards, pictorial or plain, may be sent as printed matter provided the word "Post-card," if it appear, be clearly struck out, and the words "Printed matter" substituted, and the card be not used to make any communication of the nature of a letter.

Reply-cards.

7. The reply half of a reply-card must not merely be addressed to the country of origin, but must have been received attached to the corresponding half, otherwise double post-card rate will be charged. Each of the two halves must fulfil the conditions laid down for single post-cards. One half must be doubled over the other, and the cards must not be closed up in any manner whatsoever. If the conditions applying to single post-cards are infringed, reply-cards are treated as letters. The sender of a post-card with a reply half may indicate his name and address on the reply-half either in writing or by attaching a gummed label.

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Irregular or Unpaid.

8. Any post-card exhibiting anything of an obscene, libellous, or obviously objectionable character will be detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office.

9. Post-cards infringing any of the above rules, except the last, are treated as unpaid letters.

10. Post-cards posted insufficiently prepaid or unpaid (such as private cards or post-cards not issued by New Zealand, or cards which have already been used for transmission) will be charged double deficiency at post-card rates.

Private Cards.

11. Private cards, including pictorial cards, bearing adhesive stamps may also be used as post-cards. They must be composed of ordinary cardboard not thicker than that used for post-cards of the post-card pattern. The size must not be more than 5½in. by 8½in., and not less than 3½in. by 2½in. For inland transmission the cards may be entirely plain; but for transmission to places beyond the colony single cards must bear the words, printed or written, "Post-card," and reply-cards the words "Post-card Reply." To other than English-speaking countries these words must appear in French, "Carte Postale," "Carte Postale—Réponse." They are otherwise treated like officially issued post-cards. Private cards will be received from the public, and impressed with the penny postage-stamp. The rates for such impressing are the same as for embossing envelopes, which see under "Postage and Revenue Stamps, &c." (page 18).

BOOK-POST.

1. The book-post is divided into two classes: (a) Commercial Papers, and (b) Printed Papers. For transmission by book-post as a "commercial paper" or "printed paper" articles must be sent in covers *entirely open at one or both ends, or in open envelopes with the flap turned inside.*

NOTE.—Letters will not pass as commercial papers even if they are sent in open covers. The only way to send a letter is by letter-post, or by writing it on the back of a post-card or on a letter-card. Writing in commonly unknown characters such as Chinese, &c., will render the packet liable to letter rates of postage.

(A.) COMMERCIAL PAPERS.**Rates of Postage.**

2. For delivery from the office at which posted (town deliveries) the following documents, if not exceeding ½oz., may be sent for ¼d. :—

Accounts (receipted or unreceipted), formal receipts, invoices, premium renewal notices, demands for rates or calls. (See conditions below.)

With the foregoing exceptions, the postage for commercial papers is—

(a.) Within New Zealand,—

For delivery from any other office than that at which posted, and for town papers exceeding ½oz.	{	Not exceeding 4oz. ...	1d
		For every additional 2oz. or fraction thereof ...	¼d

(b.) To all other places...	{	For any weight not exceeding 10oz. ...	2¼d
		For every additional 2oz. or fraction thereof ...	¼d.

Definition.

3. Commercial papers include all papers or documents written or drawn wholly or partly by hand (except letters or communications of the nature of letters, or other papers or documents having the character of an actual and personal correspondence). Any expression in the following table referring to print or printing shall be held to include type-printing, engraving, lithography, or autography, &c., easy to recognise. The expression "writing" shall be held to include type-writing as well as ordinary script.

4. The following documents, provided they conform to the conditions, are regarded as commercial papers :—

Description of Document.	Conditions.
<p>Acceptances, bills of exchange, invoices, bills of lading (separately or enclosed with invoices),* consignees' advice-notes (marked "Consignee"),* drafts, promissory notes, orders for goods (sent by commercial travellers), pay-sheets, ships' manifests, way-bills Accounts (receipted or unreceipted), formal receipts, invoices, premium renewal notices</p>	<p>Nothing may appear in writing in the documents save dates, the names and addresses of the parties, the particulars and prices of any goods, or the particulars of any sums of money to which the document relates, and the mode of consignment of any such goods or money. Any other matter shall be wholly in print, and shall relate exclusively to the subject-matter of the document, or the terms on which business is transacted by the person or firm issuing the document. Only accounts, &c., with printed envelopes for replies if desired, may be enclosed in the same envelope. The words "With thanks" may be added to receipted accounts, but anything, printed or written, in the nature of a request for payment will subject the account to letter rates of postage. For delivery from the office of posting, and if weighing together not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., accounts and printed papers may be posted in the same envelope at the commercial-paper rate.</p>
<p>Affidavits, briefs, deeds, depositions, powers of attorney, recognisances, scrip</p>	<p>Nothing to appear in writing or print which does not form part of the document as a legal instrument.</p>
<p>Demands for rates or calls</p>	<p>Nothing to appear beyond the name of the local body or the company issuing the notice and a demand for the amount due, together with extracts from any Act or Articles of Association fixing penalties for non-payment, &c.</p>
<p>Manuscript for press, manuscript sermons</p>	<p>Any written or printed matter not forming part of the document must refer solely to the arrangement of the type. The covers must be marked "Manuscript for press," &c.</p>
<p>Old or spent letters (packets of) within New Zealand and the Australian States. To other countries they may be posted at letter rates only.</p>	<p>The letters must clearly have served their original purpose, and must be at least two months old. Diaries are not accepted as commercial papers.</p>
<p>Proposals and policies of insurance and proof of loss, private friends' and medical reports concerning proposals for insurance, returns of banks, public companies, &c., proxy forms, pass-books, cheque-books, stock-sheets, balance-sheets. (Cheque-books for the United Kingdom must be prepaid at letter rates of postage.</p>	<p>The document, as a rule, to consist of a printed form. Any written matter on such document to consist merely of information or statements appropriate to the form and necessary to the completion of the document.</p>
<p>Specifications (with and without plans), examination papers, pupils' exercises with corrections but without comment thereon, written music</p>	<p>Any written or printed matter not forming part of the document itself must relate exclusively to its subject-matter.</p>

* See page 4 for special regulations affecting bills of lading and consignees' advice-notes when posted loose on trains and steamers.

(B.) PRINTED PAPERS (INCLUDING BOOKS).

5. The postage for printed papers, except newspapers, is—
 To any place within or beyond New Zealand ... } $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per 2oz. or frac-
 tion thereof.

6. Copies of *Hansard*, if enclosed in the authorised wrapper, will be sent free of charge to any place within the colony.

Definition.

7. Printed papers generally comprise all impressions or copies obtained on paper, parchment, or cardboard, by means of printing, engraving, lithography, autography, or any other mechanical process easy to recognise, except the copying-press or type-writer; anything, not of glass, usually attached or appurtenant to any of the undermentioned articles in the way of binding, mounting, or otherwise; and anything convenient for their safe transmission by post. No writing whatever is allowed on printed papers, except as specified hereafter.

8. Cards bearing the inscription "Post-card" are not accepted at the rate for "printed papers." (See section 10 below.)

9. For places within New Zealand and Australia *obliterated* postage-stamps, if registered, may be sent at printed-paper rates of postage, but, with the one exception that stamped and addressed single envelopes or single post or letter cards to be used for replies may be enclosed with circulars, &c., packets of *uncancelled* stamps must be paid for at registered-letter or parcel rates. For all other countries postage-stamps, whether obliterated or not, and all printed articles or stamps constituting the sign of a monetary value, are excluded from transmission as printed papers, and must bear letter or parcel rates of postage.

10. The following is a list of the more prominent articles accepted as "Printed Papers":—

Description of Article.	Remarks.
Books, magazines, &c. (stitched or bound), drawings, engravings, fashion-plates, maps, printed music, notices of all kinds entirely printed, paintings, papers impressed for the use of the blind or cardboard drawing-models stamped in relief, photographs and albums containing photographs, pictures, plans, valentines	A dedication may be written on books, sheets of music, photographs, and engravings, and the invoice relating to any such work enclosed.
Christmas or other seasonable or complimentary cards	A complimentary or conventional remark, and the names and addresses of the sender and addressee may be written. (For example: "To John Smith, with best wishes from Mary Smith, Christmas, 1898.") Cards bearing communications such as "Write soon," "Hoping to see you shortly," &c., must be paid for at letter rates.
Cards of invitation, notices of meetings ...	The name of the person invited, and the date, object, and place of the gathering, may be added in manuscript. In notices of meeting of Friendly and other Societies the amount of any subscription due may also appear in writing.
Cards, pictorial or plain... ..	May not bear the word "Post-card" unless it be plainly struck out, and may not be used to make any communication of the nature of a letter. Must bear the words "Printed matter."
Labels, blank or printed	In packets.
Visiting-cards	The address and title of the sender, as well as good wishes, congratulations, thanks, condolences, or other formulæ of courtesy, expressed in five words at most, may be added in writing.

Description of Article.	Remarks
Travellers' cards	Cards to be not larger in size than 5½in. x 3½in., and not less than 3½in. x 2½in., merely advising customers of the intended visit of the traveller. The name of the traveller, the place and the date of his visit, may be inserted in writing, and a list of prices current printed on the back of the card. The list of prices may be in writing, but no other matter, except as stated below, whether printed or written, will be permitted. If the card is not enclosed in an envelope, the whole of one side must be reserved for the postage-stamps and the address, and, if required, the words "With compliments." Cards may be folded, and when folded must conform with the above measurement.
Ships' advices	The date of departure may be added in writing.
Catalogues, prices-current, stock and share lists, tenders for advertisements	The prices and figures may be inserted or altered in manuscript.
Circulars, <i>i.e.</i> , printed letters posted in quantity and bearing internal evidence that they are intended for transmission in identical terms to the several addressees	Circulars may be corrected in writing, and the date of despatch and the name and address and description of the sender and addressee may be inserted in writing.
NOTE.—Printed letters posted singly, and which are of the nature of an actual and personal correspondence, must be paid for as letters. For example, printed letters or slips, such as "You are requested to call at this office without delay," "Your account is very much overdue, and must be settled forthwith," cannot be accepted as circulars unless at least twenty copies in identical terms are posted at one time.	If produced by any other mechanical process than printing, at least twenty copies must be submitted to the post-office simultaneously for posting, and special attention called to their nature. The word "Circular" must be written or printed on the circular and on the envelope containing it. Inland circulars may, when posted in quantities of not less than 1,000 at one time, be prepaid in cash instead of stamps. A few hours' notice should in such case be given to the Postmaster.
Newspaper cuttings	The title, date, number, and address of the publication from which the clipping is made may be added.
Obliterated postage-stamps addressed to places within New Zealand and Australia. For other places see paragraph 9	If registered.
Proofs of printing, with or without the manuscript relating thereto	Manuscript additions and alterations relating to the subject-matter or the arrangement or correction of the type may be inserted.
Prospectuses	Wholly printed and without note or comment.

11. The expressions referring to printing include any species of type-printing, engraving, lithography, autography, &c., easy to recognise.

12. The Department is prepared to deliver circulars or other printed matter, prepaid in cash and addressed merely "The Householder" (with or without place of delivery; if no place is mentioned, the town of posting is to be understood as the place of delivery). Delivery of such matter will be made by letter-carrier to every householder within the letter-carriers' respective deliveries so far as the supply goes. A supply of circulars, &c., for such distribution, to the number of not less than 1,000, may be prepaid in cash at the ordinary rates of postage. Any circulars posted under this rule but not delivered may be claimed by the person or firm posting them.

When Writing is permitted.

13. Printed papers, of which the text has been modified after printing, either by hand or by means of a mechanical process, except as specified herein, or which bear any mark whatever of such a kind as to constitute a conventional language, cannot be sent at printed-paper rates.

14. As exceptions to the above rule, it is permitted—

- (a.) To indicate *on the outside* of the paper the name, commercial standing, and address of the sender;
- (b.) To indicate or alter in a printed paper, in manuscript or by a mechanical process, the date of despatch, the signature, and the commercial standing or profession, as well as the address, of the sender;
- (c.) To correct errors in printing in printed documents;
- (d.) To mark through certain parts of a printed text, in order to render them illegible;
- (e.) To make prominent, by means of marks, passages of the text to which it is desired to draw attention;
- (f.) In forms of order or subscription for books, newspapers, engravings, pieces of music, to indicate in manuscript the works required or offered, and to erase or underline the whole or part of the printed communications;
- (g.) To paint fashion-plates, maps, &c.

15. Additions made in manuscript, or by means of a mechanical process, which would deprive a printed paper of its general character and give it that of individual correspondence or communication, are forbidden.

GENERAL BOOK-POST REGULATIONS.

APPLYING TO BOTH "PRINTED PAPERS" AND "COMMERCIAL PAPERS."

How to Pack.

16. A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened in any way) or in a cover entirely open at one or both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination. **If an envelope be used, it must be entirely open at one end, or the flap turned inside. Small slits cut in the ends of closed envelopes are not regarded as leaving a packet open for inspection.** For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string, but the string must be easy to unfasten. **Packets containing bank pass-books are allowed to pass at printed-paper rates** if the covers are sufficiently open at the ends to enable the pass-books to be identified as such.

17. Address-cards and all printed matter of the form and substance of an unfolded card may be forwarded without wrapper, envelope, fastening, or fold. The face is reserved for the postage-stamps, indications relative to the Postal Service, and the address. The sender is permitted to indicate there his name, profession, and address, by means of a stamp, autograph stamp, or any other typographical process. Requisitions to libraries may bear the printed words "Library Order" (or Requisition).

Limits of Size and Weight.

18. The limits of size for book-packets are 18in. in any direction. If made up in the form of a roll, a packet may measure up to 2ft. 6in. in length and 4in. in diameter. **Packets exceeding these limits will be detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office.** The weight must not exceed 4lb.

Short Paid or Irregularly Posted.

19. Book-packets posted wholly unpaid, if addressed to countries beyond New Zealand, are detained, advertised for one month on a list exhibited at the office of posting, and, if not paid for in the meantime, sent to the Dead Letter Office. Unpaid or insufficiently prepaid packets addressed to any place within the colony, and insufficiently prepaid packets for places beyond the colony, are sent to destination, charged with double the deficiency, at prepaid rate, on delivery.

20. If "commercial papers" or "samples" are enclosed with "printed papers" the rates for "commercial papers" or "samples" respectively must be paid.

21. "Commercial papers" and "printed papers," photographs, cards, &c., marked on the outside as such, bearing or containing writing other than that authorised, or closed against inspection, or containing enclosures not authorised by the foregoing rules, or any enclosure addressed to a name which differs from that on the cover, if addressed for any place within the colony, are sent to destination surcharged simple letter rate, *minus* the postage already prepaid. (The fine on open packets not to exceed 6d., unless the written matter enclosed represents more than a foolscap sheet of writing.) If addressed to any place beyond New Zealand the packets are detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office.

PATTERNS AND SAMPLES.

Rates of Postage.

1. The rates of postage for patterns and samples are—

Inland	...	...	...	{ For each packet not exceeding 2oz., $\frac{1}{2}$ d.; over
				2oz., as for "All other places."
All other places	...	...	...	{ For each packet not exceeding 4oz. ... 1d.
				For each additional 2oz. or fraction thereof ... $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

2. Unpaid or insufficiently prepaid pattern or sample packets are treated in the same manner as unpaid or insufficiently prepaid "printed papers."

3. If "commercial papers" are included in a pattern or sample packet, then the rates applicable to "commercial papers" must be paid on such packets. "Printed papers" may be enclosed with pattern and sample packets.

4. Pattern and sample packets (except such as are absolutely prohibited) bearing or containing writing beyond that authorised in section 10, or such as may be closed against inspection, or contain enclosures not authorised by these rules, if posted for any place within the colony, are sent to destination surcharged simple letter rate, less the postage already affixed. (The fine on open packets will not exceed 6d. if the written matter does not represent more than a foolscap sheet of writing.) If addressed to any place beyond the colony the packets will be detained, and sent to the Dead Letter Office for disposal.

Definitions.

5. The pattern and sample post for places beyond New Zealand is restricted to *bonâ fide* trade patterns or samples of merchandise, and natural-history specimens not forwarded for commercial purposes. Patterns or samples must possess no saleable value, or they will be detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office. Packets containing articles of saleable value may be sent at sample rates to any place within New Zealand. Packets containing watches, jewellery, &c., may be sent under this regulation, but must, if the value exceeds ten shillings, be registered.

6. Samples of eider-down, raw or thread silk, woollen or goats' hair thread, vanilla, or isinglass are deemed inadmissible if they weigh more than 3oz.

7. Wedding-cake may be forwarded by sample-post to places within New Zealand and Australia if **securely packed in tin boxes** and marked "Packet Post." For other places beyond the colony wedding-cake must be paid for at letter rates of postage or sent by parcel-post, and **must be enclosed in tin boxes**. Such packets, unless fully prepaid at letter or parcel rates, will be detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office.

8. Packets not *bonâ fide* samples or patterns may be sent by parcel-post to any of the countries with which parcel-post exchanges exist.

How to Pack.

9. Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the end, and packed in such manner as to be easy of examination; but samples of seeds, drugs, and such-like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, may be posted enclosed in boxes or in bags of linen, or other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened. (See "Dangerous Articles.")

No Writing allowed.

10. Patterns and samples must not bear any writing except the name and address of the sender, the address, a manufacturer's trade-mark, numbers, prices, and indications relative to weight or size, or to the quantity to be disposed of.

11. Writing in characters such as Chinese, &c., will render the packet liable to letter rates of postage.

Dangerous Articles.

12. Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch-machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail-bags and to the officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be forwarded as samples.

13. *Articles of glass* must be securely packed in boxes of metal, wood, leather, or cardboard, so as to prevent all danger to correspondence or postal officers. Samples of glass posted in covers of corrugated cardboard fastened at the ends with staples which may be pulled apart to allow of examination of the contents are not regarded as being closed against inspection.

14. *Liquids, oils, and fatty substances* which are easily liquefied must be enclosed in glass bottles hermetically sealed. Each bottle must be placed in a wooden box furnished with sawdust, cotton-wool, or spongy material in sufficient quantity to absorb the liquid in case the bottle be broken. Finally the box itself must be enclosed either in a case of metal or of wood, with a screw top, or of strong and thick leather. When hollow wooden blocks, with minimum thickness of 2½ millimetres (about ¼ in.), are used with sufficient quantity of absorbent material inside, and provided with a lid, the blocks need not be enclosed in a second case.

15. *Fatty substances* which are not easily liquefied, such as ointments, soft-soap, resin, &c., the transmission of which offers less inconvenience, must be enclosed in an inner cover (box, bag of linen, parchment, &c.), which must itself be placed in a second box of wood, metal, or strong and thick leather.

16. *Dry powders*, whether dyes or not, must be placed in cardboard boxes which themselves are enclosed in a bag of linen or parchment.

Live Bees, Natural-history Specimens, &c.

17. Live bees and harmless entomological specimens may be forwarded at sample-post rates to any place within the colony, Australia, the United Kingdom, and to the United States, provided they are enclosed in covers so constructed as to avoid all danger and to allow the contents to be ascertained. Live bees similarly packed may also be sent to all other places. Natural-history specimens, such as dried or preserved animals and plants, geological specimens, &c., when not sent for commercial purposes, are admitted to transmission as samples.

Limits of Size and Weight.

18. Packets addressed to places within New Zealand, Australia, or the United Kingdom must not exceed 2ft. in length, or 1ft. in width and depth. The maximum weight admissible to places within the colony and the United Kingdom is 5lb., and Australia 1lb. (See under "PROHIBITED ARTICLES.")

19. Pattern and sample packets sent to any other place must not exceed 1ft. in length, 8in. in width, 4in. in depth, and 12oz. in weight, unless they be in the form of a roll, for which the maximum dimensions are limited to 1ft. in length and 6in. in diameter.

MAGAZINES.

For New Zealand and the Commonwealth of Australia (except Queensland and Western Australia)—Each copy of a registered magazine, not exceeding 2oz., ½d; if over 2oz. and up to 8oz., 1d.; each additional 4oz. or fraction, ½d.

For Queensland, Western Australia, and all other places, as for printed papers. Magazines are registered on application to the Secretary, General Post Office. Unregistered magazines are charged for at printed-paper rates.

The following is a list of magazines registered at the General Post Office up to the **31st December, 1903**:—

Adastrian.	Boys' Own Paper.	Chums.
All the World.	Building World.	Contemporary Review.
Argosy.	Canterbury Agricultural and	Cornhill.
Artist.	Pastoral Association's	Cosmopolitan.
Art Journal.	Journal.	Covenant People.
Atlantic Monthly.	Canterbury College Review.	Current Literature.
Auckland Collegian.	Cassell's Magazine.	Delineator.
Badminton Magazine.	" Penny Magazine.	Dominican Star.
Banner of Israel.	" Saturday Journal.	Empire Review.
Belgravia.	Catholic Magazine.	English Illustrated Magazine.
Blackwood's Magazine.	Century.	Family Herald.
Bookman.	Chambers's Journal.	Family Reader.
Boys' High School Magazine.	Chapman's Magazine.	Figaro Illustrée.
	Christian Herald.	Fortnightly Review.

Garden.	Napier Girls' High School Magazine.	Scindian.
Gardening.	National Review.	Scribner.
Girls' High School Magazine.	Nature.	Something to Read.
Girls' Own Paper.	Nelsonian Magazine.	Southern Cross.
Girls' Realm.	Nelsonian.	Southland High School Magazine.
Good Words.	New Review.	Spike.
Harmsworth's Magazine.	New Zealand Law Reports.	Strand Magazine.
Harper's Magazine.	New Zealand Medical Journal.	Strand Musical Magazine.
High School Reporter.	N.G.C.	Studio.
Home Life.	Nineteenth Century.	Sunday at Home.
Home Magazine.	Otago High School Magazine.	Sunday Chimes.
Home Notes.	Otago University Review.	Sunday Strand.
Hospital.	Our Home.	Tailor and Cutter.
Idler.	Pall Mall Magazine.	Teachers' World.
Journal of the Bankers' Club and Institute.	Pearson's Magazine.	Temple Bar.
Journal of the Polynesian Society.	Phonetic Journal.	Temple Magazine. [azine.]
Junior Photographer.	Photogram.	Universal and Ludgate Mag-
King's Collegian.	Photographic Art Journal.	Wanganui Collegian.
Knowledge.	Physical Culture.	Weldon's Bazaar.
Ladies' Magazine.	Practical Photographer.	" Illustrated Dress.
Ladies' Realm.	Prince Albert College Magazine.	" Journal of Cos-
Ladies' World.	Quiver.	tume.
Leach's Dressmaker.	Railway Magazine.	Weldon's Ladies' Journal.
Leisure Hour.	Register.	Wellingtonian.
London Journal.	Royal Magazine.	Wide World Magazine.
Longman's Magazine.	St. John's Collegian.	Windsor Magazine.
McClure's Magazine.	St. Nicholas.	Woman at Home.
Macmillan's Magazine.	Schild's Ladies' Fashions.	Womanhood.
Magazine of Art.	" Monthly Journal.	Woman's Life.
Mahin's Magazine.	" Mothers' Help.	Work.
Munsey.		Young Ladies' Journal.
		Young Man's Magazine.

NEWSPAPERS.

Rates of Postage.

1. The postage for the transmission of newspapers is—

- (a.) For places within the colony—For each newspaper, $\frac{1}{4}$ d.
- (b.) For Canada, Australia, and the South Sea Islands—For each newspaper, 1d. Australian papers may not exceed 20oz. in weight for each copy. For each 10oz. or fraction thereof additional, $\frac{1}{4}$ d.
- (c.) For other countries—Each newspaper, 1d. for the first 4oz., and $\frac{1}{4}$ d. for each additional 2oz. or fraction thereof.

2. If more than one newspaper be enclosed in a packet, each newspaper must be prepaid, as if separate.

3. Newspapers, if addressed to places beyond the colony and posted unpaid, are detained and advertised as in the case of "printed papers." Unpaid and insufficiently prepaid newspapers intended for delivery within the colony, and insufficiently prepaid newspapers for places beyond the colony, are forwarded to destination charged double the deficiency at the prepaid rate.

Conditions of Transmission.

4. The proprietor or printer of a newspaper as defined in section 2 of "The Post Office Act, 1900," desiring to register the same under the said Act, shall forward an application for such registration to the Secretary of the General Post Office, Wellington. The application shall be accompanied by a copy of the newspaper, and by the registration fee of 5s. Such newspaper shall be registered in a register to be kept for the purpose, and thereupon the newspaper will be entitled to pass through the post at the rates of postage fixed for registered newspapers. Any publication purporting to be a newspaper, but not registered as aforesaid, is liable to the rates of postage chargeable on printed papers.

5. A newspaper is a publication consisting wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto or to other current topics, with or without advertisements. It may be printed and published in New Zealand or elsewhere, but shall be published in numbers at intervals of not more than thirty days. The full title and date of publication shall be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page.

6. A supplement to a newspaper shall be deemed to be part of such newspaper for the purposes of the regulations, and shall consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets or on a piece or pieces of paper, or consisting wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement shall in every case be published with the newspaper, and shall have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page, or, if it consist of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side. Insets, advertising-sheets, or handbills are not allowed to pass as supplements.

Exemptions from Postage.

7. Single copies of newspapers addressed to the Manager, Librarian, or other person having the charge of any New Zealand Athenæum, Mechanics' Institute, Hospital, Lunatic Asylum, Public Library, Young Men's Christian Association, or Free Reading-room, which shall have been authorised to receive newspapers free of postage; to the Veterans' Home, Auckland; to the Catholic Reading-room, Wellington; Sailors' Rests, Dunedin and Port Chalmers; Chambers of Commerce, Auckland and Dunedin; certain Charitable Institutions in the Christchurch Postal District; or to the Royal Colonial Institute, London, are permitted to pass through the post free. If directed to the care of the officer or to a name at the institution they will be treated as ordinary newspapers.

8. "Newspaper exchanges" (*i.e.*, single copies of newspapers exchanged between newspaper offices in the colony, and addressed to the Editor, Proprietor, Publisher, or Manager) are permitted to pass through the post free of postage. The title of the newspaper and the words "Newspaper Exchange only" must be written or printed on each cover above the address. Newspaper exchanges not complying with these rules will be charged as ordinary newspapers.

9. Not more than one copy of any issue of a newspaper intended for free transmission under the two preceding paragraphs will be forwarded free of charge. If more than one be posted not prepaid with postage a charge of 1d. will be made for each extra newspaper enclosed.

Must not contain Enclosure or Writing.

10. A newspaper for any place within the colony must not contain any enclosure other than the supplement or supplements proper to the newspaper. Any other printed enclosure contained therein will render the addressee liable to double the charge for "printed papers," less the postage affixed.

11. If a "commercial paper," "pattern," or "sample" be enclosed in a newspaper for any place within the colony, double the postage for "commercial papers" and "patterns and samples" respectively, less the postage affixed, will be charged.

12. A newspaper must not contain any writing beyond the name and address of the addressee, the initials or name and address of the sender, and any marks or signs simply intended to call attention to passages in a text.

13. Newspapers intended for delivery within the colony which infringe the preceding rule, or are fastened in their covers by means of gum, sealing-wax, postage-stamps, or otherwise, are sent to destination surcharged at the letter rate *minus* the postage affixed. The fine so imposed will, however, not exceed 6d. unless the writing enclosed represents more than one sheet of foolscap. Such newspapers, if addressed to any place beyond the colony, are detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office.

How to Pack.

14. A newspaper must be posted either without a cover or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of its easy removal for examination.

15. Newspapers addressed to places beyond the colony are subject to the same conditions respecting dimensions and weight as "printed papers."

Posted in Quantity Unstamped.

16. Newspapers may be posted by newspaper-proprietors or distributing agents unstamped, subject to the observance of the following conditions, *viz.* :—

17. Application addressed to the Accountant, G.P.O., for authority to post newspapers unstamped must be forwarded through the Chief Postmaster of the district by the publisher or distributing agent of the newspaper in respect of which the concession is applied for. Such authority will apply to newspapers addressed to places within New Zealand only. The postage on newspapers for places beyond New Zealand must be affixed in stamps prior to their being posted. The minimum period for which an authority will be issued is six calendar months. The minimum number of newspapers that will be received at any one posting is 100.

18. Newspapers subject to this arrangement must be presented at the post-office from which they are to be despatched, accompanied by a certificate in the prescribed form. They must be tied in bundles or enclosed in a bag or other receptacle, the number of papers contained therein being clearly indicated in each case, so that they may be readily counted before distribution. Any misstatement, whether intentional or otherwise, may lead to withdrawal of the privilege.

19. An account will be rendered after the end of each accounting period—*viz.*, on the 8th, 16th, 24th, and 1st day of each month, covering the postage due on papers posted during the periods ended the 7th, 15th, 23rd, and last days of each month. Settlement thereof must be effected within forty-eight hours, failing which the concession may be withdrawn.

REGISTERED ARTICLES.**Fees in addition to Postage.**

1. The fee for registration is 3d., in addition to the ordinary postage, and must be prepaid.
2. The sender of a registered article may obtain an **acknowledgment of its due receipt** by the addressee on payment, **at the time of posting of the article**, of an "acknowledgment fee" of 2½d., in addition to the ordinary registration fee. No inquiry as to the delivery of a registered letter will be made except by means of an Acknowledgment of Delivery form, to which must be attached the fee of 2½d.

What may be Registered.

3. Any letter, letter-card, post-card, book or other packet, newspaper, or inland parcel will be accepted for registration. Parcels for places beyond the colony, except the United States of America, cannot be registered.
4. No article directed to initials, or to a fictitious name, can be registered.

How and when to Register Letters, &c.

5. Every letter, &c., to be registered should be presented at the counter, and a receipt obtained for it, and must on no account be dropped into the letter-box.
6. No letter-carrier, messenger, or other servant of the Post Office is allowed to carry a letter for any person to be registered.
7. Letters may be registered during ordinary office-hours, and for despatch by any mail, up to within one hour before the closing of such mail.

Advantages of Registration.

8. The registration of an article renders its transmission much more secure, and the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence.

Postmaster-General's Liability.

9. In the event of the loss of an inland registered letter or a registered letter from any country with which New Zealand has a reciprocal arrangement as to indemnities the Postmaster-General will be liable to pay a sum not exceeding £2, under the following conditions:—

1. The letter must be duly registered by the sender.
2. No compensation for loss will be given in respect of—
 - (1.) A letter containing any article which may not be lawfully sent by post.
 - (2.) Money, unless it be sent by letter-post, and then only on the following conditions being complied with:—
 - (a.) That any coins enclosed in the letter be packed in such a way as to move about as little as possible.
 - (b.) That the number, amount, bank of issue, and (where necessary) the date of any bank-note enclosed be supplied to the Postmaster-General when required.
 - (c.) That the amount and number of any postal note enclosed be supplied to the Postmaster-General when required.
 - (d.) That particulars sufficient to identify the document be supplied to the Postmaster-General in the case of any bill of exchange, bond, coupon, or other order or authority for the prepayment of money, or security for money, enclosed in the letter.
3. The compensation given in respect of loss shall not in the case of any letter exceed the sum of two pounds, whatever be the value of the contents, and shall in no case exceed the value of the article lost.
4. In every case it must appear that the loss did not arise wholly or in part by the fault of the sender, and that it occurred while the letter was in the post.
5. Evidence of the loss of a registered letter shall be given to the Postmaster-General by a statutory declaration made by or on behalf of the claimant, setting forth,—
 - (a.) The date when, and the place where, such letter was posted, so far as the same can be reasonably ascertained.
 - (b.) A description of the contents and value of such letter, so far as known to the claimant, and the fact of the loss.
 - (c.) Any other particulars required by these regulations, or tending to establish the facts of the loss and verify the claim made.

But the Postmaster-General may require any further or additional reasonable evidence to satisfy him as to any such alleged loss or value; or, where he deems the loss proved by other means, may dispense with the whole or any of the requirements of this regulation.

6. The Postmaster-General may in every case, if he thinks fit, reinstate the article lost instead of giving pecuniary compensation.

7. Where compensation is given, the Postmaster-General reserves the right to retain and dispose as he thinks fit of the letter or its contents in case it should subsequently come into his hands.

8. In no case will the Postmaster-General give compensation for injury or damage consequent upon the loss, damage, or delay of a letter, or any article contained therein.

9. Without prejudice to any of the preceding rules, the Postmaster-General may, if he thinks fit, refuse to give compensation for loss on any ground on which a common carrier might in like case claim exemption from legal liability. The decision of the Postmaster-General upon all questions of compensation is final.

Compulsory Registration.

10. Valuable articles sent in *unregistered* letters are exposed to risk. All inland and Australian letters or packets, therefore, which unquestionably contain coin, bank-notes, or jewellery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as "registered," and charged double the registration fee, in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters, &c., which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch.

Prohibitions.

11. It is prohibited to send to any of the countries mentioned in the "List of Countries to which Postal Union Rates are charged" (at pages 25 to 29) any registered article marked on the outside with the declared value of the contents; and Postmasters must refuse to receive articles which are so marked.

12. It is forbidden to send coin, jewellery, or precious articles by letter-post to any of the same countries which are not marked (b).

13. Jewellery, &c., if addressed to countries which do not admit of their transmission by letter-post, and with which New Zealand has parcel exchanges, may be sent by parcel-post, except in cases in which they are specially prohibited; see special tables under heading "British, Intercolonial, and Foreign Parcel Post."

14. The registration to some countries is incomplete. In such cases articles are as a rule registered to the port of arrival, and the continuation of the registration thence to destination is left at the discretion of the country of arrival.

Redirection.

15. Registered articles are redirected free of charge on the same conditions as ordinary letters.

REDIRECTION.

Conditions of Free Redirection.

1. Redirected letters, post and letter cards, commercial papers, printed papers, newspapers, and sample-packets are treated as if they were addressed direct from the first office of posting to their ultimate destination, no charge whatever being made for intermediate redirections. When letters are fully prepaid for their first destination they are charged on delivery only the actual difference between the postage from the first office of posting to the ultimate place of destination and the postage originally affixed to the letters. Thus, a 3oz. letter prepaid 1d. and posted at Wellington for Auckland would be redirected free of charge thence to Dunedin, or to any place named in the list on page 3. Telegrams readdressed for transmission by post are charged 1d.

Parcels treated differently.

2. Parcels are, when redirected, liable to an additional rate of postage for each redirection, except where the original and corrected addresses are both within a free delivery from the same post-office.

Redirection of Registered Letters.

3. Registered letters, &c., the redirection of which is desired after delivery, must not be dropped in the letter-box, but must be handed in at the office counter.

Notices of Removal.

4. Notices of removal and applications for the redirection of letters, &c., must in all cases be signed by the persons to whom the letters are addressed. The printed form of notice, which will be supplied on application at any post-office, should be used wherever practicable. Redirection orders by telegraph will be acted upon, but signatures thereto must be verified and must be full. Redirection orders cannot be allowed to remain in force longer than six months.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

1. On the first day of each month a list is exhibited at each post-office in the colony of the addresses of all letters received from places beyond the colony that have remained unclaimed for two months at such post-office, exclusive of the month in which they were received, and such of these letters as remain unclaimed at the end of a further period of one month are then forwarded to the Dead Letter Office, to be returned unopened to

the countries where they originated. Unclaimed letters originating in the colony are not advertised, but at the end of one month are forwarded (excepting special-request letters) to the Dead Letter Office, Wellington, there to be opened and returned to the writers.

2. Under section 22 of "The Post Office Act, 1900,"—

(1.) Every postal packet addressed to any person at any premises licensed under "The Licensing Act, 1881," or at any shipping office, or public or private lodginghouse, and delivered to or received by the licensee of such premises, or the person apparently in charge of such office or lodginghouse, or any one acting as the agent or servant of any such licensee or person, shall be deemed to be under the control of the Postmaster-General until delivered to the person to whom the same is addressed.

(2.) If the same is not so delivered within two months after the receipt thereof by or on behalf of such licensee or other person as aforesaid, and if instructions to the contrary are not received from the person to whom the same is addressed, the licensee or other person as aforesaid shall return the same to the nearest post-office, with the reasons therefor.

(3.) Every such postal packet shall be transmitted to the Dead Letter Office, and shall be there dealt with as undelivered.

(4.) If any such licensee or other person as aforesaid omits or fails to return any such postal packet as aforesaid he is liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(5.) The foregoing provision of this section shall extend and apply to telegrams transmitted by electric telegraph.

SPECIAL-REQUEST CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Letters and other articles posted in the colony, having the names and addresses of the senders written, printed, or embossed on the address side or on the fly of the envelopes, are returned unopened to the writers or senders by Chief Postmasters, when not claimed within thirty days; and all such articles which have, in addition, a request on the address side of the cover that the articles be returned if not claimed within a stated period, are also returned unopened by Chief Postmasters at the end of such period. No such articles, however, will be returned unless they have remained in the post-office to which addressed at least ten days. This section includes in the colony the possessions of the Cook Islands; also Palmerston (Avarua), Niue (Savage), Pukapuka (Danger), Rakaanga, Manahiki, Penrhyn (Tongareva), and Suwarrow Islands.

2. Letters and other articles originating outside the colony which bear a special request for return to the sender within a stated period are sent by Chief Postmasters at the end of such period to the Dead Letter Office, Wellington, for immediate return to the country of origin.

3. Letters and other articles of this class originating at hotels, clubs, or places of public resort are not returned unopened by Chief Postmasters unless, in addition to the printed or embossed address on the cover, the name of the actual sender also appears.

4. The above instructions do not apply to the following classes of correspondence, which, however, are sent at once to the Dead Letter Office after having been retained in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2: Registered and surcharged articles, and letters containing coin.

5. Special-request articles are recommended to be marked as follows, near the left-hand upper corner: "If not claimed in ten days return to [name and address]." Unless the name of the sender as well as the address is given, the request for return will not be acceded to.

BUSINESS HOURS.

1. All post-offices are opened for delivery of letters, sale of stamps, receipt and delivery of parcels, and registration of letters, &c., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (except as otherwise shown in the list of post-offices appearing in the Supplement to the Guide) on week-days only. A list of money-order offices and savings-banks is printed elsewhere, and hours of business on week-days only are given under the heading "Money Orders" in a separate list.

2. Certain post-offices specially authorised by the Postmaster-General may be closed during the periods of sorting and despatching mails.

3. *Post Office and Telegraph Holidays.*—The statutory post-office and telegraph holidays are New Year's Day, Easter Monday, the Prince of Wales' Birthday, the King's Birthday, and Boxing Day. When one of these days falls on a Sunday, the next day is observed as a holiday in lieu thereof. Partial holidays only are observed on Easter Monday and Boxing Day. Good Friday and Christmas Day are observed as Sundays.

DELIVERY.

1. To facilitate the delivery of letters a letter-box should be affixed to every house-door.

2. Deliveries from office counters, &c., are made from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on week-days, but certain post-offices specially authorised by the Postmaster-General may be closed during the periods of sorting and despatching mails.

3. Letter-carriers and messengers are prohibited from distributing any letters, newspapers, &c., except such as have passed through a post-office. They are not allowed to deliver in the street or elsewhere except at houses or places of business, even to addressees; nor are they allowed to deliver under doors. They are not permitted to receive any payment beyond the postage for the delivery or collection of any letter or newspaper, or to deviate from the route laid down for them. The prohibition, however, from receiving payment in addition to the postage does not extend to Christmas gratuities. For delivery of "Householder" circulars, see section 12 of "Printed Papers" regulations. For delivery of parcel by parcel-post, see regulations under "Parcel Post," separately printed.

4. No person living within the town free delivery can claim to have his letters delivered at the office if a delivery by letter-carrier is about to take place; but letters which arrive by a mail, after which there is no immediate delivery by letter-carrier, may be obtained by any person on application at the office, so long as it is open for delivery.

5. Receipts must be given for all registered articles upon delivery thereof.

6. Letters addressed to the post-office, or to be kept till called for, may be obtained at the office, except where it is ascertained that it is the practice of persons living within the town delivery to have their letters so addressed, in which cases they will be sent out by letter-carrier. Letters for persons residing beyond any official delivery will be delivered on application at the office. It is not permitted to return any letter to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon (except under the provisions for special request, see "Special-request Letters"), as every letter must be delivered to the person to whom it is originally directed, and to him alone. Information must not be given by a postal officer respecting letters, &c., which pass through a post-office, except to the persons to whom they are addressed.

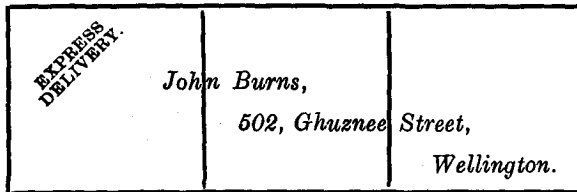
EXPRESS DELIVERY SERVICES.

1. There are express delivery services at the following offices:—

Ashburton,	Greymouth,	Oamaru,
Auckland,	Hawera,	Onehunga,
Blenheim,	Hokitika,	Palmerston North,
Bluff,	Invercargill,	Port Chalmers,
Christchurch,	Lyttelton,	Thames,
Dunedin,	Masterton,	Timaru,
Feilding,	Napier,	Wanganui,
Gisborne,	Nelson,	Wellington,
Gore,	New Plymouth,	Westport.

For special messenger service see regulations printed elsewhere.

2. All letters and parcels not exceeding 3 lb. in weight, posted at any post-office, intended for express delivery, must be boldly and legibly marked on the left-hand side "Express Delivery," and two parallel lines drawn across the front and back of the letter or parcel, thus:—



and the delivery fee affixed in stamps, in addition to the ordinary postage. "Expressed" articles will be received up to time for receiving late letters.

3. All articles not so marked, or not fully prepaid the postage and delivery fee, will be treated as a rule as ordinary correspondence, and delivered in the usual way. In certain cases, however, where the delivery fee has been paid and the distance apparently miscalculated, or the postage inadvertently omitted, the articles will be delivered and the deficiency collected from the addressee and affixed to the letter in postage-due stamps.

4. The delivery fee for each article is 6d. for the first mile, and 3d. each additional mile up to two miles, or three miles in all.

Envelopes supplied by private persons are embossed with postage at the following charges:—

For the first 1,000 or less	8s.	} Of one value.
For any additional number :	per 1,000 or fraction thereof	5s.	

Applications for embossing must be made to the Secretary, General Post Office, Wellington.

2. No person excepting a postal officer may, unless specially licensed by the Stamp Department, sell postage-stamps, post-cards, or newspaper-wrappers. The penalty for such illegal sale is ten pounds. Discount-stamps are not permitted to be used for postage, and are sold at money-order offices only.

3. To prevent the purloining of postage-stamps by the *employés* in large establishments, the stamps may be perforated with the initials of the firms, &c., so as to render the improper sale of such stamps a matter of difficulty. The perforation with initials of the stamps on post-cards and newspaper-wrappers is also allowed; but permission in all cases must first be obtained from the Postmaster-General.

4. Stamps should be placed on the front of the letter, and upon the right-hand corner of the upper side. On redirected letters care should be taken not to place fresh stamps over the stamps which have been previously used.

5. Stamps which have been torn, cut, or otherwise rendered imperfect, except by perforation, cannot be used.

6. Postage-due stamps, discount-stamps, or stamps cut from letter-cards, post-cards, newspaper-wrappers, registered-letter envelopes, embossed envelopes, or stamped paper cannot be used for prepayment of postage on letters, packets, or newspapers, or for payment for telegrams. Such stamps, when identified in the post-office, will not be postmarked. Stamps of Rarotonga, Niue, or Penrhyn Island may not be used outside those dependencies respectively for prepayment of postage.

7. English, Victorian, New South Wales, and Western Australian postage-stamps may be obtained by persons desirous of sending a stamp or stamped envelope to their relatives or friends in the United Kingdom, Victoria, New South Wales, and Western Australia, in order to relieve them of the cost of the postage when sending replies. *These stamps cannot be purchased in quantities of more than sixpence worth at one time, nor are they permitted to be used for the purpose of making remittances.*

REPURCHASE OF STAMPS.

1. Postmasters in charge of money-order offices are permitted, though not compelled, to purchase from the public New Zealand postage-stamps of not less value than 10s. (provided the stamps be not soiled or otherwise damaged), at a discount of 5 per centum.

2. Discount-stamps are purchased at money-order offices if mounted on the special card provided for the purpose and presented in quantities of the value of 1s. or its multiple. They are not permitted to be used for postage.

3. To prevent the temptation to steal stamps attached to letters, which might be afforded by facilities for selling them, single stamps cannot be purchased. The stamps must in all cases be presented in strips of not less than two.

PRIVATE BOXES AND BAGS.

1. Private letter-boxes are provided for merchants and others upon payment, in advance, of the following fees and on the terms named:—

(a.) For a term exceeding six calendar months and not exceeding one year, one pound (£1).

(b.) For a term not exceeding six calendar months, ten shillings (10s.).

These fees cover the rent of boxes of the usual size.

(c.) For a box where provided double the usual size, as at (a.) and (b.), two pounds (£2) and one pound (£1) respectively.

(d.) For a box where provided treble the usual size, as at (a.) and (b.), three pounds (£3) and one pound ten shillings (£1 10s.) respectively.

2. Private boxes are let for periods ending on the 30th June or the 31st December, and for a term not less than six months, except in the case of first letting. A private box may be first let for a term less than six months, but not less than three months, to date from the day on which the same shall be let up to the 30th June or the 31st December next following. In cases in which the first period would be less than three months, the next period of six months must be added and paid for. Where there are two or more applicants for the same box at the same time, preference shall be given to the person desiring to have the same for the longest term.

3. No private box can be held in the joint names of a number of persons unless it be known that the applicants are in business partnership. Private persons are not permitted to join in renting a private box. Subject to the above restrictions, any person can have a private box who is willing to pay the appointed rent. No person can be permitted to engage a private box for Sunday or for a certain day or days only.

4. Letters directed to any person or firm renting a private box, and letters directed to the care of the box-holder, will be deposited in the box, unless written notice be given to the contrary. It must be understood, however, that outside the principals the Department can only undertake to place letters for other persons in private boxes *when they are addressed to the care of the box-holders*; thus, Wm. Brown, usually having letters addressed to the care of Robert Jones, Box 700, Auckland, would not be entitled to have a letter addressed "Wm. Brown, Auckland," "Wm. Brown, Post-office, Auckland," or "Wm. Brown, Fort Street, Auckland," placed in private box No. 700. If the letter could not be delivered by letter-carrier, it would be kept with other letters until called for. The registered and unpaid correspondence addressed to a private box will be retained by the delivery-clerk, and the box-holder notified by means of cards placed in the box.

5. Each box is provided with a door, lock and key, which must be kept in repair at the holder's expense.

6. Private-box lobbies at chief post-offices are open as follows:—

	Week-days.	Sundays.
Auckland	.. 6 a.m. to midnight	.. 8 a.m. to midnight.
Blenheim	.. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Christchurch	.. 7 a.m. to midnight	.. 7 a.m. to midnight.
Dunedin	.. 6.30 a.m. to midnight	.. 8 a.m. to midnight.
Gisborne	.. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 9.30 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Greymouth	.. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Hokitika	.. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Invercargill	.. 6 a.m. to midnight	.. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Napier	.. 7.30 a.m. to midnight	.. 7.30 a.m. to midnight.
Nelson	.. 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
New Plymouth	.. 6.30 a.m. to 10.30 p.m.	.. 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Oamaru	.. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 8 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Thames	.. 6 a.m. to midnight	.. 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Timaru	.. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	.. 9.30 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wanganui	.. 8 a.m. to midnight	.. 8 a.m. to midnight.
Wellington	.. 5 a.m. to 1.30 a.m.	.. 5 a.m. to 1.30 a.m.
Westport	.. 9 a.m. to 10.30 p.m.	.. 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

At all other offices the hours are irregular, and vary from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. or 11 p.m., and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., according to local requirements and facilities. The lobbies are also open on Sundays and holidays, but at irregular hours.

7. Persons residing upon mail-routes requiring the accommodation of private bags can obtain the same upon payment, in advance, of the undermentioned fees to the Chief Postmaster of the district, and subject to the following regulations:—

- (a.) The fees payable for private mail-bags shall be—For a term exceeding six calendar months and not exceeding one year, two pounds (£2); for a term not exceeding six calendar months, one pound (£1). Provided that no private mail-bag shall be let for a term less than six months, to date from the 1st January or the 1st July, with the same qualification in respect of the first term as for private boxes set out in **section 2**. If the bag is taken delivery of at the office at which it is made up the fee is the same as for a private box.
- (b.) The bag must be provided with a lock and two keys, and kept in repair at the cost of the person requiring it. When empty it must not exceed two pounds in weight. All private bags must be approved by the Postmaster.
- (c.) The Postmaster must securely lock the bag before despatching it, and it must be returned to the Postmaster in the same manner.
- (d.) The bag must only contain correspondence for persons connected with the establishment of the owner of the bag, or who may be in his employment; and it must be distinctly understood that such owner is responsible for the postage of all unpaid letters, and for returning receipts for all those which may be registered.

8. Mail contractors are bound to convey and deliver, free of charge to the holders, all private bags given to them by Postmasters or under their instructions, but are not required to deviate from the prescribed mail-route, and are on no account to be delayed. Should a return bag not be ready at the appointed time and place, the contractor is not required to wait for it.

MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS.**Non-liability of the Post Office.**

1. The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-sending, or mis-delivery of any unregistered letter, book, or other postal packet; nor is it responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission. See, however, regulations elsewhere regarding insurance of parcels.

Secure Packing recommended.

2. To guard against their being injured, all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers; and it is recommended that such articles should be sent by parcel-post. Fragile articles should not be sent by post.

3. The main business of the Post Office being the transmission of letters, the forwarding of book-packets and newspapers (which no one is compelled to send through the Post Office), though an important, is only a secondary object, for which no arrangement can be made which would interfere with the quick and regular conveyance and delivery of letters. Books and packets, therefore, which would be injured by being thrust into a bag and hurriedly pressed down like a bundle of letters, should not be sent through the post.

4. In order that no failure may occur in the delivery of newspapers through the covers becoming detached, it is recommended that the addresses be written on exposed parts of the newspapers themselves, as well as on the covers.

Postmasters and the Public.

5. No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a post-office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has reason to believe that the person whose address it is would not disapprove of his doing so.

6. Except in the case of "special-request" letters, post-cards, or circulars which cannot be delivered, Postmasters are not allowed to return any article to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address.

7. Postmasters are not bound to weigh letters, books, packets, or newspapers for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded. This rule does not apply to parcels, which are tested both as to weight and size before being accepted.

8. Postmasters are not bound to give change; and when money is paid at a post-office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

9. No postal officer is permitted to take money in prepayment of postage (except in the case of inland circulars posted in quantities of not less than one thousand at one time), or to affix postage-stamps on letters, &c., posted at any post-office. Postage-stamps should in all cases be affixed by the sender or person posting the correspondence.

All Articles should bear Sender's Address.

10. Every letter or other article should contain the full address of the sender, in order to insure its return if the person to whom it is directed cannot be found. A much larger portion of the undelivered letters could be returned if the names and addresses of the senders were always plainly written at the end of the letters or embossed on the envelopes.

Use of Sealing-wax discouraged.

11. The practice of sealing with wax (except such as is specially prepared) letters passing to and from countries with hot climates is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed, but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to to do the same.

Money and Valuables should be Registered.

12. Neither money nor any other valuable article ought ever to be sent through the post, except by means of a money-order, postal note, or in a registered letter. Any person who sends money or jewellery in an unregistered letter not only runs a risk of losing his property, but exposes to temptation every one through whose hands his letter passes.

Privilege of Postmaster-General.

13. Any person conveying (otherwise than by the post) a letter not exempted from the exclusive privilege of the Postmaster-General incurs, by law, a penalty of £20 for every letter so conveyed.

Addressing Correspondence.

14. Much difficulty is experienced in the delivery to their right owners of letters imperfectly addressed, and the Post Office has frequently incurred unjust censure either for unintentionally delivering such letters to wrong persons or for declining the responsibility of delivering them at all. The address of every letter ought to be full and distinct; and, in the case of the larger towns, the name of the street and the number of the house should always form part of the address. The practice of addressing letters to a town only prevails to a large extent, and in such cases the letters are not only liable to suffer delay, but to be lost altogether through being delivered to wrong persons.

Examination of Packets.

15. It is the duty of Postmasters, whenever they have ground for suspecting an infringement of any of the conditions relating to commercial papers, pattern and sample packets, newspapers, and printed papers generally, and occasionally even where there is no ground for suspicion, to open and examine packets posted at or passing through their offices.

Exceptional Detention of Postal Packets other than Letters.

16. To prevent obstacles to the regular transmission of letters, a Postmaster may, when necessary, delay forwarding any book-packets or newspapers, samples, and parcels until the following despatch.

Circulars.

17. Circulars should be tied in bundles, with all the addresses in one direction, and should be posted early in the day.

PROHIBITED ARTICLES.

1. Any indecent or obscene print, painting, photograph, lithograph, engraving, book, or card, or any other indecent or obscene article, or any letter, newspaper, publication, packet, or card having thereon any words, marks, or designs of an indecent, obscene, libellous, grossly offensive, or objectionable character (including in the term "objectionable character" the word "Debt," or any other word or words indicating that the postal packet relates to a debt or liability for money, except the usual form of invoice or account); matches of any kind; also any explosive, dangerous or noxious substance, any living creature, excepting live bees and harmless entomological specimens for delivery in the colony, Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States (see **section 17, page 11**, "Patterns and Samples"), or anything likely to injure the contents of the mails or any officer of the Post Office, are detained and transmitted to the Dead Letter Office, to be there dealt with as undelivered. Bottles or packages of liquid as clinical specimens for examination or analysis cannot be admitted into the post for the United Kingdom. If any such are detected passing through the post they will not be sent on.

(Under the Inland Parcel-post, however, fish, meat, game, eggs, &c., razors, scissors, needles, knives, forks, or other sharp instruments, are permitted to be forwarded if so packed as to prevent all risk of injury to other parcels or to the officers of the Post Office. Liquids, or semi-liquids, such as paint, &c., or glass in any form, are also received if so packed as to be secure from breakage.)

Every person who posts fire, or a match, or light, or any explosive, dangerous, or destructive substance or fluid, or any matter or thing likely to injure any postal packet or any person, is liable to imprisonment for seven years.

2. The transmission by post of gold, silver, precious stones, jewellery, &c., is prohibited in all countries mentioned (at **pages 25 to 29**) in the "List of British and Foreign Countries," &c., following, which are not marked ^(b). Such articles may, however, be sent to such of the countries not so marked as have parcel-post exchanges with New Zealand, except in cases where the Parcel-post Regulations specially exclude their admission. Vine-cuttings, except such as are addressed to the care of the Agricultural Department, are not permitted to be imported into New Zealand; any received through the post, unless so addressed, will be delivered to the Customs.

3. To all countries except His Majesty's Dominions and Egypt, Guatemala, Italy, Nicaragua, and Salvador, Christmas cards, &c., must be prepaid letter rates if any complimentary remarks appear upon them in writing.

(For *Australia* see **section 5**.)

4. In the undermentioned colonies, viz.,—

<i>Bermuda,</i>	<i>Gibraltar,</i>	<i>Montserrat,</i>	<i>Sierra Leone,</i>
<i>Ceylon,</i>	<i>Labuan,</i>	<i>Newfoundland,</i>	<i>and</i>
<i>Falkland Islands,</i>	<i>Lagos,</i>	<i>St. Vincent,</i>	<i>Straits Settlements,</i>
<i>Gambia,</i>	<i>Malta,</i>		

articles of value are transmissible, and, with the exception of jewellery addressed to *Ceylon*, *Newfoundland*, and *St. Vincent*, are exempt from Customs duty. Their transmission is also permitted in *Cyprus*, *Grenada*, and *Jamaica*; but they are liable to Customs duty, with the exception of gold and specie in *Cyprus*, gold, silver, and diamonds in *Grenada*, and diamonds in *Jamaica*.

5. Special prohibitions in *Australia*, *Cape Colony*, *Dutch East Indies*, *France*, *Italy*, *Luxemburg*, *Norway*, *Servia*, *Transvaal*, and the *United States of America*: Anything relating to lotteries.

(For *Ceylon* see **section 4**.)

6. *Corea*.—Printed matter, labels, placards, photographs, &c., of a character contrary to good morals, offensive to the Sovereign, or dangerous to public safety, precious stones, red ginseng, opium, medicaments, arms and munitions of all kinds.

(For *Cyprus* see **section 4**.)

7. In the *Dutch East Indies* articles of value are admissible, except wrought gold and silver, but the packets containing them must be registered. (See also **section 5**.)

(For *Egypt* see **section 3**.)

(For *Falkland Islands* see **section 4**.)

8. In *France* engravings, prints, drawings, and chromo-lithographs are liable to Customs duty, and cannot be sent by post to that country in quantities sufficiently large to have a saleable value, but small quantities can be sent as *bonâ fide* specimens. (See also **section 5**.)

9. *French establishments of Oceania*, *French Guiana*, *Réunion*, *St. Pierre et Miquelon*.—Same as for France.

(For *French Guiana* see **section 9**.)

(For *Gambia* see **section 4**.)

10. *German East Africa*.—Cuttings or leaves of vines.

(For *Gibraltar* see **section 4**.)

11. *Greece*.—Foreign copper or bronze coins are prohibited.

(For *Grenada* see **section 4**.)

(For *Guatemala* see **section 3**.)

11A. To *Hongkong*, gold or silver coin, bullion, jewellery, &c., may no longer be posted.

11B. For *India*, nearly all articles which may be forwarded by letter-post are liable to Customs duty. With the exception, therefore, of ordinary correspondence—that is to say, letters, post-cards, printed papers, commercial papers, papers representing value (such as bank notes, drafts, &c.), and samples of merchandise—nothing should be sent through the letter-post to British India. All other articles, being liable to Customs duty, should be sent by parcel-post. In respect of printed papers, works of art (including photographs) are liable to Customs duty unless they are sent in small quantities not intended for sale.

12. In *Italy* or other countries sent forward on Italy, letters, if containing gold or silver money, jewels or precious articles, registered or otherwise, are opened, the articles confiscated, and the letters sent on to destination. Illustrated post-cards are subject to Customs duty, and cannot be forwarded in quantities by letter-post. (See also **section 3** and **section 5**.)

(For *Jamaica* see **section 4**.)

(For *Labuan* see **section 4**.)

(For *Lagos* see **section 4**.)

13. In *Luxemburg* the registration of packets containing gold, silver, jewellery, &c., is compulsory, and everything of value, except coin or bullion, is liable to duty. The importation of meat in tins or similar packages to which one or more of the following constituents have been added: Boracic acid and its salts; aldehyde formic; hydrates and carbonates of alkalis and earthy alkalis; sulphurous acid and its salts, as well as the hyposulphites; fluorhydric acid and its salts; salicylic acid and its combinations; chlorates. The introduction by letter-post of advertisements, prospectuses, or tickets of lotteries is prohibited.

(For *Malta* see **section 4**.)

14. *Montenegro*.—Prepared medicaments and cosmetics, unless addressed to chemists or the Sanitary Department. Articles declared harmful by the sanitary authorities, and books and other printed matter prohibited by law.

(For *Montserrat* see **section 4**.)

15. *New Caledonia*.—Same as for France. Beans and plants of coffee are prohibited by a local law.

(For *Newfoundland* see **section 4**.)

16. Tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, or snuff cannot be sent to *New South Wales* or the *United Kingdom* by letter or sample post. The *United Kingdom*, however, admits samples of unmanufactured tobacco not exceeding 4oz. at a Customs duty of 8d. per package. The introduction into *New South Wales* of opium by post is prohibited.

(For *Nicaragua* see **section 3**.)

(For *Norway* see **section 5**.)

17. *Persia*.—Colours made with aniline.

18. For *Portugal* packets of bound books must be prominently marked on the outside, "To be submitted to Customs."

19. In *Queensland* advertising pamphlets are charged Customs duty at the rate of 25 per cent. on estimated bulk value of the pamphlets. Such duty must either be remitted with the goods or a local agent appointed who will pay the amount on demand. (See also **section 5**.)

(For *Réunion* see **section 9**.)

20. *Roumania*.—Stitched or bound books, being liable to Customs duty, cannot be sent at printed-paper rates. Printed articles drawn up in foreign countries, in Polish or in any mixed Polish language, are liable to Customs duty, and therefore prohibited from importation by letter-post. Articles containing such printed matter will be returned to the office of origin by the Russian authorities.

21. *Russia*.—Printed matter in the Russian language is prohibited; and even such trifling articles as photographs and Christmas cards are liable to duty, though a single photograph may be sent to *Russia* by post. All letters or packets containing prohibited or dutiable articles of any kind, however small the value, are confiscated in that country. Russian Government bonds cannot be enclosed in ordinary or registered letters to *Russia*, and if discovered in correspondence 25 per cent. will be deducted from their amount in *Russia* as a fine. Periodical editions of newspapers published in foreign countries in the Polish language are not liable to Customs duty. Explosive, inflammable, and generally dangerous articles, such as capsules and charged cartridges. (See also **section 24**.)

(For *St. Pierre et Miquelon* see **section 9**.)

(For *St. Vincent* see **section 4**.)

(For *Salvador* see **section 3**.)

(For *Servia* see **section 5**.)

22. *Siam*.—Arms and opium by book-post are not permitted. Gold, silver, precious stones, and jewellery may be sent only at letter rates.

(For *Sierra Leone* see **section 4**.)

23. In *Spain* and *Victoria* jewellery is dutiable, and liable to confiscation. Samples of cloth, woven fabrics, felt, and paperhangings addressed to *Spain* by post must not exceed 40 centimetres in length or width, unless the latter be well defined by a border, when it may be the full width of the piece.

(For *Straits Settlements* see **section 4**.)

24. *Sweden* and *Russia*.—Papers impressed for the use of the blind cannot be sent at printed-paper rates.

25. In *Tasmania* obliterated stamps are subject to Customs duty.

(For *Transvaal* see **section 5**.)

26. Pure spirit, articles containing spirit or into the manufacture of which spirit has entered, saccharine, sucramine, and other similar substances, cannot be sent to the *United Kingdom* by sample-post. (See also **section 16**.)

(For *United States of America* see **section 5**.)

27. In *Venezuela* printed papers other than books relating to science, art or industry catalogues and newspapers, are liable to Customs duty. They can therefore only be sent by letter or parcel post.

28. In *Victoria* advertising pamphlets, circulars, &c., sent through the post in large quantities, though not necessarily in bulk, are liable to Customs duty at 4d. per lb. (See also **section 23**.)

LIST OF BRITISH AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES TO WHICH POSTAL UNION RATES OF POSTAGE ARE CHARGED;† ALSO THEIR ROUTES OF TRANSMISSION.

[Special attention is directed to annotations (a) and (b).]

(a) Denotes that the limit of weight of pattern and sample packets for these countries is 12oz. (The maximum dimensions and weight for patterns and samples for the United Kingdom, Australia, and other countries are stated at sections 18 and 19, page 11, "Limits of Size and Weight for Patterns and Samples.")

(b) Denotes that gold, silver, precious stones, jewellery, &c., may be sent to these countries by registered letter-post. (Such articles, however, if addressed to any of the other countries with which New Zealand has parcel-post exchanges can be sent by parcel-post, except in cases in which they are specially prohibited. See "Parcel Post" elsewhere.)

For prohibited articles, see "Prohibitions."

Country, &c.	Route, via	Country, &c.	Route, via
Abyssinia	Colombo.	Austria-Hungary ..	Colombo.
Accra	London.		Plymouth.
Aden	Colombo.	Azores	Rio de Janeiro.
Addah	London.		S. Fr'isco-London.
Afghanistan* ..	Colombo.		
Africa, East ..	Colombo.	Bagamoyo ^b ..	Colombo.
Africa, South, South- east, and South- west } ..	Melbourne.	Bagdad	Colombo.
Africa, West ..	London.	Bahamas	New York.
Ahgwey	London.		Colombo.
Akassa	London.	Balearic Islands ..	S. Fr'isco-London.
Albania	S. Fr'isco-London.		Colombo.
Alexandretta ..	Colombo.	Barbados	Plymouth.
	S. Fr'isco-London.		New York.
Algeria	S. Fr'isco-London.		Colombo.
	Colombo.	Bechuanaland (liable to additional charge on delivery)	Melbourne.
Ambrizette ..	London.	Belgium *	S. Fr'isco-London.
Anam	Colombo.		Plymouth.
Andorra	S. Fr'isco-London.		Colombo.
	Colombo.	Benguela	London.
	Plymouth.	Belize	New York.
Angola	London.		Colombo.
Annobon	London.	Benin	London.
Anguilla	New York.	Bermuda ^b	New York.
	Colombo.		Colombo.
Antigua	New York.	Beyrout	Colombo.
	Colombo.		S. Fr'isco-London.
Arabia	Colombo.	Bolivia	San Francisco.
Argentine Republic ..	Monte Video.		Monte Video.
Asaba	London.	Bonny	London.
Asia, Central ..	Colombo.	Borneo, Dutch and British } ..	Torres Strait.
Ascension	London.		Colombo.
Austria-Hungary ..	S. Fr'isco-London.		

* The Postal Union rates prepay letters as far as the Indian frontier only. Correspondence for Afghanistan intended for free delivery should therefore be addressed to the care of some agent at Peshawur, who should be instructed to pay the extra postage charged by the Ameer of Cabul on correspondence passing through his territory. Mail-matter addressed to Afghanistan direct will be charged on delivery double the Afghan postage—i.e., 5 annas per "miscal," or about 5d. for one-seventh of an ounce.

† To the United Kingdom and many other places named in a list on PAGE 3 the postage-rate on letters is 1d. for each half-ounce or fraction thereof.

COUNTRIES TO WHICH POSTAL UNION RATES ARE CHARGED—*continued.*

Country, &c.	Route, <i>via</i>	Country, &c.	Route, <i>via</i>
Bourbon	Colombo.	Dar-es-Salaam ^b ..	Colombo.
Brass	London.	Delagoa Bay ..	Melbourne.
Brazil	Direct steamers.	Denmark	S. Frisco-London.
British Columbia ..	San Francisco.		Plymouth.
	Colombo.		Colombo.
British Bechuanaland ^b	Melbourne.	Diego Garcia ..	Colombo.
British Guiana ..	New York.	Djibouti	New York.
	Rio de Janeiro.	Dominica	Colombo.
Buen Ayre	New York.		
	Colombo.		
Bulgaria	S. Frisco-London.		
	Plymouth.		
	Colombo.		
Burmah	Colombo.	Ecuador	San Francisco.
			Monte Video.
		Egypt ^a	Colombo.
		England ^b	San Francisco.
			Plymouth.
			Colombo.
Cabenda	London.		
Calabar	London.		
Cambodia	Colombo.		
Cameroons ^b	London.		
Canada	San Francisco.		
	Colombo.	Falkland Islands ..	Monte Video.
Canary Islands ..	Direct steamers.		S. Frisco-London.
Candia	Colombo.	Farøe Islands ^b ..	S. Frisco-London.
	S. Frisco-London.		Plymouth.
Cape Coast Castle ..	London.		Suez-London.
Cape Colony	Melbourne.	Fernando Po	London.
Cape Verd Islands ..	Rio de Janeiro.	Forcados	London.
	S. Frisco-London.	France ^a	S. Frisco-London.
Cayenne	New York.		Plymouth.
	Rio de Janeiro.		Colombo.
Celebes	Torres Strait.		
	Colombo.		
Central Asia	Colombo.		
Ceylon	P. & O. or Orient	Gaboon	London.
	lines.	Galapagos Archipelago	San Francisco.
Chandernagore ..	Colombo.	Gambia ^b	London.
Chili	Monte Video.	Gambier Islands ..	Auckl'nd or Sydney
	San Francisco.	Germany ^b	S. Frisco-London.
China	Torres Strait.		Plymouth.
	Colombo.		Colombo.
Cochin China	Colombo.	Gibraltar ^b	Colombo.
	Torres Strait.		S. Frisco-London.
Colombia (Republic of	San Francisco.	Gilbert Islands ..	Auckl'nd or Sydney
or United States of)	Monte Video.	Goa	Colombo.
Comoro Islands ..	Colombo.	Gold Coast	London.
Congo	London.	Goree	London.
Corea	Torres Strait.	Grand Bassam ..	London.
	Colombo.	Great Britain and	San Francisco.
Costa Rica	San Francisco.	Ireland ^b	Plymouth.
	Rio de Janeiro.		Suez.
	Colombo.	Greece	Colombo.
Crete	S. Frisco-London.		S. Frisco-London.
Cuba	New York.	Greenland	Denmark.
	Colombo.	Grenada ^b	New York.
Curaçao	New York.		Colombo.
	Colombo.	Grenadines ^b ..	New York.
Cyprus ^b	Colombo.		Colombo.
	S. Frisco-London.		

COUNTRIES TO WHICH POSTAL UNION RATES ARE CHARGED—*continued.*

Country, &c.	Route, <i>via</i>	Country, &c.	Route, <i>via</i>
Guadeloupe ..	New York. Colombo.	Labuan ^b ..	Torres Strait. Colombo.
Guatemala ..	San Francisco. Rio de Janeiro.	Lagos (Africa) ^b ..	London.
Guiana, British, } Dutch, French }	New York. Rio de Janeiro.	Lamu ..	Colombo.
Guinea ..	London.	Liberia ..	London.
Half Jack ..	London.	Lindi ..	Colombo.
Hawaiian Islands ^{a b}	Auckland.	Loanda ..	London.
Hayti ..	New York. Colombo.	Los Islands ..	London.
Heligoland ^b ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Plymouth. Suez-London.	Low Archipelago (Pau- motu)	Auckland or Syd- ney.
Holland ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Plymouth. Colombo.	Loyalty Islands ..	Auckland or Syd- ney.
Honduras, British, and Republic (except western portion)	New York. Colombo.	Luxemburg ^{a b} ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Plymouth. Colombo.
Honduras Republic, western portion of	San Francisco. Rio de Janeiro.	Macao ..	Hongkong.
Hongkong ..	Torres Strait. Colombo.	Madagascar ..	Colombo.
Honolulu ^{a b} ..	Auckland.	Madeira ..	Rio de Janeiro.
Hungary ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Colombo. Plymouth.	Madura ..	Java.
Iceland ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Plymouth. Suez-London. Colombo.	Mahé (Seychelles) ..	Colombo.
India, British, French, Portuguese	Colombo.	Malta ^b ..	Colombo.
Inhambane ..	Colombo.	Manila ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Torres Strait.
Ionian Islands ..	S. Fr'isco-London. S. Fr'isco-London. Plymouth. Suez-London. Colombo.	Manitoba ..	Colombo.
Ireland ^b ..	S. Fr'isco-London.	Marquesas Islands (Mendana)	Auckland or Syd- ney.
Italy ^a ..	S. Fr'isco-London.	Marshall Islands ..	Auckland.
Jamaica ^b ..	New York. Colombo.	Martinique ..	New York. Colombo.
Japan ..	Honolulu. Hongkong.	Mashonaland ..	Melbourne.
Java ..	Torres Strait. Colombo.	Mauritius ..	Colombo.
Kilwakinje ..	Colombo.	Mayotte ..	Colombo.
		Metelin or Mytilene	Colombo.
		Mexico ..	S. Fr'isco-London. San Francisco.
		Moluccas ..	Colombo.
		Mombasa ..	Torres Strait. Colombo.
		Monaco ..	Colombo.
		Monrovia ..	S. Fr'isco-London. Colombo. Plymouth.
		Montenegro ..	London.
		Montserrat ^b ..	Colombo.
		Morocco ..	S. Fr'isco-London.
		Mosquito Territory ..	San Francisco. Rio de Janeiro.
		Mossamedes ..	London.
		Mozambique ..	Colombo.
		Muscat ..	Colombo.

COUNTRIES TO WHICH POSTAL UNION RATES ARE CHARGED—*continued.*

Country, &c.	Route, via	Country, &c.	Route, via
Natal	Melbourne.	Prince Edward Island	San Francisco.
Nevis	New York.		Colombo.
	Colombo.		
New Brunswick ..	San Francisco.	Quebec	San Francisco.
	Colombo.		Colombo.
New Caledonia ..	Sydney or Auck- land.	Quilimane	Colombo.
New Guinea, German	Brisbane.		
Newfoundland ^b ..	San Francisco.	Réunion	Colombo.
	Colombo.	Rhodes	Colombo.
Nicaragua	San Francisco.		
	Rio de Janeiro.	Rhodesia, Southern†	Melbourne.
Nicobar Islands ..	Melbourne.	Roumania	S. Frisco-London.
Niger Territory ..	London.		Plymouth.
Norway	S. Frisco-London.		S. Frisco-London.
	Plymouth.	Russia	Plymouth.
	Colombo.		Colombo.
Nossi Bé	Colombo.		
Novo Rodondo ..	London.	St. Croix (West Indies)	New York.
Nova Scotia ..	San Francisco.		Colombo.
	Colombo.	St. Domingo	New York
			Colombo.
Obock*	Colombo.	St. Eustatius ..	New York.
Ontario	San Francisco.		Colombo.
	Colombo.	St. Helena	S. Frisco-London.
Opobo	London.		Melbourne.
Orange River Colony	Melbourne.	St. John's (West In- dies)	New York.
			Colombo.
		St. Kitt's	New York.
			Colombo.
		St. Lucia (West In- dies)	New York.
			Colombo.
		St. Martin's	New York.
			Colombo.
		St. Pierre et Mique- lon	San Francisco.
			Colombo.
		St. Thomas (West In- dies)	New York.
			Colombo.
		St. Thomas (W. Africa)	London.
		St. Vincent (Cape Verd)	Rio de Janeiro.
			S. Frisco-London.
		St. Vincent (West Indies) ^b	New York.
			Colombo.
		Salt Pond	London.
		Salvador (Central America)	San Francisco.
			Rio de Janeiro.
		Samsoun	Colombo.
			S. Frisco-London.
		San Salvador (West Indies)	New York.
			Colombo.
		Sandwich Islands ..	Auckland.

* Registered letters for Obock will be delivered from Djibouti.

† Including Belinge, Bulalima, Bulawayo, Charter, Gwelo (Upper), Gwelo (Lower), Hartley, Insiza, Lomagundi, Makoni, Mangwendi, Matopo, Mawabene, Mazoe, Melsetter, Salisbury, Sebengu, Tuli, Umtali, Umzingwane, Victoria.

COUNTRIES TO WHICH POSTAL UNION RATES ARE CHARGED—*continued.*

Country, &c.	Route, <i>via</i>	Country, &c.	Route <i>via</i>
Sarawak	Torres Strait. Colombo.	Tobago	New York. Colombo.
Scotland ^b	S. Frisco-London. Plymouth. Suez-London.	Togo Territory ^b	London.
Senegal	London.	Tortola	New York. Colombo.
Senegambia	London.	Transvaal	Melbourne.
Servia	S. Frisco-London Colombo. Plymouth.	Trebizond	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.
Sette Cama	London.	Trinidad	New York. Colombo.
Seychelles	Colombo.	Tripoli	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.
Sherboro	London.	Tunis	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.
Siam	Colombo.	Turkey, European and Asiatic	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.
Siberia	Russia.	Turk's Islands	New York. Colombo.
Sicily ^a	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.		
Sierra Leone ^b	London.		
Singapore ^b	Torres Strait. Colombo.	United Kingdom ^b	San Francisco. Plymouth. Suez.
Smyrna	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.		
Society Islands (Tahiti)	Auckland.	United States of America ^a	San Francisco. Colombo.
Socotra	Colombo.	United States of Colombia	San Francisco. Monte Video.
Spain	S. Frisco-London. Plymouth.	Uruguay	Direct steamers.
Straits Settlements ^b	Torres Strait. Colombo.		
Suakim	Colombo.	Vancouver Island	San Francisco. Colombo.
Sumatra	Torres Strait. Colombo.	Venezuela	New York. Rio de Janeiro.
Surinam	New York.	Virgin Islands	New York. Colombo.
Sweden	S. Frisco-London. Plymouth. Colombo.		
Switzerland	S. Frisco-London. Colombo. Plymouth.	Wallis Islands	Auckland.
Syria	Colombo. S. Frisco-London.	West Indies	New York. Colombo.
		Whydah	London.
Tanga	Colombo.		
Tangiers	S. Frisco-London. Colombo. Plymouth.	Zanzibar	Colombo.
Teneriffe	Direct steamers.	Zululand	Melbourne.

* Gold and silver coin may be sent to the United States in registered letters.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

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 fifth day of December, one thousand nine hundred, 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 Omaka Domain Board, namely,—

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR OF BLENHEIM,
THOMAS HORTON,
ROBERT McARTNEY,
SAMUEL MUNSON NEVILLE,
FREDERICK ROBERT CHARLES RIDDLE, and
RICHARD McCALLUM

(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 two o'clock p.m., at the offices of the Borough Council, Blenheim, 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 third day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four.

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 Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 242 acres, more or less, being Sections Nos. 31 and Part 2 of 33, Omaka, Block III., Taylor Pass Survey District. Bounded towards the north partly by Sections Nos. 32 and 30, and partly by a public road, 5749 links; towards the east by the Taylor River; towards the south by a public road, 4050 links; and towards the west by Part 1 of Section No. 33, 5588 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: excluding a public road 75 links wide intersecting the section: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

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 Auckland 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 WAIHI BOROUGH COUNCIL,

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the fourth Thursday in each month, at half-past seven o'clock p.m., at the Council Chambers, Waihi, 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 Tuesday, the twenty-eighth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and four.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 133 acres 3 roods, more or less, being Section No. 15, Block XVI., Ohinemuri Survey District. Bounded towards the north generally by a road, 1529·7, 1109·4, and 1504 links; towards the east generally by a road along the Ohinemuri River, 449, 854·7, 444·9, 465·4, 738·1, 368·2, 663, and 377 links; towards the south generally by continuation of same road, 686·8, 776·7, and 268·5 links; and towards the west generally by continuation of road, 551·5, 274·4, 783·7, 1520·7, and 1008·4 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Recreation-ground in Auckland Land District brought under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

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 Auckland 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 Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 133 acres 3 roods, more or less, being Section No. 15, Block XVI., Ohinemuri Survey District. Bounded towards the north generally by a road, 1529.7, 1109.4, and 1504 links; towards the east generally by a road along the Ohinemuri River, 449, 854.7, 444.9, 465.4, 738.1, 368.2, 663, and 377 links; towards the south generally by continuation of same road, 686.8, 776.7, and 268.5 links; and towards the west generally by continuation of road, 551.5, 274.4, 783.7, 1520.7, and 1008.4 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Setting apart Reserve under "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor in Council is authorised under the said Act to set apart any specified area of Crown lands within a kauri-gum district to be a kauri-gum reserve under the said Act:

And whereas it is expedient to create and set apart the kauri-gum reserve hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby set apart the area of Crown land described in the Schedule hereto as a kauri-gum reserve, with the name set over the description of such reserve in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

MANGONUI COUNTY.

OHIA Kauri-gum Reserve Extension: 1,000 acres. For settlement in Blocks VIII. and IX., Rangaunu Survey District.

Ohia Kauri-gum Reserve Extension.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, situate in Blocks V. and VIII., Rangaunu Survey District, containing by admeasurement 1,000 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north generally by the Ohia Kauri-gum Reserve, proclaimed in *Gazette* of 13th July, 1899, page 1302; and on all other sides by a road reserved along the foreshore of Ohia Lake: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51567, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Trustees for the Hawkesbury 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

WILLIAM HALLUM

to be a Trustee, in the place of John Malloch, resigned, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Hawkesbury 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 ninth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Authorising the Exchange of a Reserve in Canterbury for other Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto was permanently set apart as a site for a gravel-pit on the third day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to exchange the said reserve for the lands described in the second column of the Schedule hereto.

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," and the third section of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1889," doth hereby declare that the said reserve described in the first column of the Schedule hereto may be exchanged for the lands described in the second column of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description of Reserve intended to be exchanged.	Description of Lands to be obtained in Exchange therefor.
All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing 5 acres, more or less, being Reserve numbered 2292 (in red), Block IX., Selwyn Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by the Terrace Road, 330.1 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 37016, 708 links; towards the south-east by the Terrace Road, 708 links; and towards the south-west by the aforesaid Section No. 37016, 708 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.	All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing 2 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section numbered 3639 (in red), Block IX., Selwyn Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by the Terrace Road, 330.1 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 2 of Block IX., Selwyn Survey District, 1149.5 links; and towards the south-west by the Rakaia Bridge Road, 1118.1 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. Also, all that parcel of land, containing 2 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section numbered 3640 (in red), Block IX., Selwyn Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Darrock's Road, 398 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 5 of Block IX., Selwyn Survey District, 568.1 links; towards the south-east by said Section No. 5, 428 links; and towards the south-west by the said Darrock's Road, 658.4 links, the southernmost corner of the said reserve being 2108.3 links in a north-easterly direction along Darrock's Road from the south-west corner of the above-mentioned Section No. 5: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

As the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 19268, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured pink.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Authorising the Exchange of Reserves in Taranaki for other Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this tenth day of December, 1903.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the lands described in the first column of the Schedule hereto were permanently set apart for General Government purposes on the nineteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to exchange the said lands for those described in the second column of the Schedule hereto:

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," and the third section of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1889," doth hereby declare that the said reserves described in the first column of the Schedule hereto may be exchanged for the lands described in the second column of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description of Reserves intended to be exchanged.	Description of Lands to be obtained in Exchange therefor.
All that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 2 roods 3 perches, more or less, being Section No. 15, Town of Ohawe; also, all that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 roods, more or less, being Section No. 282, Town of Ohawe: as the same are delineated on the plan marked S.G. 50560, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon coloured red.	All that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Sections Nos. 317 and 318, Town of Ohawe; also, all that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 3 roods 25 perches, more or less, being Section No. 320, Town of Ohawe: as the same are delineated on the plan marked S.G. 50560, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon coloured blue.

F. D. THOMSON,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Changing the Purpose of a Reserve in Nelson Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS the land described in the Schedule hereto was heretofore duly set apart for various purposes of public utility, being a reserve within Class II. of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and such land has not been vested in trust in any society, body corporate, or trustees:

And whereas it is expedient that such reserve shall be appropriated for public recreation, being a reserve in Class III. of the aforesaid Act:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the second section of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1889," do by this notification declare that the said reserve shall, from and after the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three, be appropriated for public recreation under Class III. of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881"; and I do hereby direct that this notification shall be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

All that parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement 76 acres 3 roods 8 perches, more or less, situated in Block XVI., Wai-iti Survey District, being Section No. 79b, Waimea South original district, and bounded as follows: Towards the north-east by a church reserve, 1350 links, and by Section No. 79c, 632 and 950 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 28a,

2968 links; towards the south-west by Sections Nos. 29 and 1 of 2, 2300 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 7, 3600 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51237, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Regulations for the Occupation of Pastoral Lands within the Marlborough Mining District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by section four of "The Land Act, 1892," and by section thirty-eight of "The Mining Act, 1898," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the following shall be the regulations under which pastoral licenses may be granted within such portions of the Marlborough Mining District as lie within the Counties of Marlborough and Sounds:—

REGULATIONS.

Interpretation: In these regulations, unless inconsistent with the context, the word "licensee" includes "his heirs and assigns."

1. Application may be made for any of the Crown lands within such portions of the Marlborough Mining District as lie within the Counties of Marlborough and Sounds, excepting timber and other public reserves, and the areas described in the Schedule attached hereto.

2. The area which may be applied for under these regulations shall not be less than 100 acres nor exceed 1,000 acres, and shall entitle the holder thereof to the exclusive right of pasturage over the lands specified therein, but shall give no right to the soil, or timber, or minerals.

3. The Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Land District of Marlborough may, with the approval of the Land Board and Warden, grant not more than one pastoral license under these regulations to any person of the age of seventeen years and upwards who may apply for the same.

4. Annual rent payable under the license shall be a sum to be fixed by the Land Board of the Marlborough Land District (hereinafter referred to as "the Land Board"), but shall be not less than 3d. per acre, payable half-yearly in advance to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Blenheim, together with the lease fee of £1.

5. Term of license to be twenty-one years, and upon the expiration of the term it shall be competent for the Land Board to grant a renewal for twenty-one years over the whole or part of the area comprised in the license, upon such terms as they think fit, subject to the Warden's approval and section 207 of "The Land Act, 1892." Such license shall be issued subject to the terms and conditions, as nearly as may be, contained in section 199 of the said Act.

6. No deposit of survey fees shall be required, except in exceptional cases, which shall be determined by the Land Board, who shall fix the amount of deposit, which shall not exceed 1s. 6d. per acre. Pastoral areas to be defined where possible by ridge or other natural boundaries already determined by the mining surveys made for mining claims.

7. The licensee shall have the right to the use of the surface soil only of the demised land, for the purpose provided for in his license, as already set forth in Regulation No. 2.

8. The licensee shall have no right, either himself or through any other person, to fell, cut, sell, remove, or otherwise dispose of any kauri, totara, puriri, matai, rimu, mangeo, pohutukawa, or other reserved trees being on the land included in his license, except in conformity with the regulations under the Mining Acts for the time being in force.

9. The licensee shall not be entitled to fell, cut, or remove any timber growing on the land comprised in his license, except for his domestic use, or for fencing or clearing for cultivation; and no trees exceeding 2 ft. in diameter are to be cut down without the special permission of the Warden.

10. The licensee shall by virtue of his pastoral license acquire no rights to mine for gold, silver, or any other metals or minerals whatsoever, without first obtaining the sanction of the Warden in the manner provided for by the mining laws.

11. The holders of miners' rights shall have the right to prospect over the whole area held under pastoral license, and for that purpose to enter and camp thereon, and to use mining-timber (not being reserved trees) and firewood grow-

ing thereon, so long as they are legitimately engaged in prospecting; but any prospecting carried on upon the cultivated area surrounding the dwelling of the licensee, as limited by Regulation No. 13 hereof, shall be subject to the provisions of sections 72 and 73 of "The Mining Act, 1898."

12. The Warden shall have the right to grant any mining privilege or easement in and over the land comprised in a pastoral lease, subject to the compensation for improvements as provided for in "The Mining Act, 1898," and its amendments.

13. No previous consent shall be required from the licensee to enable the Warden to grant any application which may be lawfully made to him under the Mining Act or regulations for the time being in force in and over the lands comprised in a pastoral license, unless the applicant encroaches upon the area containing the dwellinghouse or immediately surrounding same, provided the dwelling is of a substantial nature, the land in cultivation, and surrounded by a substantial fence. For the purpose of this proviso, and for the purpose of Regulation No. 11 hereof, the area to be protected to the licensee around his dwelling shall be 15 acres. Provided, however, in all cases where the area which otherwise would be protected is not cultivated or substantially fenced, then so much only of the area as is substantially fenced or cultivated shall be protected.

14. The Warden shall have the power from time to time to make such reserves as he may deem necessary, and the same shall thereupon be excluded from the land comprised in a pastoral license, and rent shall be proportionally reduced as set forth in Regulation No. 16, and the Warden may do all such other things as may in his opinion be of benefit to the resident community, or may in any way conduce to the advancement of the mining industry or of the persons engaged therein.

15. The Crown and the local bodies shall have the right to survey and take all lands necessary for the construction of roads on the demised pastoral lands, and compensation only for the value of substantial improvements made by the licensee will be paid in case of land resumed for public purposes.

16. For all land resumed for public or mining purposes a reduction proportionate to the acreage resumed on future annual rentals shall be made.

17. Applications to transfer a license under these regulations shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and shall be subject to the approval of the Land Board. No transfer will be allowed until permanent improvements have been effected to the value of 2s. per acre upon the area held under the license. Such permanent improvements shall include reclamation from swamps, clearing of bush and scrub (not required by the Warden for mining purposes, or of trees of a specified size, as in Regulation No. 9), gorse, broom, or sweetbriar, grassing, cultivation, planting with trees and live hedges, the laying-out and cultivating of gardens, fencing, grassing, draining, making roads, sinking wells or water-tanks, sheep-dips, making embankments or protective works of any kind, in any way improving the character or fertility of the soil, or the erection of any building at lessee's option upon the protected area of 15 acres, as described in Regulation No. 13.

18. Forfeiture of all licenses may ensue if payment of rental is not made within three months of the date it is due, or if the licensee fails to effect substantial improvements to the value of 2s. per acre within three years from the date of the license.

19. All existing pack-tracks, whether surveyed or not, to remain available for public use, and where the licensee fences across the same a swing-gate must be provided to the satisfaction of the Warden.

20. Every holder of a miner's right shall have the right of ingress and egress over the whole area of a pastoral license, excepting so much thereof as may be under cultivation and substantially fenced, as provided in paragraph 13 of these regulations.

21. All water rights are reserved to the Crown, but not so as to deprive the licensee's stock of access to the water on his holding.

Schedule.—Areas excluded from Application under the Regulations for the Occupation of Pastoral Lands within the Marlborough Mining District.

Havelock Township: An area comprised within a radius of one mile from the Post-office.

Cullensville Township: An area comprised within a radius of one mile from the Post-office.

Canvastown Township: An area comprised within a radius of one mile from the public school.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
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:

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 purpose 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 roods 35 perches, more or less, being Section No. 68, Mowhanau Village. Bounded towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 63, 64, and 65; towards the north-east by Section No. 66; towards the south-east by Tangi Street; and towards the south-west by Section No. 67. For a site for a public school.

All that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 36 perches, more or less, being Section No. 64, Mowhanau Village. Bounded towards the north-west by Rimu Street; towards the north-east by Section No. 65; towards the south-east by Section No. 68; and towards the south-west by Section No. 63. For a site for a public school.

As the same are delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51506, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land 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 purpose 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, containing by admeasurement 54 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 6 of Block II., Mangamuka Survey District. Bounded towards the east generally by Section No. 5 of Block II., Mangamuka Survey District; and towards the south-west and north generally by the Mangamuka River.

Also all that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 53 acres 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 8 of Block II., Mangamuka Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 7 of Block II., Mangamuka Survey District; towards the north-east generally by the Mangamuka River; towards the south-west generally by a public road; and towards the west by unadjudicated Native land: as the same are delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51486, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For preservation of scenery.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four; 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.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area	Cash Price.			Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.		Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Wallace ..	Waiau ..	49	V.	A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	
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"	"	50	"	201 0 19	0 10 0	100 12 6	0 6	2 10 6	0 4 8	2 0 6	
Section No. 49 is weighted with £76, valuation for grassing, fencing, and sheep-yards.											
Section No. 50 is weighted with £130, valuation for house and outbuildings, garden, grassing, and fencing.											
Situated about a mile and a half from Eastern Bush Township by fair summer road. Open land; well watered; inferior clay soil.											
Southland	Invercargill Hundred	52	XXIII.	24 1 24	1 0 0	24 10 0	1 0	0 12 3	0 9 6	0 9 10	
		Ditto ..	53	"	24 1 24	1 0 0	24 10 0	1 0	0 12 3	0 9 6	0 9 10
		" ..	111	"	24 2 31	1 0 0	24 15 0	1 0	0 12 5	0 9 6	0 9 11
Section No. 53 is weighted with £9, valuation for fencing and clearing.											
Situated near Waimatua Siding, on the Seaward Bush Railway. No road access to Sections Nos. 52 and 53, but there is a fair summer road to Section No. 111. Timber on sections all kamahi, fit only for firewood.											

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.			Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.		Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Wallace ..	Centre Hill	5, 6, 7	XIV.	A. R. P. £ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	
		778 2 28		0 7 6	292 2 6	0 4 5	7 6 1	0 3 6	5 16 10		
Weighted with £194 5s., valuation for fencing, ploughing, ditching, and draining.											
Situated about nine miles from Mossburn Railway-station; road partly formed for about three miles, rest clay road. Open land; soil inferior; stiff clay; well watered.											
Southland	Campbelltown Hundred	34	IV.	100 0 34	1 0 0	100 0 0	1 0	2 10 0	0 9 6	2 0 0	
		Weighted with £4 10s., valuation for fencing.									
Situated about two miles from Greenhills Railway-station; formed road to within a quarter of a mile of section. Soil clay and peaty; rock formation; well watered. Bush land; a few large red- and white-pine trees scattered over section, also kamahi; bush only fit for firewood; scrub heavy.											

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Southland	Otara ..	28	VI.	A. R. P. 131 1 0 | 0 13 2	£ s. d. 86 8 2	s. d. 0 7-9	£ s. d. 2 3 3	s. d. 0 6-32	£ s. d. 1 14 7	Situated about three miles from Tokonui Gorge by partly formed road to within a quarter of a mile of section. Poor clay soil; well watered; land partly open, balance covered with bush of no commercial value, being mostly kamahi, with some red and white pine; scrub heavy.
Southland	Invercargill Hundred	117	XX.	5 2 8 | 0 10 0	2 15 6	0 6	0 1 5	0 4 8	0 1 1	Situated about ten miles from Town of Invercargill; formed road to within one mile and a quarter of section, no road remainder of distance. Soil sandy loam; worked-out bush land, containing some scattered black-pine and kamahi, suitable only for firewood; scrub light.
Southland	Waikawa ..	50	VII.	63 3 13 | 0 12 6	40 0 0	0 7-5	1 0 0	0 6	0 16 0	Weighted with £21, valuation for grassing and fencing. Situated about three miles from Waikawa Township; access by good formed road to within 5 chains of section. Soil inferior and peaty; about 15 acres cleared, balance covered with light bush, chiefly kamahi and manuka, fit only for fencing or firewood; scrub heavy.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this ninth day of December, 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 enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on and after the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase or on lease in perpetuity, or, in respect of any land containing or supposed to contain any metal, mineral, or valuable stone, be selected on lease in perpetuity only; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Hokianga ..	Waiku ..	7	XII.	A. R. P. 203 0 29 | 0 13 6	£ s. d. 137 0 6	s. d. 0 8-1	£ s. d. 3 8 6	s. d. 0 6-48	£ s. d. 2 14 10	Broken and undulating forest land of fair quality; well watered. Situated within Auckland Special Settlement Block and fronting Hokianga-Opanake Road, about twenty-two miles from Opanake Railway-station. Some grassing has been done on Section 7.
" ..	" ..	8	"	190 1 24 | 0 12 6	118 15 0	0 7-5	2 19 5	0 6	2 7 6	
" ..	" ..	9	"	200 0 0 | 0 15 0	150 0 0	0 9	3 15 0	0 7-2	3 0 0	
Hokianga ..	Waiku ..	4	XVI.	200 0 0 | 0 12 6	125 0 0	0 7-5	3 2 6	0 6	2 10 0	Broken and undulating lands of fair quality, covered with mixed forest; situated in the Auckland Special Settlement Block, from eighteen to twenty-five miles from Opanake, with frontage to Opanake-Taheke and Waimamaku-Taheke Roads. Section 11 is weighted with £34 10s., valuation for house and grassing. Some grassing has been done on Sections 27 and 28.
" ..	" ..	6	"	201 2 0 | 0 13 0	131 6 0	0 7-8	3 5 8	0 6-2	2 12 6	
" ..	" ..	7	"	200 0 0 | 0 12 6	125 0 0	0 7-5	3 2 6	0 6	2 10 0	
" ..	" ..	11	"	203 2 0 | 0 15 0	153 0 0	0 9	3 16 6	0 7-2	3 1 3	
" ..	" ..	13	"	200 0 0 | 0 15 0	150 0 0	0 9	3 15 0	0 7-2	3 0 0	
" ..	" ..	16	"	200 0 0 | 0 13 0	150 0 0	0 7-8	3 15 0	0 6-2	3 0 0	
" ..	" ..	17	"	196 2 0 | 0 12 6	123 2 6	0 7-5	3 1 7	0 6	2 9 3	
" ..	" ..	25	"	200 0 0 | 0 13 0	130 0 0	0 7-8	3 5 0	0 6-2	2 12 0	
" ..	" ..	26	"	200 0 0 | 0 14 0	140 0 0	0 8-4	3 10 0	0 6-72	2 16 0	
" ..	" ..	27	"	218 1 24 | 0 14 6	158 1 0	0 8-7	3 19 0	0 6-96	3 3 3	
" ..	" ..	28	"	218 1 0 | 0 14 6	158 1 0	0 8-7	3 19 0	0 6-96	3 3 3	
" ..	" ..	29	"	204 3 0 | 0 15 0	153 15 0	0 9	3 16 11	0 7-2	3 1 6	

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved 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 land in the Westland 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 Westland Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres and 19 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 356, Block V., Kanieri Survey District. Bounded by a line commencing at peg No. 5 on the north side of a public road, and proceeding thence in a north-easterly direction along said line bearing N. 10° 40' E., 1030.1 links, to peg No. 4; thence in a south-easterly direction along a line bearing S. 56° 2' E., 765.5 links, to peg No. 3; thence in a south-westerly direction along a line bearing S. 15° 2' W., 464 links, to peg No. 2 on public road aforesaid; and thence again in a south-westerly direction along aforesaid public road bearing S. 79° 2' W., 718.2 links, to peg No. 5 aforesaid: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49070, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon edged red. For public recreation.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Amending the Description of a Reserve in the Auckland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the two-hundred-and-thirty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any notification of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notifications in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description: And whereas an error was made in the description of Lot No. 25A of Section No. 10, Suburbs of Auckland, Auckland Land District, which was wrongly stated as being part of Allotment No. 25A of Section No. 10, Suburbs of Auckland, Auckland Land District, and containing an area of one acre and twenty-seven perches, in the notifications dated the twenty-fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and the seventeenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 56, of the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and No. 65, of the nineteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, reserving the land for a school-site; and it is expedient to cancel the said notifications in so far as they relate to part of Allotment No. 25A of Section No. 10, Suburbs of Auckland, Auckland Land District, aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the notifications of the twenty-fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and the seventeenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, in so far as they relate to part of Allotment No. 25A of Section No. 10, Suburbs of Auckland, Auckland Land District, and do declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be the land set apart for a school-site intended by the said notifications.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 roods 10.8 perches, more or less, being Lot No. 25A of Section No. 10 of the Suburbs of

Auckland. Bounded towards the north by Lot No. 25a (water reserve) of Section No. 10, Suburbs of Auckland; towards the east by a road forming the western boundary of Lot No. 25 of aforesaid Section No. 10; towards the south by a road; and towards the west by a road known as Gillies Avenue: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51516, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered purple.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Regulations for the Conservation and Use of the Hanmer Thermal Springs and Grounds.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the two-hundred-and-forty-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notification revoke the regulations made under the said Act on the seventeenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the thirtieth day of June then instant, and in lieu thereof do hereby make the following regulations for the use by the public of the reserve, and grounds pertaining thereto, which contains the thermal springs situated at Hanmer Plains, in the Land District of Canterbury, for regulating the use of such springs by the public, the fees to be charged for such use, and generally for the purposes more particularly set forth in the said section in relation to thermal springs.

REGULATIONS.

1. THESE regulations apply to the planted and enclosed ground at Hanmer Plains, in the Canterbury Land District, which is the property of the Crown, together with the buildings, thermal springs, and baths thereon, known as "the Hanmer Hot Springs."

THE SPA ACCOMMODATION-HOUSE.

2. Application for residence at the accommodation-house known as "The Spa" shall be made to the Manager of The Spa, Hanmer Hot Springs; but persons suffering from tuberculosis or other contagious or infectious diseases shall not under any circumstances be admitted to The Spa or to the baths.

3. The charges for accommodation and residence at The Spa, for bath tickets, and for players' tickets, shall be in accordance with the Schedule hereto.

4. When there is sufficient accommodation persons may be admitted to the second-class portion of The Spa free of charge on the following conditions:—

- (a.) That each application for such admission shall be made to the Superintendent of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts, Wellington, and each such application shall be accompanied by a medical practitioner's certificate showing nature of complaint, and stating that the applicant is not suffering from tuberculosis or other contagious or infectious disease, and is a fit patient for and is likely to receive benefit from a course of baths at Hanmer Hot Springs;
- (b.) That each applicant shall have been a resident of New Zealand for more than twelve months prior to the application, and shall satisfy the Superintendent that he or she has not sufficient means to pay for such accommodation and baths;
- (c.) That the expenses to and from Hanmer are provided by or for each such applicant, together with a sufficient supply of clothing;
- (d.) That not more than three such applicants shall be resident at The Spa at any time;
- (e.) That the residence in The Spa of each such person shall be limited to three months, but the said Superintendent may at his discretion further extend the duration of such residence.

5. Smoking is prohibited in any portion of The Spa building other than in those rooms provided for that purpose.

BATHS.

6. Hours of admission to baths shall be as authorised by the Minister in charge of the Tourist and Health Resorts Department. Admission shall be obtained by ticket only. Each bather shall present a ticket to the bath attendant, who shall clip it and, if it has no further currency, retain it.

7. Special baths are provided for persons having disease or disorder of the skin. Every person so affected shall inform the Manager or ticket-issuer of the fact when applying for a

ticket. Any such person failing to so furnish such information will be liable to a penalty not exceeding £10.

8. No person shall occupy a bath for a longer period than thirty minutes at one time.

9. No bather shall use a continuous stream of hot water during the time he is in any private bath supplied from any thermal spring subject to these regulations. The supply of water to private baths shall be controlled by the bath attendants.

10. No garment or covering of any description shall be worn by any person when using any public bath.

11. Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the bath-rooms or swimming-pools, or about the premises respectively pertaining thereto.

12. No person shall place in any bath or swimming-pool subject to these regulations any clothes, soap, or any substance or article.

13. No person shall place, deposit, or leave any bottle or glass, paper, straw, dirt, rubbish, or any offensive or noxious matter of any kind in any bathing-house, bath, or pool subject to these regulations.

14. No dog shall be allowed on the premises of or in any bath or swimming-pool.

15. Every person using any bath or swimming-pool subject to these regulations shall conform to and abide by such regulations, and in case any such person shall, while using any such bath or swimming-pool, commit any indecency or breach of the peace, or be guilty of any disorderly conduct, or commit a breach of any of these regulations numbered 6 to 15 inclusive, the Manager, or any person duly authorised by him, may require any such person forthwith to leave the premises, or in default thereof may eject such person, or cause him to be ejected, from such premises, and that without prejudice to any proceedings for a penalty or otherwise.

GROUNDS.

16. The grounds used in connection with the springs shall be open to the public free of charge, subject to the provisions of these regulations: Provided that the Superintendent of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts may, if it be deemed expedient, declare the grounds or any portion closed; and may at specified times direct that a charge be made for admission, such charge not to exceed the sum of one shilling.

17. No person shall pick any flower, or break or destroy or injure any plant, shrub, or tree growing on land subject to these regulations; and if any person commit a breach of this regulation he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £5, in addition to paying for the damage done.

18. No person shall place, deposit, or leave any bottle or glassware, paper, straw, dirt, rubbish, or any offensive or noxious matter of any kind within the grounds or any part thereof.

19. No person shall place in any thermal spring subject to these regulations, or in any spring or pool, or in any water-race, channel, or reservoir, within the grounds, any clothes, or soap, or any substance or article.

20. No horse, dog, or other animal shall be allowed inside the grounds or any part thereof which are subject to these regulations; and for each time any horse, dog, or other animal trespasses or is allowed to trespass on such grounds, the owner of such horse, dog, or other animal will be liable to a penalty not exceeding £1.

This regulation does not apply to horses drawing any carriage, nor to saddled horses, nor to dogs which are led by a cord or chain.

21. No person shall ride a bicycle through the grounds or any part thereof; and any person so doing shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £1.

22. No person shall trespass upon any portion of the reserves within any enclosure which is set apart for planting or where the soil is loose and prepared for cultivation, or upon grass kept cut for lawns or ornamental purposes; nor shall any person fail to close any gate he may have opened to gain access to any part of the grounds.

Any person infringing this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £1.

23. The bowling-green, tennis-court, and croquet-lawn shall be open to players on such days and at such times as the Manager may approve.

24. The bowling-green, tennis-court, and croquet-lawn shall not be open to players on Sundays.

25. All playing fees shall be paid in advance, and a ticket obtained.

26. Tickets shall be obtained at the ticket-office only, and must be submitted to the attendant for inspection on demand.

27. Material for playing may be obtained from the attendant, and players shall return it to him before leaving the grounds.

28. Players shall not play more than one game or set when other players desire to play.

29. Bowls-players shall deliver their bowls with both feet on a mat, and must not drop any bowl on the green.

30. Persons wearing boots or shoes with nails or heels shall not be allowed on the bowling-green, tennis-court, or croquet lawn.

31. The Manager may refuse to issue tickets for games to any person or persons convicted of any act of indecency, disorderly conduct, or breach of the peace, or who may have been ejected from the baths or grounds for any such reason, or on account of objectionable conduct.

32. Any person who is a season-ticket holder shall be liable to have his ticket cancelled should he commit a breach of any of these regulations.

33. Every person using or passing through the grounds subject to these regulations or any part thereof shall conform to and abide by such regulations; and in case any person shall, while using or passing through any of the grounds, commit any indecency or a breach of the peace, or be guilty of any disorderly conduct, or of behaving to the annoyance of others, such person may be summarily ejected from the grounds and shall be liable as for a breach of these regulations.

34. For the purpose hereof, the Superintendent of Tourist and Health Resorts shall have charge of gardens, grounds, enclosures, paths, and the premises pertaining thereto, and as regards any part of the grounds subject to these regulations, the Manager, or other person in charge thereof at the time, shall have authority to carry out these regulations.

35. Except where otherwise specially provided, every person committing a breach of or failing to observe the provisions of these regulations shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding £20.

36. The expression "Manager" means the person having the general charge and control (under the direction of the said Superintendent) of the Hanmer Hot Springs, baths, and the land and premises pertaining thereto.

Schedule.

The fees to be charged for accommodation and residence at The Spa shall be—

For first-class accommodation—

For each meal or bed .. 2s.

" day's residence .. 7s. per day for the first seven days, and 6s. per day for each continuous day after the first seven days.

For second-class accommodation—

For each meal or bed .. 1s. 6d.

" day's residence .. 4s. per day for the first seven days, and 3s. per day for each continuous day after the first seven days.

The charges for bath tickets shall be—

For visitors' private bath 9d.

" visitors' public bath 6d.

" child visitors' private bath 4d.

" child visitors' public bath 3d.

" residents' private bath 6d.

" residents' public bath 3d.

" child residents' private bath 3d.

" child residents' public bath 1d.

" hot-air and douche bath 3s.

" douche and massage bath (for fifteen minutes) 2s. 6d.

" massage (maximum one hour) 5s.

" visitors' commutation tickets for 25 private baths 15s.

" visitors' commutation tickets for 25 public baths 10s.

" visitors' commutation tickets for 12 private baths 8s.

" visitors' commutation tickets for 12 public baths 5s. 6d.

" residents' commutation tickets for 25 public baths 5s.

" residents' family commutation tickets for 25 public baths 5s.

One towel will be supplied free for the use of each visitor using a bath, but a charge of 2d. will be made for each additional towel supplied to visitor, except in the case of hot-air and douche, douche and massage, or massage, when towels and all other material are provided by the Department.

A "resident" means a person who has continuously resided for not less than six months within a radius of five miles from the Hanmer Post-office.

The charges for players' tickets shall be—For bowls, single game, 6d. for each game; for tennis, 3d. for each set; for croquet, 3d. for each game. For bowls, season tickets, 10s. 6d.; for tennis, season tickets, 10s. 6d.; for croquet, season tickets, 10s. 6d.

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

J. G. WARD,
Minister in charge of Department of Tourist and Health Resorts.

Officer under the Fisheries Conservation Acts appointed, Canterbury.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 3rd December, 1903.

IT is hereby notified that

DAVID HOPE,

of Rangiora, has been appointed to be an Officer for the purposes of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," and the Acts amending the same.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

Ranger under the Animals Protection Acts, Canterbury District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th December, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

DAVID HOPE

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1903.

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

Name.	District.
THOMAS BENJAMIN SALMON	Campbelltown.
JOHN WAGSTAFF BRAME	Balclutha.
JOHN MILLER	Wyndham.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1903.

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.
ALBERT ERNEST MOORE	Ohinemuri.
ROBERT MARTIN	Dargaville.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

Appointment of Joint Managers and Acting Accountant, Invercargill Savings-Bank.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

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

RADFORD HENRY BRODRICK

to be Joint Manager with

THOMAS BRODRICK,

and

WILLIAM DAVID PETTIGREW

to be Acting Accountant, of the Invercargill Savings-Bank.

R. J. SEDDON.

Deputy Registrar of Industrial Unions appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JAMES MACKAY

to be Deputy Registrar of Industrial Unions under "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1903."

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Inspectors of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 11th December, 1903.

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

ERNEST ALFRED LE CREN.

ALFRED JOHN RAMSBOTTOM ISHERWOOD.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Labour.

Inspector under "The Dairy Industry Act, 1898," and "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900," appointed.—Notice No. 842.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 15th December, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FRANCIS STEWART

to be an Inspector for the purposes of "The Dairy Industry Act, 1898," and an Inspector for the purposes of "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900"; the appointments to date from the 19th November, 1903.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Cadet appointed.

Head Office, Stamp Department,
Wellington, 11th December, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

F. O. V. ACHESON

to be a cadet in the Stamp Office at Wellington as from the 7th day of December, 1903.

J. CARROLL,
Commissioner of Stamps.

Volunteer Officer promoted and placed on Active List.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 9th December, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following promotion:-

Captain HENRY SMART EDGAR HOBDAI (Unattached Active List, New Zealand Volunteers)

to be Major on the Active List, and with effect from the 14th July, 1901.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1903.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the undermentioned officer:-

Dunedin Volunteer Cycle Corps.

Albert Edward Wolstenholme to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 4th March, 1903.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1903.

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

Ranfurly Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Charles Gerald Fitzgerald Eagar. Date of resignation, 17th August, 1903.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Justices of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

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

SYDNEY HENRY JAMES, Esquire, of Stratford, and
GEORGE REYNOLDS, Esquire, of Featherston,

of their appointments as Justices of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

JAS. MCGOWAN.

Member of Khandallah Domain Board resigned.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

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

ALBERT EVANS BYBLES

as a member of the Khandallah Domain Board.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Special Order made by the Parihaka Road Board, County of Egmont, making By-laws.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1903.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

PARIHAKA ROAD BOARD.

I, JAMES BOLTON KNOWLES, Clerk to the Parihaka Road Board, do hereby certify—

1. That at the ordinary meeting of the Board held at Rahotu on Wednesday, the 11th day of November, 1903, and after due compliance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882," relative to the making of special orders, a special order was made by the Board of which the following is a true copy: "That the Parihaka Road Board now, by way of special order, makes the following by-laws for the regulation of wheeled traffic on or over the roads, bridges, ferries, and fords within the Parihaka Road District under the care, control, and management of the Parihaka Road Board, and that such by-laws shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 1904."

2. That a true copy of such by-laws is annexed hereto. Dated at Rahotu, this 7th day of December, 1903.

JAMES BOLTON KNOWLES,
Clerk to the Parihaka Road Board.

BY-LAWS FOR THE REGULATION OF TRAFFIC ON ROADS.

In pursuance of the powers, provisions, and authorities contained in "The Road Boards Act, 1882," and the amendments thereto, "The Public Works Act, 1894," and the amendments thereto, and in pursuance of all other enabling powers and provisions, the Parihaka Road Board does hereby, in respect of all roads and bridges, ferries, and fords under the care, control, and management of the said Board, make the following by-laws, which by-laws shall come into force upon the 1st day of January, 1904:—

1. The width of the tires of the wheels of each and every vehicle and machine (except as hereinafter specified) drawn, used, or engaged on, over, or upon any road, bridge, ferry, or ford within the Parihaka Road District under the care, control, and management of the Parihaka Road Board shall be in proportion to the number of wheels thereof, and to the weight and the load carried thereon, and shall not be less than the respective width specified in the Schedule hereto (which Schedule forms part of these by-laws); and no person shall drive on, over, or upon any such road, bridge, ferry, or ford within the Parihaka Road District any of the descriptions of vehicles or machines mentioned in the said Schedule with any greater load or less width of tires of the wheels of such vehicle or machine than is specified in the said Schedule.

2. Every person committing a breach of the provisions of the last preceding by-law shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding £5 for each such breach.

3. The driver of any vehicle or machine being drawn or used upon or over any road, bridge, ferry, or ford in the Parihaka Road District shall, whenever required so to do by any officer or person authorised or employed for the purpose of the said Board, cause such vehicle or machine to be and to remain stopped for a reasonable and sufficient time

for the purpose of allowing such officer or person to inspect and examine such vehicle and machine, and every or any part thereof, and the load being transported therein, and the driver shall permit such inspection and examination accordingly, and no person shall obstruct any such officer or person in or about making such inspection or examination; and such driver shall, at the request of the officer or person so authorised or employed as aforesaid, give such information as to the load being transported in or by such vehicle or machine, and as to the quantity, weight, size, or measurement of the same, as such officer or person shall require.

4. Every such driver committing a breach of any of the provisions of the last preceding by-law shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £5 for every such breach.

5. And it is hereby prescribed that the weight of timber carried on any vehicle or machine subject to these by-laws shall be ascertained by measurement at the rate of 500 superficial feet of timber to the ton avoirdupois; and it is further prescribed that the manner of ascertaining the weight of the following articles shall be by computation, according to the following scale:—

Firewood	..	$\frac{3}{8}$ of a cord to 1 ton weight avoirdupois.
Boulders, gravel, or broken stone	..	$\frac{4}{7}$ of 1 cubic yard to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Bricks	..	350 to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Coal	..	12 sacks to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Barley	..	11 sacks of 4 bushels to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Oats	..	14 sacks of 4 bushels to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Wheat	..	10 sacks of 4 bushels to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Potatoes	..	12 sacks of 4 bushels to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Maize	..	10 sacks of 4 bushels to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Bonedust	..	10 sacks to 1 ton avoirdupois.
Wool	..	5 bales to 1 ton avoirdupois.

6. The maximum load to be carried at any one time by any vehicle or machine shall be 6 tons avoirdupois.

7. The owner or driver of any vehicle or machine as aforesaid carrying a heavier load than is specified in the last preceding by-law shall, each time such vehicle shall carry such heavier load, severally commit and be deemed to have committed a breach of the last preceding by-law, and shall be severally liable to a penalty not exceeding £5 for every such breach.

8. These by-laws shall not apply to any vehicle or machine carrying passengers only, or to any vehicle or machine carrying a load less than 10 cwt. in weight.

Vehicle.	No. of Wheels.	Schedule.		Weight carried. Cwt.
		Width of Tire, in Inches.		
Dray or trap	.. 2	.. 2	..	10
"	.. 2	.. 2½	..	15
"	.. 2	.. 3	..	20
"	.. 2	.. 3½	..	25
"	.. 2	.. 4	..	30
"	.. 2	.. 5	..	40
"	.. 2	.. 6	..	50
Wagon, express, or brake	.. 4	.. 2	..	17
Ditto	.. 4	.. 2½	..	25
"	.. 4	.. 3	..	34
"	.. 4	.. 3½	..	42
"	.. 4	.. 4	..	50
"	.. 4	.. 5	..	67
"	.. 4	.. 6	..	84
Engine or machine	.. 4	.. 6	..	60
"	.. 4	.. 8	..	80
"	.. 4	.. 10	..	over 80
Junkers	.. 4	.. 8	..	up to 120

(minimum width of tire).

The above is a true copy of the by-laws made by special order of the Parihaka Road Board dated the 11th day of November, 1903.

JAMES B. KNOWLES,
Clerk to the Parihaka Road Board.

Special Order made by the Norsewood Road Board, County of Waipawa.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

NORSEWOOD ROAD BOARD.

Special Order re Noxious Weed.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following special order was made on Monday, the 7th day of December, 1903, in terms of section 75 of "The Road Boards Act, 1882":—

Declaring that ragwort shall be deemed to be a noxious weed within the jurisdiction of the Norsewood Road Board.

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

O. ERICKSEN,
Clerk.

Special Order made by the Council of the Borough of Hawera.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

THE following special order, made by the Hawera Borough Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

HAWERA BOROUGH COUNCIL.

SPECIAL ORDER made by the Hawera Borough Council at a special meeting held on Monday, 2nd November, 1903, and confirmed at a meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 2nd December, 1903:—

That, 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 Hawera Borough Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £3,948 authorised to be raised by the Hawera Borough Council under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," for the purpose of drainage extension, the said Hawera Borough Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 2d. in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all rateable property within the Borough of Hawera; 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 June and the 1st day of December 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.

In witness whereof the common seal of the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Hawera was affixed, this 3rd day of December, 1903, in the presence of—

B. C. ROBBINS, Mayor.
FRED M. BENNETT, Councillor.
B. A. MEEK, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a special order made by the Hawera Borough Council at a special meeting on 2nd November, 1903, and confirmed at a meeting on 2nd December, 1903.

B. A. MEEK,
Hawera, 3rd December, 1903.
Town Clerk.

Special Order made by the Council of the County of Pahiatua.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

THE following special order, made by the Pahiatua County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

PAHIATUA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Special Order making Special Rate.—Loan No. 66.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Counties Act, 1886," the Pahiatua County Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing interest and other charges on a loan of £150 authorised to be raised by the Pahiatua County Council under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901" (section 14 and subsection (c) of section 59), for the purpose of forming and metalling about 32 chains of Avery's Road, starting from the Main Road, the said Pahiatua County Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 3d. in the pound upon the unimproved rateable valuation of all the rateable property comprising the Avery's Road Special-rating District, viz., Sections 2 and 3, Block XL, Mangahao; and that such special rate shall be an annually recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be

payable on the 1st April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, at 3½ per cent. per annum, or until the loan is fully paid off.

The above special order was duly made and passed at a special meeting of the Pahiatua County Council on 5th September, 1903, and confirmed at a special meeting of the said Council on 7th November, 1903.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
Chairman.

Special Order made by the Council of the Borough of Gisborne.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

THE following special order, made by the Gisborne Borough Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

C. H. MILLS,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF GISBORNE.

Special Order making Special Rate.—£4,000 Abattoir Loan.
IN pursuance and exercise of the power vested in it in that behalf by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," "The Rating Act, 1894," and "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and amendments thereof, the Gisborne Borough Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest, sinking fund, and other charges upon a loan of £4,000, authorised to be raised by the Gisborne Borough Council, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and amendments thereof, for the establishment of public abattoirs, the said Gisborne Borough Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 1d. in the pound sterling upon the annual rateable valuation of all rateable property within the Borough of Gisborne, as defined in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 14th May, 1877, folio 526; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 30th day of June and the 31st day of December 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 rate of interest on such loan being 3½ per cent. per annum. And it is further resolved that the interest upon the loan shall be paid out of the charges, rents, and tolls accruing from such public abattoirs, and in that case the special rate will not be collected except to make good any deficiency that may occur through the revenue from such abattoirs being insufficient to meet the interest and lawful charges upon the loan.

Passed at a special meeting of the said Borough Council of Gisborne on the 10th November, 1903, and confirmed at a properly constituted meeting of the said Council held on the 8th December, 1903.

We hereby certify that the above special order has been duly made. In witness whereof the seal of the said Council has been hereunto affixed, this 9th day of December, 1903.

JOHN TOWNLEY,
Mayor.
R. D. B. ROBINSON,
Town Clerk.

Special Order made by the Frankley Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Colonial Treasurer.

FRANKLEY ROAD BOARD.

Special Order making Special Rates.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," the Frankley Road Board hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £2,000, and a further sum of £200, being 10 per cent. on the £2,000 as allowed by law, authorised to be raised by the Frankley Road Board, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," for the following purposes—£500 to be spent in forming and metalling the upper portion of the Frankley Road from the present metal to Welbourne gate, £1,700 to be spent in purchasing land for road-deviation, making tunnel, cutting down, forming, and

metalling the first two miles of the Frankley Road from the borough boundary—the said Frankley Road Board hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ d., and a further $\frac{1}{2}$ d., being the interest on the further £200, in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all rateable property of the Frankley Road Rating District; and that such special rates shall be annual-recurring rates during the currency of such loans, 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 loans, being a period of forty-one years, or until the loans are fully paid off.

This special order will be confirmed at a special meeting of the Frankley Road Board to be held on Saturday, 5th December, 1903.

H. OKEY,
Chairman.

Special Order made by the Waiuku Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Colonial Treasurer.

WAIUKU ROAD BOARD.

Special Order making Special Rate.

In pursuance of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Waiuku Road Board hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £600, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," for the purpose of metalling further portions of the main Waiuku-Drury Road, the said Waiuku Road Board hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all the rateable property in the Waiuku Road District, comprised within the following boundaries, being part of Waiuku East Parish—Starting from and including Section 47; thence in a north-easterly direction, following the southern boundaries of Sections 53, 54, 55, and the eastern boundaries of Sections 56, 57, 137, 133, 135, 136, and thence following the south and eastern boundaries of Hamlin's Grant K 130; thence along the road on the eastern boundaries of Lots 130c, 130r, 152, 153, 154, and thence along the tramway and following the boundary-line dividing the Waiuku and Mauku Road Districts to the Mauku Creek; thence along its southern shore to its confluence with the Waiuku Estuary; thence along its eastern bank to a point in Taylor's Creek, being the northern corner of Lot 159; and thence along the western boundary of Lot 48 to the point of commencement in Lot 47—all being part of Waiuku East Parish: 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 July and 1st day of December 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.

C. I. BARRIBALL,
Chairman.

WILLIAM J. KING,
Clerk, Waiuku Road Board.

Waiuku, 5th September, 1903.

I hereby certify that the above special order was duly made and passed by the Waiuku Road Board, in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

WILLIAM J. KING,
Clerk, Waiuku Road Board.

Waiuku, 19th October, 1903.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 16th December, 1903.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF EAST INVERCARGILL.

Special Loan of £2,500 under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

I HEREBY give notice that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of East Invercargill was duly taken on Wednesday, the 28th day of October, 1903, on the proposal of the Council of the said borough to borrow certain sums of money, amounting in the whole to the sum of £2,500, by way of

special loan, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," for the purpose of constructing certain public works, and which said proposal was published in the *Southland Daily News* newspaper of the 11th, 18th, and 25th days of September and the 2nd day of October, 1903, and that at the said poll the following votes were recorded: For the proposal, 68; against the proposal, 1: majority in favour of the proposal, 67.

I therefore declare the proposal carried.

Dated this 29th day of October, 1903.

JOHN A. MITCHELL,
Mayor of the Borough of East Invercargill.

Notice to Mariners No. 88 of 1903.

MAGNETIC VARIATION ON COAST OF NORTH ISLAND OF NEW ZEALAND.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 12th December, 1903.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 1 of 1900, issued by this Department on the 10th January, 1900, respecting the magnetic declination on the coast of the South Island of New Zealand, the following table showing the magnetic declination or variation of the compass on the coast of the North Island of the colony, received from the Surveyor-General, is published for general information. Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty charts Nos. 2598, 1212; and all the New Zealand North Island charts.

WM. HALL-JONES.

VALUES OF THE MAGNETIC DECLINATION, COMMONLY CALLED THE VARIATION OF THE COMPASS, ON THE COAST OF THE NORTH ISLAND OF NEW ZEALAND.

Station.	Latitude.		Longitude.		Magnetic Declination. East of North.
	South.		East.		
Port Nicholson—	° ' "		° ' "		° ' "
Moutu Victoria	41 18 10		174 47 23		15 46
Somes Island ..	41 15 31		174 50 39		15 48
Cape Palliser ..	41 36 46		175 18 50		15 52
Napier ..	39 28 45		176 55 11		15 18
Gisborne ..	38 39 43		178 1 19		15 0
East Cape ..	37 40 59		178 32 13		14 31*
Tauranga ..	37 40 57		176 53 17		14 43*
Auckland—					
St. Helier's Bay	36 51 11		174 53 17		14 55*
Marsden Point ..	35 50 16		174 30 54		14 14
Bay of Islands—					
Russell ..	35 15 59		174 8 32		14 5
Motu Maire Island	35 16 36		174 6 38		14 1
Cape Maria V. D.	34 28 12		172 41 49		13 41
Hokianga ..	35 29 21		173 25 22		14 0
Kaipara (Pouto)..	36 21 29		174 11 36		14 23
Raglan ..	37 48 14		174 53 23		14 50
New Plymouth ..	39 4 11		174 5 36		15 36*
Wanganui ..	39 55 57		175 3 20		15 41

These declinations are corrected to June, 1903, for which date they may be taken as accurate. The annual change in New Zealand waters approximates very closely to three minutes (3'), increasing at the stations marked with an asterisk (*). The declination was found to be irregular. Irregularities of a systematic nature exist along the east coast from Tolago Bay to Marsden Point.

The best harbour for compass correction is Port Nicholson.

Approving and Appointing a Bonding Warehouse.

CUSTOMS.—In exercise of the powers in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," I, the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, do hereby approve and appoint the undermentioned warehouse to be a warehouse for the reception of goods under bond, namely,—

Port of Lyttelton.

Part of the cellar of a brick and concrete building situate on Town Section 1001, Lichfield Street, Christchurch, to be known as

CHRYSSTALL'S BOND.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this ninth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three.

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

Commissioner's Order No. 731.]

Certificate under Section 8 of "The Preferential and Reciprocal Trade Act, 1903."

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon me by "The Preferential and Reciprocal Trade Act, 1903," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, I, Charles Houghton Mills, Commissioner of Trade and Customs, do hereby revoke the Order No. 729 made by me, dated the 26th day of November, 1903, and gazetted on the 10th day of December, 1903, and in lieu thereof do hereby prescribe that the certificate referred to in section 8 of the above-mentioned Act shall be in the form set forth in the Schedule hereto.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three.

C. H. MILLS,
Commissioner of Trade and Customs.
Commissioner's Order No. 733.]

SCHEDULE.

CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 8 OF "THE PREFERENTIAL AND RECIPROCAL TRADE ACT, 1903."

I [Full name], of the firm of _____, do hereby certify that this invoice, amounting to £ _____, for goods exported to New Zealand on account of [Name of person or firm to whom invoiced], is true and correct, and that the goods specified therein are *bonâ fide* the produce or manufacture of [Name of the part of the British Dominions in which the goods have been produced or manufactured].

(Signed)
Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, 190 _____.

Standing Orders of the Legislative Council respecting Local and Private Bills.

Legislative Council,
Wellington, 19th November, 1903.

THE following Standing Orders relative to the introduction of local Bills in Parliament, as agreed to by the Legislative Council on the 19th November, 1903, are published for general information:—

I. Every Bill that affects some particular locality only, not being a private Bill, shall be deemed to be a local Bill.

II. A local Bill shall not be read a second time unless notice of the Bill has been given in the locality to which the Bill relates (hereinafter referred to as "the locality").

III. Such notice shall state explicitly the objects that the Bill is intended to effect, and shall, before the Bill is read a second time, be published once at least in each of three successive weeks, on the same day in each week, in some newspaper circulating in the locality.

IV. On the first publication of such notice a copy of the Bill shall be deposited in the Magistrate's Court nearest to the centre of the locality, and shall be open to public inspection for a period of three full weeks. At the expiration of that period the Magistrate or the Clerk of the Court shall certify under his hand on the face of such copy that the same was so deposited and remained open to public inspection for three full weeks, and shall stamp each page thereof with the seal of the Court, and shall initial each page, and shall then forward such copy so certified, stamped, and initialled to the Clerk of the House in which the Bill is to be introduced.

V. Where a local Bill purports to give power to deal with any lands, there shall also be deposited in the Magistrate's Court plans or surveys of such lands certified by an authorised surveyor and drawn on one of the following scales, viz.: Where the lands to be dealt with are town or suburban lands, then on a scale of not less than 1 in. to 5 chains; and where the lands to be dealt with are other than town or suburban lands, then, if such lands be not more than ten square miles in extent, on a scale of not less than 2 in. to a mile, and, if such lands be more than ten square miles in extent, on a scale of not less than 1 in. to a mile.

VI. Where a local Bill purports to authorise the construction of harbour-works, or the raising of further loans for the completion of harbour-works already authorised, there shall likewise be deposited in the Magistrate's Court plans of the proposed works, a statement of the financial position of the local authority promoting the Bill, and an estimate of the cost of construction of the proposed works and of the increased revenue to be derived therefrom.

VII. All such plans and surveys, and every such statement and estimate, shall be certified, stamped, and initialled by the Magistrate or Clerk in the same manner as the deposited copy of the Bill to which they refer, and shall be forwarded, together with such copy, to the Clerk of the House in which the Bill is to be introduced.

VIII. A Committee on Local Bills shall have power to confer with any Committee appointed for a like purpose by the

other House of the General Assembly, or to sit and act with any such Committee as a Joint Committee.

IX. In any case where a Local Bills Committee or Joint Local Bills Committee have reported that any Bill is a local Bill, and that the Standing Orders have been complied with in respect thereof, but such Bill is not finally dealt with in the same session in which such report was made, then, if it be intended to reintroduce the Bill during the next succeeding session, notice of such intention shall be published in not less than two issues of some newspaper circulating in the locality; but it shall not be necessary to publish or make a second time all or any of the notices or deposits mentioned in the foregoing Standing Orders Nos. 342 to 344.

W. C. WALKER,
Speaker.

The following amended definition of a private Bill, as agreed to by the Legislative Council, is also published for general information:—

II. Private Bills shall be understood to be Bills promoted for the particular interest or benefit of, or Bills that interfere with the private property of, any person or number of persons, whether incorporated or not.

W. C. WALKER,
Speaker.

Subsidies to Public Libraries.

Education Department,
Wellington, 28th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sum of £3,000 has been voted by Parliament for distribution to public libraries.

The distribution will take place on the 8th February, 1904, and no claim will be entitled to consideration that shall not have been sent in in due form and received by the Secretary for Education, Wellington, on or before the 31st January, 1904.

1. A library to be entitled to a subsidy must be public in the sense of belonging to the public, and of not being under the control of an association, society, or club whose membership is composed of a section of the community only, and if within a borough it must be open to the public free of charge. The receipts for the year from subscriptions and donations must not have been less than £2, exclusive of moneys received from endowments, or from Government, or from Borough or County Councils, or for special building purposes, or as rent, hire, or consideration for the use of any room, or building, or land belonging to the institution, in respect of none of which will subsidy be allowed. The net proceeds of concerts, lectures, or other entertainments on behalf of the current expenses of the library will be regarded as voluntary contributions. A subsidy will not be given to more than one library in the same town.

2. In the division of the vote a nominal addition of £25 will be made to the amount of the income of each library derived from subscriptions, donations, and rates, and the vote will be divided according to the amounts thus augmented; but no library will receive credit for a larger income than £75—that is, in no case will the augmented amount on which distribution is based exceed £100.

3. The whole of the subsidy must be expended without delay in the purchase of books for the library.

4. Application to share in the distribution must be by means of a statutory declaration by the Chairman, or Secretary, or Treasurer of the institution on behalf of which it is made, and must be accompanied by a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1903; and such declaration must be on the form provided for the purpose, which form shall be as follows:—

DECLARATION.

I, [Name], of [Place of abode], [Occupation], do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am Chairman [or Secretary, or Treasurer] of the [Name of institution]; that during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1903, the receipts of the aforesaid institution for the maintenance of the library only were as follows: From rates levied by a local governing body under "The Public Libraries Act, 1869," or "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," _____ pounds shillings and _____ pence; from the subscriptions of members, _____ pounds shillings and _____ pence; and from voluntary contributions other than members' subscriptions, _____ pounds shillings and _____ pence. And I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information hereinafter furnished by me in the appendix hereto is correct in every particular; that the abstract of accounts is a true statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year herein specified; that the whole of the subsidy received during the year was

expended in the purchase of books for the library; and that by the rules of the library it is open to the public free of charge.

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

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 190____, before me— _____, Justice of the Peace [or Solicitor, or Notary Public].

[Here affix and cancel a stamp at 2s. 6d.]

[NOTE.—The words relating to last year's subsidy and to free admission may be struck out if they are not applicable. The words in brackets are not part of the form, but indicate matter to be inserted or substituted.]

Copies of the form of application may be obtained from the Secretary for Education, Wellington, and from the Secretary of any Education Board.

R. J. SEDDON.

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.

Officiating Ministers for 1903.—Notice No. 38.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1903.

PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand passed in the forty-fourth year of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and intituled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

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

The Reverend Claude Hamilton Roe, M.A.

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

The Reverend Robert Dickie.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Commissioner of the Supreme Court appointed.

NOTICE.—EDWARD JOHN STANNARD, Esq., of Eastcheap Buildings, 19, Eastcheap, London, E.C., a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of 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 7th day of December, 1903.

D. G. A. COOPER,
Registrar, Supreme Court.

Commissioner of the Supreme Court appointed.

NOTICE.—NAHUM LEVINSON, Esq., of 314, Collins Street, Melbourne, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria, has this day been appointed by His Honour the Chief Justice a Commissioner of the Supreme Court of New Zealand in Victoria, 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 7th day of December, 1903.

D. G. A. COOPER,
Registrar, Supreme Court.

Commissioner's Decisions under Tariff Acts.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 16th December, 1903.

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

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

Articles, and how classed.	Rate of Duty
03/1835. Brazier, gas; as metal-workers' machine and hand tools	Free.
03/1733. Cider-mill, hand or power; as machinery for agricultural purposes	Free.
*03/1835. Cycle brazier and forge; as metal-workers' machine and hand tools	Free.
03/1817. Exhauster for planing-mill; as wood-workers' machine tools	Free.
00/397. Heels, indiarubber; as parts of boots and shoes	22½ per cent.
03/1872. Leather belting accompanying machinery when imported; as leather belting	4d. the lb.
03/1126. Plasticine, Harbutt's "Kapai," in tin boxes, 7 in. by 2 in., containing ¼ lb. plasticine and one round tool; as educational apparatus	Free.
03/1126. Plasticine, Harbutt's "Students'," box, 7 in. by 2 in., containing ¼ lb. plasticine and one set of three tools; as educational apparatus	Free.
03/1126. Plasticine, empty tin boxes for, branded "Kapai" and "Students'," 7 in. by 2 in.	Free.
03/1505. Tanning extract, "Alpha"; as a. & m.s.	Free.
03/1505. Tanning extract, "Hemlock"; as a. & m.s.	Free.
*03/1505. Tanning extract, mixture of tannic acid and sugar; as a. & m.s.	Free.
*03/1505. Tanolin; as a. & m.s.	Free.
03/1874. Timber—viz., palings, posts, and rails: Tariff items 239 to 240 to be confined to split timber of that description.	
03/1751. Turbine for flax-milling machinery; as machinery n.o.e.	20 per cent.

W. T. GLASGOW,

Secretary and Inspector.

Commissioner's Order No. 732.]

Surveyors licensed.

Office of the Surveyors' Board,
Government Buildings,
Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

IT is hereby notified that licenses under "The New Zealand Institute of Surveyors and Board of Examiners Act, 1900," have been issued to the following surveyors by the Surveyors' Board:—

Surveyor.	Address.
Andrew, William	Kimbolton.
Gillett, George Newton Cassan	Wellington.
Johnston, John Alexander	Waihi.
Ussher, Edgeworth Richard	Dunedin.
Ware, Charles Coburn	Queenstown.

C. E. ADAMS,
Secretary, Surveyors' Board.

Vital Statistics.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the Month of November, 1903:—

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the undermentioned Boroughs, during the Month of November, 1903.

BOROUGHES.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1903.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN NOVEMBER, 1903.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1902.
			Males.			Females.			Total Deaths	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, November, 1903.		
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.				
Auckland	37,022	105	4	1	5	3	..	15	28	0.76	17.21	
Birkenhead	1,109	5	..	..	1	..	..	2	3	2.71	12.93
Devonport	4,417	8	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	0.68	8.98
Newmarket	2,104	8	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	0.95	12.01
Grey Lynn	5,212	18	..	1	..	1	..	2	4	0.77	11.80	
Parnell	4,834	12	..	..	1	..	2	..	3	0.62	11.49
Other suburbs* .. .. .	*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Auckland and sub-urban boroughs*	54,698*	156	6	2	9	4	2	20	43	0.79	15.27	
Wellington	49,424	111	5	5	17	5	..	18	50	1.01	12.41	
Karori	1,443	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9.79
Onslow	1,723	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9.00
Totals Wellington and sub-urbs	52,590	118	5	5	17	5	..	18	50	0.95	12.24	
Christchurch	46,625	108	5	..	12	4	1	9	31	0.66	12.21	
Woolston	2,797	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10.89
Other suburbs* .. .. .	*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Christchurch and sub-urban boroughs*	49,422*	115	5	..	12	4	1	9	31	0.63	12.14	
Dunedin	25,214	41	2	..	10	1	1	14	28	1.11	11.86	
Caversham	5,335	14	1	..	3	..	..	1	5	0.94	20.19
Maori Hill	1,687	6	..	..	2	..	..	1	3	1.78	11.74
Mornington	4,132	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7.37
North-east Valley	3,801	10	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	0.53	8.46
Roslyn	5,268	6	..	1	4	..	..	2	7	1.33	6.46
St. Kilda	1,936	7	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	1.04	7.15
South Dunedin	5,713	21	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	0.53	12.10
West Harbour	1,546	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5.31
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	54,632	117	4	1	23	1	1	20	50	0.92	11.29	

* The remaining suburbs do not lie within borough boundaries, and particulars respecting them have not been obtained for the Vital Statistics. The total population of Auckland and its suburbs was 87,226 persons, and that of Christchurch with its complete suburbs amounted to 57,041 persons, at the Census of March, 1901.

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

The total births in the above boroughs amounted to 506, against 521 in October—a decrease of 15. The deaths in November were 174, a decrease of 61 on the number in October. Of the total deaths, males contributed 89, females 85. Forty-six of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 26.44 per cent. of the whole number; 34 of these were under one year of age.

There were fifty-two deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Two men, 65, 69, and ten women, 66 (two), 69, 70 (three), 73, 75, 79, 87, died at Auckland; three men, 74, 77, 78, and four women, 68, 72, 78, 84, at Wellington; seven men, 66 (two), 70, 71, 72, 76, 77, and six women, 66 (two), 69, 70, 74, 83, at Christchurch; and thirteen men, 65, 67, 68, 70 (four), 75, 76 (three), 79, 84, and seven women, 66, 67, 68, 70, 76, 77, 83, at Dunedin.

THE following Table shows the Causes of the Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from each Cause, in the Boroughs above given, registered during the Month of November, 1903.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I.	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	3	..	4	1	..	..	1	1	10	5.75
II.	Parasitic Diseases ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III.	Dietetic Diseases ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.57
IV.	Constitutional Diseases	..	8	1	12	..	2	1	14	38	21.84
V.	Developmental Diseases	4	1	1	2	2	2	3	2	17	9.77
VI.	Local Diseases ..	3	18	6	18	6	14	1	22	88	50.57
VII.	Violence .. .. .	..	2	3	2	1	3	..	3	14	8.05
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	4	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	6	3.45
	Totals ..	14	29	15	35	10	21	7	43	174	100.00

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS I.—SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Miasmatic,—</i>									
Scarlet Fever	1	..	1
Whooping-cough	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Diphtheria	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Enteric Fever	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Diarrhaeal,—</i>									
Cholera Infantum	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Diarrhoea	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Venereal,—</i>									
Stricture of Urethra	1	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Septic,—</i>									
Septicæmia	1	1
CLASS III.—DIETETIC DISEASES.									
Alcoholism	1	1
CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.									
Rheumatic Fever	1	..	..	..	..	1
Cancer	3	..	4	..	1	..	6	14
Tubercular Peritonitis	1	..	1
Tubercular Meningitis	1	..	..	..	..	1
Phthisis	5	..	5	..	..	..	3	13
Tuberculosis	1	..	2	3
Leucocythemia	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Diabetes	1	..	..	..	2	3
Rheumatoid Arthritis	1	1
CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.									
Premature Birth	2	..	1	..	2	..	2	..	7
Collapse of Lung	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Atelectasis	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cyanosis	1	..	1
Old Age..	1	..	2	..	2	..	2	7
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i>									
Meningitis	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	4
Apoplexy	2	..	2	..	4	..	2	10
Softening of Brain	1	1
Hemiplegia	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paralysis	1	1
Epilepsy	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Convulsions	1	..	1	..	2
Myelitis	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bulbar Paralysis..	1	1
Cerebral Tumour	1	..	1	..	..	2
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i>									
Heart-disease	3	..	4	..	3	..	1	11
Fatty Heart	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Angina Pectoris	1	1
Syncope	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	3
Embolism	1	..	..	1
ORDER 4:—									
<i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i>									
Croup	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Asthma	1	1
Bronchitis	1	4	..	..	..	..	4	9
Pneumonia	1	2	..	1	1	1	..	2	8
Empyema	1	1
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Diseases of Digestive System,—</i>									
Hæmorrhage from Stomach	1	1
Gastritis	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Gastric Ulcer	1	..	..	..	1	2
Enteritis	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2
Chololithus	1	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	..	..	..	..	1
Hepatitis	1	1
Hepatic Congestion	1	1
Liver-disease	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHs.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES—contd.									
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System,—</i>									
Goitre	2	..	..	..	..	2
ORDER 7:—									
<i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Nephritis	1	..	..	1
Bright's Disease	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	3
Uræmia	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
Cystitis	3	..	..	..	1	4
Hypertrophy of Prostate	1	1
Cirrhotic Kidney	1	..	..	1
ORDER 8:—									
<i>Diseases of Reproductive System,—</i>									
Ectopic Gestation	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 10:—									
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System,—</i>									
Cellulitis	1	..	..	..	1
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>									
Fracture of Skull	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of Femur	1	..	..	1
Run over by Horse	1	..	1
Run over by Railway-wagon	1	1
Run over by Train	1	..	..	1
Overdose of Laudanum	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Scalds	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Drowning	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Birth Accident	1	..	1	..	..	..	2
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Suicide,—</i>									
By Cutting Throat	1	..	..	..	..	1
By Poison	1	..	..	..	..	1
By Drowning	1	..	..	1
By Hanging	1	..	1
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.									
Marasmus	4	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	6
Totals	14	29	15	35	10	21	7	43	174

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

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

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Population.	
Auckland City	0.76	
and five suburban boroughs		0.79
Wellington City	1.01	
and two suburban boroughs		0.95
Christchurch City	0.66	
and one suburban borough		0.63
Dunedin City	1.11	
and eight suburban boroughs		0.92

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

Compared with November, 1902, the results are,—

	1902.	1903.
Auckland and suburbs	1.63	0.79
Wellington and suburbs	0.83	0.95
Christchurch and suburbs	0.83	0.63
Dunedin and suburbs	1.10	0.92

Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases.—The deaths at the four chief towns and suburbs from diseases belonging to this class, and which happened in November, numbered 10. One of these was from scarlet fever, at Dunedin; 2 from whooping-cough, at Wellington; 1 from diphtheria, at the same place; 1 from enteric fever, at Auckland; 2 from diarrhoeal diseases at the same place, and 1 at Wellington. These, with 1 death from stricture and 1 from septicæmia, make up the total.

Constitutional Diseases.—From constitutional diseases the mortality was much heavier—38 deaths altogether. Fourteen were from cancer, 18 from phthisis and other tubercular diseases, 3 from diabetes, 2 from rheumatism, and 1 from leucocythæmia. These make 21.84 per cent. of the total deaths.

Local Diseases.—Here the mortality was 50.57 per cent. of the whole, and the number of deaths 88. Twenty-four deaths were attributable to diseases of the nervous system, 17 of the circulatory, 20 of the respiratory, 11 of the digestive, 2 of the lymphatic, and 12 of the urinary system; with 2 others.

Violent Deaths.—Ten were accidental and 4 suicidal. Two were caused by fractures; 3, by being run over; 1, overdose of laudanum; 1, scalding; 1, drowning; and 2 by accident at birth. The suicides were by cutting throat, poison, drowning, and hanging.

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

Towns.	SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.												PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES.							
	Influenza.		Scarlet Fever.		Typhoid and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping-cough.		Diarrheal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	1	1	..	..	3	2	..	1
Wellington and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	4	4	..	..	1	2	..	..
Christchurch and suburban boroughs	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	4	..	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	..	2	1	1	4	3	1	1	2	7
Totals	5	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	..	3	2	9	11	1	1	8	15	..	1

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BOROUGH.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1903.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHs REGISTERED IN NOVEMBER, 1903.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1902.
			Males.			Females.			Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, Nov., 1903.		
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.				
Thames	4,209	17	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	0.71	17.52
New Plymouth	4,885	15	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	0.61	9.15
Napier	9,370	28	2	..	3	..	..	..	2	7	0.75	12.05
Wanganui	7,386	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.14	10.46
Palmerston North	7,823	25	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	0.51	10.82
Blenheim	3,263	11	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	0.61	18.51
Nelson	7,513	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15.46
Greymouth	4,218	16	..	..	5	1	..	..	4	10	2.37	8.35
Hokitika	1,885	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	2.12	27.66
Lyttelton	4,263	14	..	..	5	1	..	..	1	7	1.64	8.38
Timaru	6,869	12	1	..	5	1	..	..	2	9	1.31	12.00
Oamaru	5,380	13	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	0.19	10.31
Invercargill	6,250*	15	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	6	0.96	8.88

* At the census taken in March, 1901, the population of Invercargill and suburbs was 10,637 persons.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR NOVEMBER, 1903.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	LINCOLN, CANTERBURY.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in shade for month* Average same month previous years*..	61.8 60.5	59.3 56.5	58.2 55.9	54.9 52.6
Maximum Temperature in shade, and date*	70.0 on 13th	79.5 on 30th	83.8 on 25th	76.0 on 29th
Minimum Temperature in shade, and date*	44.0 on 21st	38.2 on 21st	36.2 on 20th	35.0 on 20th
Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* ..	149.0 on 23rd	136.0 on 27th	134.2 on 8th	..
Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date*	39.0 on 21st	30.0 on 22nd	29.8 on 23rd	..
Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) .. Average same month previous years ..	82.4 72	76 71	76 74	77.6 73
Total Rainfall, in inches Average same month previous years ..	6.830 2.757	5.410 4.166	2.025 2.168	5.172 2.732
Number of Days of Rain Average same month previous years ..	18 14	11 10	13 8	12 12

* Fahrenheit.

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

Meteorological Office, Wellington, 6th December, 1903.

L. H. EILERS,
For Director.

Rainfall for November, 1903.

Station.	Observer	Total Fall, in inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours.
NORTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH-EAST ASPECT—NORTH CAPE TO EAST CAPE.				
Mangonui	H. G. Hunt	5.08	10	1.75 on 11th
Pakaraka	Hon. H. Williams, M.L.C. ..	8.21	21	2.56 on 11th
Whangamata	F. H. Whalley .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Waihi (Thames)	H. B. Devereux	11.01	15	2.55 on 16th
Turua	L. J. Bagnall	5.73	15	1.12 on 15th
Auckland	Government Observer	6.83	18	1.82 on 16th
Waiotapu	J. Scanlon	6.53	15	1.61 on 16th
Cuvier Island(*)	Lightkeeper .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Tauranga	A. E. Hammond .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Athenree (Tauranga)	Captain Stewart	8.93	20	1.95 on 11th
Rotorua	Dr. Wohlmann	6.71	18	1.79 on 11th
Rotorua (State Forest)	H. A. Goudie	6.90	19	1.69 on 11th
Te Aroha	Wm. Hill	8.10	11	2.70 on 16th
(B.) NORTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE MARIA VAN DIEMEN TO CAPE EGMONT.				
Kaitiaki	W. G. Puckey	7.13	11	2.95 on 10th
Rangiahua (Hokianga)	W. R. Coxhead	10.40	22	2.08 on 30th
Awakino	N. A. Robison	5.26	16	0.95 on 17th
Hamilton	Thomas Walter	9.54	15	1.90 on 11th
Cambridge (Sanatorium)	Miss A. S. Rochfort	9.72	15	2.80 on 17th
Te Awamutu	Miss I. M. Vause	7.86	12	1.20 on 17th
Raglan	H. V. Rutherford .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Taupo	Rev. H. J. Fletcher	7.13	11	2.35 on 11th
New Plymouth	G. W. Palmer	7.31	18	1.57 on 9th
Mangorei—Korito Road	Mrs. J. Brown	20.64	18	4.97 on 9th
Inglewood	Miss N. Trimble	12.68	19	2.12 on 9th
Ngatimaru	R. Drummond	9.91	13	2.89 on 10th
(C.) SOUTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE EGMONT TO CAPE TERAWHITI.				
Upper Waitotara	E. F. Liffiton	8.71	18	2.06 on 10th
Stratford	J. H. Penn	8.28	20	1.32 on 10th
Opunake	A. H. Moore	5.20	14	1.13 on 10th
Manaiā	G. M. Limbrick .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Hawera	J. Livingston	5.14	13	1.25 on 10th
Oruamatua (Patea)(b)	A. S. Birch	5.64	19	1.00 on 17th
Kapara (Waverley)	F. R. Field .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Aramoho (Wanganui)	J. T. Stewart	4.91	17	1.47 on 10th
Wanganui	H. Hemus	5.28	16	1.57 on 10th
Kaitoke (Wanganui)	Mrs. K. Brennan	4.91	15	1.71 on 10th
No. 2 Line (Wanganui)	H. I. Jones	5.11	14	1.31 on 10th
Raetihi (Wanganui)	J. A. Rutherford	8.69	21	1.31 on 10th
Campbelltown	H. Sanson	5.53	11	2.70 on 10th
Thoresby (Marton)	W. J. Birch	4.66	15	2.21 on 10th
Feilding	Miss E. M. Goodbehere	4.76	11	1.85 on 10th
Halcombe	L. A. McDonald	5.66	10	3.07 on 9th
Hunterville	S. A. R. Mair	6.08	17	2.08 on 10th
Erehwon	Mrs. Caccia-Birch	5.06	16	0.99 on 17th
Ruanui	J. F. Studholme	6.40	17	1.15 on 11th
Taihape	G. L. Cook	7.92	18	1.55 on 10th
West Waitapu	J. Guylee	6.13	19	1.78 on 10th
Kimbolton	Dr. W. C. Greig	3.74	13	0.80 on 16th
Ashhurst	H. Barnes	5.59	12	1.90 on 10th
Bull's	E. J. Keiller	6.15	16	2.38 on 10th
Waitatapia (Bull's)	K. W. Dalrymple	4.52	11	1.98 on 10th
Palmerston North	C. J. Monro	4.18	12	2.08 on 10th
Palmerston North	W. Welch	4.33	11	2.62 on 10th
State Farm (Levin)	P. W. Goldsmith .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Otaki	W. B. Smith	4.36	10	1.27 on 10th
Kereru	C. A. Muggleton .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Pukerua	W. Bell	3.83	15	1.02 on 9th
Pahautanui	J. Pearce	4.58	13	1.25 on 9th
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALLISER.				
Matahiia	K. S. Williams .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Hauturu (Tokomaru Bay)(c)	L. E. Cotterill .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Tolago Bay	A. Reeves	4.64	12	1.79 on 21st
Portland Island	A. Hansen .. ..	.. ..	..	.. ..
Giaborne	Rev. H. W. Williams	5.29	18	2.00 on 21st
Waikohu (Te Karaka)(d)	J. C. McLean	5.37	16	1.05 on 19th
Patutahi	H. N. Watson	3.60	17	0.84 on 20th
Late returns—				
(a) September .. ..	.. ..	4.65	15	1.55 on 30th
(a) October .. ..	.. ..	3.49	15	0.94 on 6th
(b) October .. ..	.. ..	2.27	13	0.54 on 31st
(c) October .. ..	.. ..	5.25	12	1.21 on 3rd
(d) October .. ..	.. ..	2.62	12	0.60 on 3rd

Rainfall for November, 1903—continued.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours).
NORTH ISLAND—continued.				
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALLISER—continued.				
Takapau	D. Macfarlane .. ..	..	..	..
Waikaremoana	Fenton Lambert .. ..	..	..	..
Wairoa	T. E. Foy	6.71	14	1.88 on 20th
Tutira Lake	H. Guthrie-Smith .. ..	..	..	..
Hangaroa ^(a)	H. W. Guthrie-Smith	5.25	16	1.33 on 21st
Poukawa	A. M. Smith	3.86	13	1.50 on 14th
Rakamoana (Napier)	Messrs. Tait and Mills	8.28	18	1.50 on 11th
Petane	Thos. Clark	5.39	13	1.33 on 11th
Napier	E. Lyndon	4.38	8	1.51 on 18th
Hastings	J. N. Williams	3.43	13	0.86 on 14th
Waimarama	Thomas R. Moore	3.61	10	1.18 on 19th
Mangakuri	G. C. Williams	3.37	12	1.22 on 10th
Te Aute	S. B. Ludbrook	3.66	18	0.86 on 11th
Maraekakaho (Hastings) ^(b)	A. Lockie .. ..	..	..	..
Gwavas	J. Nicoll	4.10	20	0.84 on 14th
Mount Vernon	J. W. Harding	5.36	14	2.00 on 14th
Ormondville	Frank B. Curd .. ..	..	..	..
Dannevirke	G. Harvey	7.13	13	2.50 on 10th
Porangahau	Rev. F. E. Telling-Simcox	5.65	11	1.50 on 10th
Wimbleton	J. G. Speedy	3.91	11	1.50 on 10th
Woodville	J. Leithead	6.91	17	2.95 on 10th
Pahiatua	W. Tossill	4.86	13	2.72 on 10th
Herbertville	J. E. Riddell	4.95	11	1.68 on 11th
Tane (Pahiatua)	H. A. Lambert	3.64	12	2.11 on 10th
Eketahuna	J. T. Quin	4.24	7	2.17 on 9th
Annedale (Tinui)	H. Nevins	6.67	14	2.75 on 10th
Castlepoint	H. Belliss	3.71	6	2.23 on 10th
Otahuac	C. Bennett .. ..	..	..	..
Masterton	J. Payton	3.90	11	1.69 on 10th
Carterton	E. G. Braithwaite	3.53	11	1.40 on 10th
Featherston	G. G. Wellsted	8.24	10	3.25 on 10th
Summit	W. G. Ingram	11.04	10	3.79 on 11th
Waiwetū	G. M. Mason	3.62	12	0.79 on 10th
Wainuiomata	J. Quaintance	3.79	9	0.90 on 9th
Lower Hutt	Miss Heaton	5.14	11	1.35 on 9th
Petone	Sir J. Hector	4.50	11	1.05 on 9th
Wellington	Government Observer	5.41	11	1.34 on 9th
Karori	W. Edmonds	4.60	11	1.12 on 9th
SOUTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO KAIKOURA.				
Nelson	Dr. Hudson .. ..	..	..	..
Motueka	G. S. Huffam	4.62	10	1.30 on 19th
Collingwood ^(c)	Rev. A. H. Heron	12.69	11	3.39 on 9th
Quartz Ranges (Collingwood)	F. G. Mace .. ..	..	..	..
Stephens Island	Lightkeeper .. ..	..	..	..
The Brothers	Lightkeeper .. ..	..	..	..
Avondale Station (Blenheim)	C. de V. Teschemaker	2.49	7	0.79 on 18th
Timara	R. F. Goulter	1.95	6	0.69 on 18th
Manaroa (Pelorus Sounds)	M. C. Masefield .. ..	..	..	..
Meadow Banks (Blenheim)	G. T. Seymour	1.06	6	0.30 on 18th
Blenheim	N. T. Prichard	1.58	7	0.40 on 18th
Seddon	N. Craig	2.54	10	0.42 on 9th
Cape Campbell	Lightkeeper	2.47	8	0.95 on 11th
Flaxbourne	W. Tatchell	4.87	9	1.55 on 11th
Langridge Station (U. Awatere)	E. J. Thompson .. ..	..	..	..
Kekerangu	W. J. White	4.06	11	1.30 on 11th
Kaikoura	Dr. J. St. C. Gunn	3.38	7	1.15 on 10th
Hermitage	A. Ross .. ..	..	..	..
(B.) WEST ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Farewell Spit	Lightkeeper	3.03	9	1.75 on 9th
Pakawau	T. C. V. Field	10.50	15	3.25 on 9th
Westport	A. S. Ewan	5.35	14	1.53 on 9th
Denniston	J. Dixon	10.06	10	3.71 on 10th
Greymouth	J. Conner	3.31	10	1.00 on 8th
Hokitika	A. D. Macfarlane	3.21	5	2.10 on 8th
Dusky Sound ^(d)	R. Henry	10.97	15	2.44 on 13th
Puysegur Point ^(e)	Lightkeeper	4.80	15	0.93 on 17th
Late returns—				
(a) October .. ..	.. ..	2.92	10	0.99 on 9th
(b) October .. ..	.. ..	3.75	15	0.87 on 11th
(c) October .. ..	.. ..	3.39	9	1.13 on 24th
(d) { July .. ..	.. ..	7.57	14	1.61 on 2nd
{ August .. ..	.. ..	14.69	18	4.28 on 13th
{ September .. ..	.. ..	5.15	15	0.90 on 8th
{ October .. ..	.. ..	16.73	16	3.26 on 15th
(e) October .. ..	.. ..	6.81	13	1.57 on 15th

Rainfall for November, 1903—continued.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours).
SOUTH ISLAND—continued.				
(C.) EAST ASPECT—KAIKOURA TO CAPE SAUNDERS.				
Cheviot	A. C. Bellwood	4.42	14	1.86 on 10th
Waiau	F. S. Northcote	4.83	11	1.56 on 9th
Akaroa	Miss Jacobson	2.94	10	0.70 on 8th
Oxford	R. H. Gainsford	2.94	14	0.61 on 10th
Port Hills (Christchurch)	Miss M. L. Higgins	2.16	11	0.60 on 14th
Christchurch(*)	A. L. Taylor	1.66	10	0.42 on 14th
Linwood	J. A. Biltcliff	1.43	10	0.39 on 20th
Lincoln	G. Gray	2.02	13	0.80 on 14th
Southbridge	D. McMillan	1.38	9	0.69 on 14th
Kyle	J. Lambie	1.68	10	0.56 on 14th
Hororata	Hon. Sir J. Hall, K.C.M.G.	2.19	12	0.36 on 14th and 19th
Kapunatiki	J. C. Rolleston	2.77	12	1.26 on 12th
Orari	G. A. M. Macdonald	2.90	14	0.85 on 14th
Bealey	A. Hodgen	1.80	12	0.55 on 10th
Mount Peel	Miss Acland	3.57	14	1.00 on 14th
Peel Forest	W. E. Barker	4.88	14	1.45 on 14th
Methven	H. G. Baker .. ..	..	..	..
Rakaia	Rev. G. W. Russell	2.17	9	0.64 on 14th
Winchmore (Ashburton)	A. Curtis	2.83	10	0.75 on 14th
Windermere	Miss F. J. M. Wright	1.09	10	0.37 on 18th
Pleasant Point	J. Bishop .. ..	..	..	..
Timaru	R. Fergusson	2.14	13	0.81 on 14th
Timaru Reservoir	J. Courtney	2.68	7	0.79 on 14th
Fairlie	D. H. Gillingham	2.73	8	1.05 on 14th
Waimate	W. M. Hamilton	2.32	12	0.60 on 14th
Geraldine	E. F. Temple	2.92	13	0.94 on 14th
Woodbury (Geraldine)	Mrs. B. E. H. Tripp	4.81	14	1.66 on 14th
Windsor Park (Oamaru)(b)	E. Menlove .. ..	..	..	..
Maheno (Oamaru)	R. J. Hendrie	2.26	12	0.70 on 13th
Palmerston (South)	B. Galloway .. ..	..	..	..
(D.) SOUTH ASPECT—CAPE SAUNDERS TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Otekaike (Oamaru)	John Tait	1.99	12	0.60 on 14th
Queenstown	L. Hotop	1.66	8	0.35 on 15th
St. Bathans	J. Ewing	3.81	16	1.49 on 14th
Gladbrook Station	F. R. Jeffreys	4.13	13	0.91 on 17th
Roxburgh	Dr. W. J. Mullin	2.44	11	0.74 on 14th
Kokonga	R. W. Glendinning	2.41	15	1.15 on 14th
Tarras	T. McWhirter .. ..	..	..	..
Dunedin	Government Observer	5.17	12	1.83 on 15th
Caversham	G. M. Burlinson	3.49	14	0.90 on 18th
Blackmount (Clifden)	Mrs. R. McKenzie	3.84	16	1.02 on 13th
Ranfurly	A. W. Roberts	3.22	8	1.34 on 17th
Tapanui	R. G. Robinson	4.84	12	1.80 on 13th
Balclutha	J. W. Brame	1.96	8	0.80 on 18th
Galloway (Alexandra South)	D. C. Rose	1.73	7	0.63 on 15th
Glyde	J. S. Dickie	1.73	6	0.50 on 12th
Woodlands	J. Mehaffey	3.64	15	0.72 on 8th
Dipton	R. D. MacLachlan	2.92	13	0.48 on 14th
Ratanui	J. Frazer	4.17	10	0.91 on 15th
Otautau	N. A. McLaren	3.08	16	0.46 on 20th
Nightcaps	J. Ritchie	3.18	16	0.72 on 13th
Waikawa Valley	J. H. Buckingham	5.14	14	0.80 on 15th
Invercargill	F. W. Hilgendorf	2.11	18	0.48 on 13th
Chatham Islands	A. Shand	1.37	11	0.37 on 11th
Stewart Island	W. Traill	3.43	20	0.62 on 12th
Late returns—				
(a) October .. ..	.. ..	0.36	5	0.20 on 1st
(b) October .. ..	.. ..	1.55	7	0.60 on 14th

ERRATUM.—In the rainfall return for October, Rakamoana, read the maximum fall as 1.50 instead of 0.50.

L. H. EILERS, for Director.

Meteorological Office, Museum, Wellington, New Zealand,
14th December, 1903.

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—Interim Return of Corn and Green Crops, 1903-4.—Notice No. 841.

Department of Agriculture (Division of Statistics), Wellington, N.Z., 16th December, 1903.

THE collection of the statistics began on the 14th October and continued until the 10th day of November. The following is an interim return of the acreage under corn and green crops, and the amount of grain, &c., on hand. The present season has been an exceedingly favourable one for crops, and everything points to a plentiful harvest.

WHEAT.											
Area returned for threshing,—										Acres.	
1903-4	230,040
1902-3	194,355
Increase										35,685	
The areas returned under the headings for "Chaffing," "Ensilage," and "Feeding down,"—											
1903-4	665
1902-3	900
Decrease										235	
Net increase, 35,450 acres.											
Last year the increase was 27,781 acres.											

OATS.											
Area returned for threshing,—											
1903-4	408,419
1902-3	483,659
Decrease										75,240	
The areas returned under the headings for "Chaffing," "Ensilage," and "Feeding down,"—											
1903-4	208,816
1902-3	205,357
Increase										3,459	
Net decrease, 71,781 acres.											
Last year the increase was over 80,000 acres.											

The following table shows the increases and decreases in acreage for the year, in respect to the crops dealt with in this return:—

Increases.										Decreases.											
Wheat	Oats	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35,450 acres.	71,781 acres.
Barley	Rye	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,135 "	757 "
Peas	Maize	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,811 "	143 "
Hops	Beans	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13 "	393 "
Other corn-crops	Vetches	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	348 "	155 "
Potatoes	Linseed	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	230 "	1,939 "
Turnips	Mangolds	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,525 "	331 "
Beet	Rape	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	539 "	1,508 "
Other green crops	Carrots	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	412 "	35 "
Total	Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59,463 "	77,042 "

Net decrease, 17,579 acres.

Last year corn and green crops showed an increase of over 97,000 acres.

GRAIN ON HAND.											
The amount of grain, &c., on hand is very heavy, the figures for wheat and flour being,—											
1903-4	2,221,318 bushels.
1902-3	*1,230,780 "
Increase										990,538 "	

* Does not include flour.

In "Oats on hand" a large increase is also shown:—											
1903-4	3,976,382 bushels.
1902-3	1,715,529 "
Increase										2,260,853 "	

The attached tables show the areas under corn and green crops, also the grain, &c., on hand. This is the first year in which green crops have been included in this interim return.

J. D. RITCHIE,
Secretary for Agriculture.

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—Interim Return, 1903-4.—Notice No. 841—continued.

CORN CROPS SOWN OR INTENDED TO BE SOWN THIS SEASON.—SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS.

Districts.	Wheat.				Oats.					Barley.				Rye.				Maize.				Peas.			Beans.			Vetches or Tares.			Linseed.		Hops.		Other Crops.						
	Acreage.		For Ensilage and Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Flour and Wheat now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.		Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	Acreage.		Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	Acreage.		For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.			
	For Threshing.	For Chaffing.			For Threshing.	For Chaffing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.		For Ensilage.	For Threshing.		For Ensilage.	For Threshing.			For Ensilage.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.
AUCKLAND (1903-4 1902-3)	*3,174 2,590	254 146	17 5	239,012 149,954	4,696 6,802	30,071 32,609	312 429	2,526 2,580	46,744 67,235	622 502	11 48	41 136	1,597 3,378	106 24	18 41	25 6	115 90	8,715 9,352	88 51	1641 1186	110914 55915	131 240	4 2	5 13	738 1026	55 46	1 1	267 185	17 11	1 13	14 13	180 15	8 25	25,588 3,463	.. 1	5,980 25,841	8 5	4 4	1 1	1288 603	250 ..
HAWKE'S BAY (1903-4 1902-3)	933 710	29 32	66 ..	20,525 3,743	9,089 6,175	10,890 9,895	72 11	64 965	30,236 24,674	2710 1650	77 5	182 182	15,198 4,348	64 47	.. 12	.. 47	197 69	2,388 2,374	5 7	13 86	24973 17945	129 76	236 330	124 43	.. 2	331 103	7 1	.. 70	44 68	313 1761	37,384 27,402	6 6	645 603	1 4	1 1	8 86	16 ..	
TARANAKI (1903-4 1902-3)	1,593 1,075	12 15	.. 52	20,269 5,480	4,414 5,390	2,431 2,233	557 407	1,037 976	19,634 9,475	992 633	8 6	12 16	2,221 1,466	27 97	6 154	139 101	18 ..	22 11	395 444	43 27	4 ..	6 ..	156 69	55 35	43 327	1 ..	3 ..	2 70	6 5	5,160 18	7,070 5	
WELLINGTON (1903-4 1902-3)	6,753 5,969	82 11	13 52	97,495 28,600	23,346 27,884	13,686 12,242	138 118	1,473 1,610	144,792 66,672	1486 1514	7 1	177 320	8,833 7,434	55 108	13 3	18 76	6,538 914	189 212	7 15	16 6	4,483 1,339	796 936	10 1	13 1	3177 2016	300 259	71,380 51,357	25 11	.. 6	18 29	54 62	21 22	6,811 6,226	2,198 2,448	1 1	1 1	2 1	398 ..	
MARLBOROUGH (1903-4 1902-3)	4,865 3,750	.. 16	.. ..	17,707 6,702	2,462 2,903	8,924 9,002	.. ..	141 106	19,294 3,301	7855 6522	.. ..	563 358	24,581 9,572	77 128	.. ..	78 ..	585 356	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	1545 1638	.. ..	.. ..	425 68	58 61	.. ..	390 ..	12 119	.. ..	.. ..	.. 1	.. ..	7 6	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
NELSON (1903-4 1902-3)	†1,295 1,257	28 ..	3 ..	17,149 1,920	3,555 3,833	10,020 10,031	1 ..	170 137	9,969 4,834	3500 3140	8 15	12,053 765	58 38	6 11	90 38	18 17	2 ..	3 10	468 40	560 600	2 4	246 146	22 13	12 9	.. 9	40 12	.. 2	1,010 112	789 777	180520 6,100	.. 3
WESTLAND (1903-4 1902-3)	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	5,156 500	36 9	513 584	10 14	25 4	3,556 1,872	1 ..	.. ..	.. ..	42 ..	.. ..	.. 20	.. 13	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	116 20	.. ..	.. ..	32 ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	7 ..	.. ..	.. ..	1 ..	.. ..	.. ..	140 ..		
CANTERBURY (1903-4 1902-3)	159361 136316	30 76	107 365	1332006 754966	164332 200581	48,267 48,321	140 67	6,899 7,605	1648649 530303	12548 9650	1 ..	916 910	113300 120656	93 46	12 124	6,046 841	1 2	90 54	7011 5017	.. 1	296 267	10437 5435	2,021 2,567	3,246 10710	49 72	.. 3	36 1	892 2587	374 550	2,548 11,600	28,091 56,786	3 120	.. 2 173	13823 13823
OTAGO (1903-4 1902-3)	52,066 42,688	22 93	2 37	471999 278915	196489 230082	68,086 63,825	662 74	1,701 1,512	2053508 1007163	4966 4310	54 26	510 168	105204 107013	693 791	10 ..	195 673	1,987 4,740	2	523 32	115 66	20 ..	18 8	778 2440	9 13	226 102	.. 2	10 2	5 6	51 215	220 515	48,949 53,793	1 ..	85,540 88,643	40
TOTALS (1903-4 1902-3)	230040 194355	457 389	208 511	2221318 1230780	408419 483659	192888 183742	1892 1120	14036 15495	3976382 1715523	34680 27921	166 86	2401 2105	283029 254632	1173 1279	41 76	334 950	15564 7,202	11452 12038	120 73	1695 1299	141874 75769	10330 8600	38 4	340 293	16309 11550	2,644 3,037	8 8	5,915 12784	123 215	14 24	75 128	1263 3029	942 2881	127457 102614	803 790	260044 180421	54 138	.. 6	3 ..	1298 863	804 13823
INCREASE DECREASE	35,685 ..	68 ..	.. 303	990538 ..	.. 75,240	4,146 ..	772 ..	.. 1,459	2260853 ..	6,759 ..	80 ..	296 ..	28397 ..	.. 106	.. 35	.. 616	8,362 ..	.. 586	.. ..	.. ..	47 ..	396 ..	66105 ..	1730 ..	34 ..	47 ..	4759 ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	24,843 ..	13 ..	79,623 ..	.. ..	3 ..	435 ..	.. 13019			

* The Counties of Waipatu and Cook are included in the Hawke's Bay District.

† The Counties of Amuri and Cheviot are included in the Canterbury District.

‡ Does not include flour.

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Societies Act, 1895."—Interim Return, 1903-4.—Notice No. 841—continued.

GREEN CROPS SOWN OR INTENDED TO BE SOWN THIS SEASON.—SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS—continued.

Districts.	Potatoes.	Turnips.	Mangolds.	Rape.	Beet.	Carrots.	Other Crops.	
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	
AUCKLAND*	{ 1903-4	6,944	41,616	447	6,456	54	392	956
	{ 1902-3	6,800	37,889	453	6,275	39	419	571
HAWKE'S BAY	{ 1903-4	2,590	6,739	753	14,431	11	83	1,338
	{ 1902-3	2,549	7,511	840	12,566	39	72	1,614
TARANAKI	{ 1903-4	1,403	9,932	682	1,889	3	544	81
	{ 1902-3	1,440	7,617	753	2,136	10	501	82
WELLINGTON	{ 1903-4	3,705	20,663	1,101	20,075	107	184	182
	{ 1902-3	3,468	19,515	978	19,005	6	181	186
MARLBOROUGH	{ 1903-4	665	4,231	315	4,071	22	20	27
	{ 1902-3	634	3,843	259	4,979	2	16	48
NELSON†	{ 1903-4	1,177	2,107	122	446	..	56	24
	{ 1902-3	1,258	2,092	129	366	4	61	21
WESTLAND	{ 1903-4	207	138	..	3	..	23	..
	{ 1902-3	251	120	3	2	..	19	..
CANTERBURY	{ 1903-4	9,339	137,799	3,610	60,000	718	434	1,216
	{ 1902-3	9,408	133,798	3,765	63,119	250	505	749
OTAGO ..	{ 1903-4	5,608	183,130	780	10,977	..	62	50
	{ 1902-3	5,600	180,445	961	11,408	26	59	191
TOTALS	{ 1903-4	31,638	406,355	7,810	118,348	915	1,798	3,874
	{ 1902-3	31,408	392,830	8,141	119,856	376	1,833	3,462
INCREASE	.. ..	230	13,525	..	..	539	..	412
DECREASE	.. ..	..	..	331	1,508	..	35	..

* The Counties of Waiapu and Cook are included in the Hawke's Bay District. † The Counties of Amuri and Cheviot are included in the Canterbury District.

Member of Auckland Education Board elected.

IT is hereby notified that

FRANK DYE, Esq.,

being the only candidate duly nominated in accordance with the provisions of the Education Boards Election Acts, 1900 and 1901, is elected a member of the Education Board of the District of Auckland, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James G. Rutherford, Esq.

Dated at the office of the Education Board, Victoria Arcade, Queen Street, Auckland, this 8th day of December, 1903.

V. E. RICE,
Returning Officer.

Member of Auckland Education Board elected.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Education Boards Election Acts, 1900 and 1901, it is hereby notified that

JOHN STALLWORTHY, Esq.,

has been elected a member of the Education Board of the District of Auckland, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James Muir, Esq.

The number of valid votes recorded for each candidate is as follows: For John Stallworthy, Esq., 598; for John David McKenzie, Esq., 537: total number of valid votes recorded, 1,135. The number of voting-papers rejected as informal is 69.

Education Board Office,
Auckland, 9th December, 1903.

V. E. RICE,
Returning Officer.

Notice of Cancellation of Registry under "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900."

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the registration of the Wellington Grocers' Industrial Union of Employers, No. 333, situated at Wellington, is hereby cancelled as from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

EDWARD TREGEAR,
Registrar of Industrial Unions.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and re the Otago Dairy Factory Company (Limited).

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882"; and in the matter of an affidavit of WILLIAM BENJAMIN SCANDRETT, the Secretary of the Otago Dairy Factory Company (Limited).

I HEREBY notify that, no objection to such application having been made and lodged with me as by said Act required, I do now declare such company to be dissolved.

J. R. COLYER,
Registrar.

Dated at Invercargill, this 2nd day of December, 1903.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 15th December, 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.

Thomas James Harlow, late of Costley Home, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on the 4th day of December, 1903.

Arthur Butler, late of Tariki, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, farmer. Filed on the 4th day of December, 1903.

William Williams, late of Coromandel, in the Provincial District of Auckland, miner. Filed on the 4th day of December, 1903.

John Clouston, late of Ohiwa, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on the 9th day of December, 1903.

Alice Burgess, late of Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, married woman. Filed on the 9th day of December, 1903.

Ethel Myrtle Goss, late of Petone, in the Provincial District of Wellington, a minor. Filed on the 14th day of December, 1903.

John Brennan, late of Maori Creek, in the Provincial District of Westland, miner. Filed on the 14th day of December, 1903.

A. A. K. DUNCAN,
Deputy 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. 5, Block 81, fronting the south-east side of Queen Street, in the Town of Waitara West. The last registered owner is the Rev. Jonathan Cape, described as of Croydon, County of Surrey, England, Clerk, and who is now deceased.

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

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

Dated this 12th day of December, 1903.

A. A. K. DUNCAN,
Deputy Public Trustee.

"The Companies Act Amendment Act, 1900," Subsection (3) of Section 10.

IT having been reported to me that the undermentioned companies have ceased to carry on business, I hereby give notice that at the expiration of three months from this date the names of such companies will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register, and the companies will be dissolved.

NAMES OF COMPANIES.

- The Masterton Co-operative Bakery Company (Limited).
- The Thorndon Public Baths Company (Limited).
- The Woodville Public Hall Company (Limited).
- Union Steam Navigation Company (Limited).
- The Wellington Meat Export Company (Limited).
- The Coalfield of the West Wanganui Company (Limited).
- The New Zealand Reformer Newspaper Company (Limited).
- Te Aro Theatre and Public Hall Company (Limited).
- The Palmerston Brewery Company (Limited).
- The Greytown Temperance Hall Company (Limited).

Dated this 11th day of December, 1903, at the Joint-stock Companies Office, Wellington.

C. H. WALTER DIXON,
Assistant Registrar.

Adoption of Child under Section 50 of "The Native Land Claims Adjustment and Laws Amendment Act, 1901."

Native Land Court Office,
Wellington, 1st December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the adoption particulars of which are set out hereunder has been duly registered by me under the provisions of section 50 of "The Native Land Claims Adjustment and Laws Amendment Act, 1901."

R. C. SIM,
Registrar.

PARTICULARS OF ADOPTION OF CHILD.

To the Registrar of the Native Land Court, Wellington District.

I, KUINI WI RANGIPUPU, wife of Robert S. Thompson, of Normanby, hereby give notice that I have taken Onehinu Huikai Rehu, a child of Wiremu and Kiri Rehu, to be my adopted child according to Maori custom; and I request that such adoption be registered under the provisions of section 50 of "The Native Land Claims Adjustment and Laws Amendment Act, 1901."

As witness my hand, this 27th day of November, 1903.

KUINI WI RANGIPUPU.

Signed by the said Kuini Wi Rangipupu in the presence of—Henry W. Sutton, J.P., Hawera, and Robert S. Thompson, Licensed Interpreter, Normanby.

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R. C. SIM,
Registrar.

PARTICULARS OF ADOPTION OF CHILD.

To the Registrar of the Native Land Court, Wellington District.

I, KUINI WI RANGIPUPU, wife of Robert S. Thompson, of Normanby, hereby give notice that I have taken Maui Naera Pomare, a child of W. Naera and Mere Pomare, to be my adopted child according to Maori custom; and I request that such adoption be registered under the provisions of section 50 of "The Native Land Claims Adjustment and Laws Amendment Act, 1901."

As witness my hand, this 27th day of November, 1903.

KUINI WI RANGIPUPU.

Signed by the said Kuini Wi Rangipupu in the presence of—Henry W. Sutton, J.P., Hawera, and R. S. Thompson, Licensed Interpreter, Normanby.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Lands in the Township of Horndon (Darfield), Canterbury Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 15th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be offered for lease by public auction, at the Courthouse, Darfield, on Thursday, the 11th February, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon, for a term of seven years, at the upset rentals stated.

In the event of the leases of any of the allotments not being disposed of at auction, they will immediately thereafter be open for lease on application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—TOWNSHIP OF HORNDON (DARFIELD).

Sections.	Block.	Area.			Upset Annual Rental.	
		A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.
8 to 13 inclusive	.. II.	1	2	0	0	15 0
20	.. ..	0	1	0	0	2 6
8	.. .. III.	0	1	0	0	2 6
16	.. ..	0	1	0	0	2 6
5	.. .. IV.	0	1	0	0	2 6
17	.. ..	0	1	0	0	2 6
2	.. .. V.	0	1	0	0	2 6
10 and 11	.. ..	0	2	0	0	5 0
10 and 11	.. VI.	0	2	11	0	5 9
1	.. .. IX.	0	1	0	0	2 6
6	.. .. X.	0	1	0	0	2 6
1 to 11 and 16 to 21 inclusive	.. XI.	4	1	0	2	2 6
1, 2, and 8 to 21 inclusive	.. XII.	4	0	0	2	0 0
1 and 2	.. XIII.	0	2	0	0	5 0
4	.. XIV.	0	1	23	0	4 0
9 and 10	.. ..	0	2	0	0	5 0
20	.. ..	0	1	0	0	2 6
7	.. XVI.	0	1	0	0	2 6
1	.. XVII.	0	1	0	0	2 6
7 to 17 inclusive	.. ..	2	3	31	1	10 0
6 to 13 inclusive	.. XVIII.	2	0	0	1	0 0
14	.. ..	0	1	0	0	2 6
16 to 19 inclusive	.. ..	1	0	0	0	10 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 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 six months from the commencement of the lease, to securely fence the land, and thoroughly clear it of gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or other noxious weeds now growing upon the land, and to so keep it 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. No crop of any kind will be permitted to be taken off the land.

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 land.

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."

THOMAS HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Waipiro Township, Hawke's Bay Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, 14th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands in the Township of Waipiro will be offered for lease by public auction, for a term of twenty-one years, with the right of renewal for a further term of twenty-one years, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Gisborne, on Wednesday, the 10th day of February, 1904.

Sections not disposed of on the date mentioned will remain open thereafter at the upset ground rentals noted below.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—TOWNSHIP OF WAIPIRO.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Improvements.	
				Description.	Value.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	I.	0 0 23	1 10 0	Blacksmith's and carpenter's shop	100 0 0
3	"	0 0 24	1 10 0	Flour-store ..	50 0 0
4	"	0 0 28	1 15 0	Retail store ..	300 0 0
5	"	0 0 28	1 15 0	Wool-store ..	250 0 0
6	"	0 0 32	2 0 0	Kereopa Potaka's house and fencing	95 0 0
7	"	0 2 37	4 8 0	Store	270 0 0
8	"	0 1 12	1 6 0		
9	"	0 1 12	1 6 0		
10	"	0 1 12	1 6 0		
11	"	0 1 35	1 17 6	Part of orchard and fence	10 0 0
12	"	0 1 30	1 15 0	Cottage ..	30 0 0
13	"	0 1 19	1 10 0	" ..	100 0 0
14	"	0 1 24	1 10 0		
15	"	0 2 35	2 17 6	Dwellinghouse, outbuildings, and garden	350 0 0
16	"	0 1 30	1 6 0		
17	"	0 2 4	1 12 0		
18	"	0 2 28	2 0 0		
19	"	0 1 39	1 0 0		
20	"	1 0 30	1 5 0		
21	"	1 2 29	1 15 0		
22	"	2 0 18	2 2 0		
23	"	1 1 19	1 7 6		
24	"	0 1 26	0 10 0	Portion of hotel buildings	100 0 0
1	II.	0 0 19	1 0 0	Saddler's shop	75 0 0
2	"	0 0 17	0 10 6	Dwellinghouse	100 0 0
3	"	0 0 17	0 10 6	"	100 0 0
4	"	0 0 19	0 12 0	"	100 0 0
7	"	0 0 29	0 11 0	Fencing ..	2 0 0
8	"	0 0 32	0 10 0	" ..	2 0 0
9	"	0 1 7	0 12 0	" ..	2 0 0
1	III.	1 0 24	6 6 0	Dwellinghouse, stable, garden, and orchard	825 0 0
2	"	0 2 0	2 0 0	Fencing ..	3 0 0
3	"	0 1 16	1 10 0	" ..	2 0 0
4	"	0 3 24	2 15 0	" ..	2 0 0
5	"	0 3 0	2 5 0	" ..	3 0 0
6	"	4 2 17	1 17 6		
7	"	16 0 4	8 0 0	Dwellinghouses, orchard, garden, plantation, and fencing	1430 0 0
8	"	11 1 30	2 6 0		
9	"	15 3 15	4 15 0	Fencing and grass	80 0 0
10	"	6 1 24	1 12 0		
11	"	4 1 24	1 2 0		
12	"	5 1 10	1 7 0		
13	"	12 3 4	3 17 0	Fencing and grass	64 0 0
14	"	5 0 17	1 1 0		
15	"	6 1 7	1 12 0	Fencing and grass	31 0 0
16	"	7 1 25	1 10 0	"	12 0 0
1	IV.	9 2 3	1 18 0	"	47 10 0
2	"	1 0 35	2 10 0		
3	"	1 1 26	2 17 0		
5	"	1 1 7	5 5 0	Dwellinghouse	200 0 0
7	"	0 1 7	2 7 0	Cookhouse and bakery	180 0 0
8	"	0 1 25	2 0 0	Buildings, garden, &c.	215 0 0

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Improvements.	
				Description.	Value.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10	IV.	0 1 18	1 10 0	Fencing and grass	2 0 0
11	"	1 1 21	1 7 6	"	7 0 0
12	"	1 2 34	1 15 0	"	8 0 0
13	"	1 1 20	1 7 6	"	7 0 0
1	V.	1 1 10	1 6 0	Fruit-trees ..	10 0 0
2	"	1 2 28	1 0 0	" ..	7 0 0
3	"	1 2 26	1 0 0		
4	"	1 1 25	1 2 6		
7	"	1 3 26	1 3 0		
9	"	4 0 11	2 0 0		
10	"	2 2 34	2 15 0	Building and fencing	105 0 0
11	"	3 2 7	1 8 0		
12	"	5 0 31	1 1 0		
13	"	7 2 15	1 10 0		
14	"	9 1 13	1 17 6		
15	"	10 0 0	2 0 0	Building ..	60 0 0
1	VI.	1 1 39	0 12 0		
2	"	0 3 16	0 10 0		
3	"	1 0 28	0 12 0		
4	"	1 3 38	1 0 0	Fruit-trees ..	7 0 0
5	"	2 0 28	1 2 0		
6	"	1 1 10	0 15 0		
7	"	1 1 37	0 15 0	Fruit-trees ..	14 0 0
8	"	2 0 29	0 17 6		
9	"	1 2 31	0 17 6		
10	"	1 2 3	0 15 0		
11	"	2 0 22	0 15 0		
12	"	2 0 17	0 12 6		
13	"	1 3 7	0 12 6		
14	"	3 1 28	1 0 0		
15	"	7 2 5	1 10 0		
5	VII.	1 2 16	1 10 0		
6	"	8 2 30	3 10 0		
7	"	3 3 38	1 5 0		
8	"	6 0 18	1 17 0		
1	X.	4 3 8	1 9 0		
2	"	6 1 12	1 18 0		
3	"	6 1 25	1 18 0		
4	"	5 1 11	1 12 0		
5	"	15 1 0	3 16 0		
6	"	12 2 16	2 10 0		
7	"	30 0 17	4 10 0		
8	"	20 3 0	3 3 0	Fruit-trees ..	10 0 0

Description.

Waipiro Township is situated in Waipiro or Open Bay, on the East Coast, and is the port for a large pastoral country.

There is a post and telegraph office in the township, also school, stores, and hotel.

Steamers trading between Gisborne and Auckland call in twice a month, and there is good road communication with Tologa Bay and Gisborne.

Te Puia Hot Springs are situated about two miles and a half from the township.

The soil is good, suitable for gardens, fruit-growing, &c.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office, Hokitika, 14th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Tuesday, the 16th day of February, 1904, under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Run No.	Area.	Locality.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of Lease.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		
100	5,000 0 0	Gribben Spur ..	5 0 0	10 years, from 1st March, 1904.
476	5,000 0 0	Waiaototo River ..	5 0 0	10 years.
477	6,000 0 0	Smoothwater ..	6 0 0	10 years.

Possession of Runs 476 and 477 will be given on date of sale, and possession of Run No. 100 on 1st March, 1904.

Descriptions of Runs.

Run No. 100 comprises the open country on summits of Gribben Spur. Good summer sheep country. Access by Waitaha River.

Run No. 476.—Average altitude is 1,500 ft. Mountain flanks, terraced slopes, and river-bed, Upper Waitatoto Valley. Access by open river-bed. Cattle-feed only.

Run No. 477 comprises watershed of Stafford River, bush-clad hill-sides and shallow valleys. Cattle feed. Access by bridle-road from Jackson's Bay.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

Valuation for improvements (if any) in respect of Run No. 100 must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Hokitika, before the licensee will be let into possession. Such valuation shall, exclusive of the value of a rabbit-proof fence, not exceed five times the amount of the annual rental paid under the expiring license.

Six months' rent, at the rate offered, and license fee of £1 1s., to be paid on the fall of the hammer.

Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892."

G. J. ROBERTS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves, Canterbury Land District, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 14th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th day of February, 1904, for leases of the undermentioned reserves.

If the reserves are unapplied for on the date mentioned they will remain open for lease at the upset rentals and for the terms stated below.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Block.	Reserve.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of Lease.
<i>Waiau Survey District.—Waiau Township.</i>				
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
XIII.	1 to 6, Town Block I.	1 2 0	0 5 0	7 years.
"	1 to 6, " II.	1 2 0	0 5 0	7 "
"	1 to 7, " III.	1 3 8	0 7 0	7 "
<i>Culverden Survey District.</i>				
XIII.	Reserve 3421 ..	747 0 0	10 0 0	4 "
<i>Hawkins Survey District.</i>				
V.	Lot 4, Reserve 1600 ..	40 0 0	2 0 0	7 "
<i>Rangitata Survey District.</i>				
VIII.	Part Reserve 1650 ..	147 0 0	14 14 0	7 "
<i>Arowhenua Survey District.—Arowhenua Township.</i>				
II.	Reserve 949 ..	0 3 0	1 0 0	7 "
<i>Waimate Survey District.—Waimate Township.</i>				
XIV.	Reserve 782 ..	0 3 38	1 5 0	7 "

Locality and Description of Reserves.

Waiau Town Blocks I., II., and III. are situated near the western end of the township, between Leonard and Highfield Streets.

Reserve 3421 forms part of the Hurunui Stock Reserve, and is situated on the north bank of the Hurunui River, adjacent to the Hurunui Traffic-bridge, and is intersected by the main road to Waiau. It comprises open flat land of light quality, with a considerable area of manuka scrub. Special attention is drawn to the conditions regarding the accommodation of travelling stock which attach to the lease of this reserve.

Lot 4, Reserve 1600, is situated about a quarter of a mile north-westward from Homebush Railway-station, on the Whitecliffs Branch Line, and comprises open level land of light quality, which is at present to some extent infested with gorse.

Part of Reserve 1650 comprises the northern portion of the North Rangitata Township Reserve, lying on both sides of the Main South Railway-line, adjacent to the Ealing Station, and consists of open level land of fair pastoral quality. The fencing now on the land is the property of the late lessees, who have the right, during such reasonable

time as the Land Board shall determine, of removing or otherwise disposing of the same.

Reserve 949 is situated in the Township of Arowhenua, near the junction of High and Studholme Streets.

Reserve 782 is situated in the Township of Waimate, fronting on High Street, between Holmes and Edward Streets.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

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

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

3. The leases will be for the terms stated above.

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

5. The lessee shall have no right to compensation either for any improvements that may be placed upon the land or on account of the aforesaid resumption, or for any other cause.

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

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

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

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

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

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

12. The lessee of Reserve 3421 will be required to at all times keep and provide upon the said land accommodation for travelling stock at rates not exceeding the following:—

For sheep, 5s. per 1,000 for twenty-four hours.

For horses and cattle, per twenty-four hours, 2d. per head up to twelve in number, and 1d. per head above that number.

The lessee of this reserve shall not at any time keep or depasture upon the said land stock of his own in such number as to interfere with the provision of reasonable and sufficient accommodation for the necessities of all travelling stock requiring to use the same.

T. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in Otago Land District liable to Forfeiture.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 14th December, 1903.

PURSUANT to section 215 of "The Land Act, 1892," notice is hereby given that the licenses of the undermentioned pastoral runs are liable to forfeiture, and that if the rent overdue thereon, together with the full amount of the penalty for non-payment at due date, be not paid within three months from the date hereof, the licenses will be declared forfeited.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

License No.	Run No.	County.	Licensee.
1148	95A	Vincent	Francis Cotter.
1149	99A	"	"
1194	333A	Lake	James Mabin and James Mitchell.
1213	249A	Vincent	Andrew James Charles, Benjamin Charles, and Joseph Charles.
1215s	Homestead attached to Run 249A	"	Ditto.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village Allotments in the Canterbury Land District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, 14th December, 1903.
NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for sale or selection, at this office, either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1904.
 In the event of more than one application being received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—AROWHENUA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.
Village Allotments.—First-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Geraldine..	Arowhenua..	492	II.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
" ..	" ..	494	"	0 1 0	30 0 0	7 10 0	1 10 0	0 3 9	1 4 0	0 3 0
" ..	" ..	777	"	0 1 0	30 0 0	7 10 0	1 10 0	0 3 9	1 4 0	0 3 0
" ..	" ..	777	"	0 1 0	50 0 0	12 10 0	2 10 0	0 6 3	2 0 0	0 5 0

Sections 492 and 494 front upon Rayner Street, between Denmark and Alexandra Streets, about 30 chains eastward from Temuka Railway-station, and are intersected by an old watercourse. Section 777 fronts upon Shaw Street, near Princes Street, about one mile eastward from Temuka Railway-station. The sections are suitable for residential and garden purposes. Selectors are limited to 2 acres in the settlement.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
 Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Beaumont Settlement, Southland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
 Invercargill, 7th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.
 If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WALLACE COUNTY.—WAIRAKI SURVEY DISTRICT.—BEAUMONT SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
9	XXIX.	A. R. P. 304 3 20	s. d. 1 4½	£ s. d. 10 9 7

Open land; all ridges, principally low, but in south-west corner rather steep and broken; mostly ploughable; about half in English grass, balance fern and tussock; good clay soil; permanent water. 122½ chains of good fencing on south and west boundaries; value of half-share, £30 12s. 6d. These improvements go with the land. The section is weighted with £10, valuation for fencing erected by former lessee. Situated nine miles from Nightcaps Railway-station by formed dray-road.

JOHN HAY,
 Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Pomahaka Downs Settlement, Otago Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
 Dunedin, 3rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 21st day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—CLUTHA COUNTY.—POMAHAKA SURVEY DISTRICT.—POMAHAKA DOWNS SETTLEMENT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
51	X.	A. R. P. 88 3 13	s. d. 4 3	£ s. d. 9 8 9

Good ploughable section, with deep, black soil; fairly well watered. Situated about six miles from Clinton.

D. BARRON,
 Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Kokatahi Village Settlement, Westland Land District, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
 Hokitika, 7th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—KOKATAHI VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
4	A. R. P. 0 2 1	£ s. d. 3 0 0	12	A. R. P. 0 2 0	£ s. d. 3 0 0
5	0 1 37	3 0 0	13	0 2 0	3 0 0
6	0 2 10	3 0 0	14	0 2 0	3 0 0
7	0 2 0	5 0 0	21	0 2 0	3 0 0
8	0 2 0	5 0 0	22	0 2 0	3 0 0
9	0 2 0	3 0 0	29	0 2 0	3 0 0
10	0 2 0	3 0 0	30	0 2 0	5 0 0
11	0 2 0	3 0 0			

Kokatahi Village is situated within seven miles of Kanieri Township, which is connected with Hokitika by daily tram and coach service.

G. J. ROBERTS,
 Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Taranaki Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

TARANAKI COUNTY.—PARITUTU SURVEY DISTRICT.

Spotswood Settlement.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.			£ s. d.	
87	IV.	19	2	0	2	5 0
					21	18 9
					10	6 9*

Section 87, Block IV., Paritutu Survey District, is situated between the Main South Road and the Herekawe Stream. The distance from New Plymouth by the Main South Road is 2 miles 45 chains, and from the Breakwater by the Main South and Ngamotu Roads 1 mile 60 chains. The section comprises flat and slightly hilly land, all in good pasture, though the grass on the back portion is somewhat coarse in places. The general quality of the section is good, the soil being a deep sandy loam on a clay subsoil, generally well watered. The improvements which are included in the price of the land consist of 44 chains of boundary and interior fencing valued at £15; garden, plantation, &c., £25. The improvements which are not included in the price of the land consist of an eight-roomed dwellinghouse, with passage, two brick chimneys (one double and one single); house built of rimu and kauri; three rooms dressed wood in ceilings, other rooms scrim and paper; corrugated-iron roof: valued in all at £225. Old wooden dairy, valued at £8; open cart-shed, valued at £5; dairy-factory building, £20; calf-shed, £2; cowshed, £5. Total, £265, repayable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £10 6s. 9d.

HAWERA COUNTY.—HAWERA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Tokaora Settlement.

Section.	Block.	A. R. P.			£ s. d.	
4	IX.	67	1	0	1	3 3 5
					39	3 6

Section 4, Block IX., Hawera Survey District, comprises rich, loamy, open agricultural land (except 5½ acres under plantation); about 51 acres was ploughed last year and is now under stubble, &c. The section is divided into two paddocks, and is well sheltered from the prevailing south-easterly winds by good plantations. The distance from Borough of Hawera and railway-station is about four miles, three of which is along a good metalled road. The altitude above sea-level varies from 230 ft. to 240 ft. The improvements (which go with the land) consist of about 98 chains of fencing, valued at £62.

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £265, payable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £10 6s. 9d. Total half-yearly, £32 5s. 6d.

JAMES MACKENZIE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Paparangi Settlement, Wellington Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HUTT COUNTY.—BELMONT SURVEY DISTRICT.—PAPARANGI SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
15A	XII.	A. R. P. 2 1 23	£ s. d. 3 0 0	£ s. d. 3 11 10

This section is situated in the Paparangi Settlement, and fronts on to the Porirua Road. The access is from Johnsonville, which is about half a mile distant by good metalled road. The section comprises low, open, grass spurs and gullies, with good building-site. The soil is of a fair quality, resting on clay-and-sandstone formation.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—BELMONT SURVEY DISTRICT.—PETONE BOROUGH.—MAUNGARAKI SETTLEMENT.

Ordinary Farms.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
120	XIII.	A. R. P. 7 3 6	£ s. d. 1 4 0	£ s. d. 4 13 5

Weighted with £1 10s. valuation for improvements.

The section is situated on the hills to the north of and close to the Korokoro Village Settlement. The access is from Petone Railway-station, which is about two miles distant, *via* the Korokoro, Maungaraki, and Akatea Roads, which are all formed for dray traffic. The section comprises easy undulating and hilly country; there is about half an acre in light native bush, the remainder being in grass, but patches are overgrown with gorse. The soil is of good quality, resting on clay-and-rock formation. The forest is light, comprising tawa, mahoe, hinau, &c, with a light undergrowth of the usual variety. The elevation ranges from about 300 ft. to 550 ft. above sea-level. The following improvements are included in the price of the section: 18 chains of old post-and-wire fencing, and estimated original cost of felling and sowing with grass the cleared portion of the section, valued at £26 5s. The section is weighted with £1 10s. for 15 chains of fencing.

113	XIII.	A. R. P. 4 2 9	£ s. d. 1 4 0	£ s. d. 2 14 8
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Weighted with £3 6s. 8d. valuation for improvements.

The section is situated on the hills to the north of and close to the Korokoro Village Settlement. The access is from Petone Railway-station, which is about two miles distant, *via* Korokoro and Maungaraki Roads, which are formed and metalled to within half a mile of the section; the last half-mile is formed but not metalled. The section comprises undulating and hilly country, falling from the front to the back. About 2 acres are under light native bush, the remainder has been cleared and grassed, but is now mostly overgrown with gorse. The soil is of good quality, resting on rock formation. The forest is light, comprising tawa, mahoe, kohekobe, hinau, and rata, with a light undergrowth of makomako, raranui, supplejack, &c. The elevation ranges from about 400 ft. to 500 ft. above sea-level. The improvement for which the section is weighted is an excavation for a house.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 3rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—KAWHIA COUNTY.—MAUNGAMANGERO SURVEY DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
985	0	0	0	10-2	20	13	8

Altitude, 1,000 ft. above sea-level. Mostly heavy tawa forest, with a small patch of manuka; soil of good quality, partly limestone and partly sandstone; well watered; generally consists of flat spurs and easy gullies. Has access to Ngapaenga and Pungarehu Roads. Situated about twenty-one miles from Te Kuiti.

A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
979	0	0	0	7-92	16	3	1

Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level. Mixed forest, with patches of manuka and rewarewa, tall heavy manuka in southern portion; partly sandstone formation, with limestone in south-eastern portion; generally easy spurs; well watered. Access to Ngapaenga and Pungarehu Roads. About twenty-one miles from Te Kuiti.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Mangaweka Village Settlement, Wellington Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned village-homestead allotment will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—RANGITIKEI COUNTY.—MANGAWEKA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
8	2	10	4	0	0	17	2

Weighted with £160, valuation for improvements. This section is situated in the rising township of Mangaweka, on the Batley Road. The access is from the main coach-road, which is about 10 chains distant by road which has been roughly formed but is in a bad state owing to heavy traffic. The distance from the section to the Post-office is about 55 chains. 45 chains of which is a good metalled road. The section comprises all flat or slightly undulating land; the soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The section is all felled and grassed, and is watered by a stream and well. The improvements comprise felling and grassing; 32 chains of fencing; orchard, stumped, dug up, and planted; four-roomed sawn timber house with one chimney and iron roof, outbuildings, and well.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 7th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WAIKAITI COUNTY.—TITIRANGI SURVEY DISTRICT.—PLUMER HAMLET.

Workmen's Homes.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
4	1	11	0	13	0	1	8	1
4	2	5	0	16	0	1	16	3
3	3	33	0	18	0	1	15	8
3	2	30	1	0	0	1	16	11

Level agricultural land; loam soil, clay subsoil; in native grass. The northern boundary of these lots is fenced. Lot 7 contains a race pavilion, which is dilapidated. Value of improvements, £2, which is included in price of section. Plumer Hamlet is situated at Henderson, fourteen miles from Auckland, and close to Henderson Railway-station, on the Auckland-Kaipara Railway-line.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Merrivale Settlement, Southland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 7th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order for selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WALLACE COUNTY.—WAIKAI SURVEY DISTRICT.—MERRIVALE SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
172	3	0	4	6-6	19	13	0

Open undulating land of fair quality; clay and limestone formation. Access by gravelled road from Otautau, distant fifteen miles. The section is about two miles and a half from schoolhouse. Permanent water. Improvements: 27½ chains wire fence and gorse hedge on main road, valued at £13 15s. No cash payment will be required for these improvements. The section, however, is weighted with valuation for the following improvements erected by the former lessee: Half-value of 55 chains wire fence on boundary of Section 14, £8 5s.; full value of 16 chains fence on road on western boundary, £4 16s.; half-value of 20 chains fence on boundary of Section 17, £4 10s.; half-value of fence bounding Section 16, £12 7s. 6d. Total valuation to be paid by incoming lessee: £29 18s. 6d.

JOHN HAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Wellington Land District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for sale or selection, at this office, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on Wednesday, the 30th day of December, 1903.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Woodville Block.

Akitio	..	Aohanga	..	27		V.		230	0	0		1	2	6		258	15	0		1	1	5		6	9	5		0	10	8		5	3	6
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Weighted with £552 valuation for improvements.

This section is situated on the Huia Road, in the Woodville Block. The access is from Rakaunui, which is about two miles distant by summer dray-road. The section comprises hilly land, of which about 180 acres are felled and grassed, the remainder is mixed forest. The soil is of fair quality, resting on papa formation. The section is watered by creeks. The elevation ranges from about 700 ft. to 1,100 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise about 183 acres felled and 180 acres grassed, 125 chains of fencing, orchard, three-roomed house of sawn timber with iron roof and chimney, sheds, and yards (out of repair). "Thirds" on this section will accrue for a period of six years and a half.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Awarua Block.

Rangitikei	..	Ruahine	..	1		V.		1,347	3	0		0	15	0		1,010	16	3		0	9		25	5	5		0	7	2		20	4	4
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The section is situated on the right bank of the Kawhatau River. The access is from Mangaweka, which is about sixteen miles distant—by partly metalled dray-road for eight miles, thence by 6 ft. track for four miles, thence by dray-road for three miles, the last half-mile being unformed. The section comprises rough hilly country. The soil is of rather light quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is fairly heavy, comprising rimu, matai, maire, white-pine, birch, &c., with a thick undergrowth of the usual variety. The section is fairly well watered. The Rangitikei County Council has a claim against this section of £3 10s. 3d. for arrears of rates. "Thirds" on this section will accrue for a period of fourteen years and a half.

Mekalickstone Block.

Akitio	..	Aohanga	..	8		VI.		100	0	0		1	0	0		100	0	0		1	0		2	10	0		0	9	6		2	0	0
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Weighted with £53 2s. 6d. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated on Bone Creek Road, in the Mekalickstone Block. The access is from Rakaunui, which is about eight miles distant, of which three miles are horse-track and the remainder summer dray-road. The section comprises undulating land, covered with scrub and manuka, with the exception of about 30 acres, which is grassed. The soil is clayey, resting on papa-and-sandstone formation. The section is watered by a creek. The elevation ranges from 800 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 30 acres felled and grassed, 11 chains of fencing, and whare (slabs with iron roof and chimney). The adjoining owner has a claim against the section for fencing, under "The Fencing Act, 1895." "Thirds" on this section will accrue for a period of ten years.

Kaiparoro Block.

Mauriceville	}	Taranua	..	6	|	IX.	|	500	0	0	|	1	0	0	|	500	0	0	|	1	0	|	12	10	0	|	0	9	6	|	10	0	0
Eketahuna																																	

Weighted with £987 10s. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated on the Mangatainoka Valley Road. The access is from Eketahuna Railway-station, which is about eleven miles distant by dray-road, seven miles metalled, and four miles formed dray-road metalled in places. The section comprises hilly land, flat on ridges. There is 350 acres felled and grassed; the remainder is green bush. The soil is of a poor clayey nature, resting on papa formation. The forest is medium, comprising rata, rimu, birch, &c., with the usual undergrowth of rangiora, supplejack, lawyers, ferns, &c. The section is well watered by permanent streams. The elevation ranges from about 700 ft. to 1,600 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 350 acres felled and grassed, 190 chains of fencing, and sheep-yards of sawn timber. "Thirds" on this section will accrue for a period of ten years.

Mauriceville		Taranua	—	28		XIV.		150	0	0		0	10	0		75	0	0		0	6		1	17	6		0	4	8		1	10	0
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Weighted with £122 10s. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated on the Kaiparoro Road. The access is from Mangamahoe Railway-station, which is about eight miles distant, of which six miles is metalled, the remainder formed dray-road. The section comprises hilly land. There is 60 acres felled and grassed; secondary growth appears in places; the remainder is green bush. The soil is of a poor clayey nature, resting on rotten rock-and-papa formation. The forest is medium, comprising birch, with a few rimus, tawa, rewarewa, &c., in gullies, with the usual undergrowth of supplejack, rangiora, ferns, &c. The section is well watered by a permanent stream. The elevation ranges from about 700 ft. to 1,200 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise about 60 acres felled and grassed, and whare out of repair. The adjoining owner is said to have a claim for fencing against the section. "Thirds" will accrue for a period of fifteen years.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Otago Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 3rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 21st day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

VINCENT COUNTY.—LEANING ROCK SURVEY DISTRICT.—EARNSCLEUGH SETTLEMENT.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
61 and 64	X.	25	3	8	0	3	4	2	3	0

Weighted with £11 19s. valuation for improvements.

Open level section, the soil ranging from good to inferior. Situated on Earnscleugh Flat, about three miles from the Town of Clyde.

WAITAKI COUNTY.—MARUWENUA SURVEY DISTRICT.—TOKARAHI SETTLEMENT.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
22	VIII.	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	5	0
23	"	0	2	20	1	0	0	0	6	3

Good level land, adjoining Tokarahi Railway station.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Canterbury Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 7th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.

Workmen's Homes.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

Tamai Hamlet.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
29	XII.	0	2	0	4	16	0	1	4	0
33	"	0	2	0	4	16	0	1	4	0
36	"	0	2	0	4	16	0	1	4	0

These sections are situated in the Tamai Hamlet, Woolston, Lots 29 and 33 fronting upon Smith's Road, and Lot 36 upon Mackworth Street, about two miles and a quarter south-east of Christchurch Post-office. They comprise flat and somewhat low-lying agricultural land; stiff black soil on clay subsoil.

Pawaho Hamlet.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
19	XVI.	1	2	2	0	18	3	0	13	10
20	"	1	3	2	0	18	3	0	16	1
21	"	2	0	3	0	18	3	0	18	5

These sections are situated on the hill-side sloping from the Lyttelton Borough Reservoir, fronting on the Hills Road, about half a mile west of Heathcote Valley Railway-station. The altitude is from 11 ft. to 150 ft. above sea-level, and the soil is of fairly good quality, on clay.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Te Kuiti Township, Auckland Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

Office of the Maniapoto-Tuwharetoa Land Council,
Otorohanga, 13th October, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be offered for lease by public auction, for a term of twenty-one years (with right of renewal for further terms of twenty-one years), at Hetit's Hall, Te Kuiti, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, 1903, at 10 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

KAWHIA COUNTY.—TOWNSHIP OF TE KUITI.

Lot.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.		Value of Improvements.
			£	s. d.	
1	II.	0 0 24	0	10	0
2	"	0 0 26	0	8	0
3	"	0 0 37	0	10	0
4	"	0 1 1	0	12	0
5	"	0 1 3	0	12	0
6	"	0 1 3	0	12	0
1	IV.	0 0 27	1	6	0
2	"	0 0 27	0	13	0
3	"	0 0 34	0	18	0
4	"	0 0 34	0	18	0
5	"	0 0 32	0	17	0
6	"	0 0 32	0	17	0
10	"	0 1 6	1	10	0
12	"	0 1 11	1	5	0
13	"	0 1 21	4	5	0
15	"	0 0 32	0	10	0
16	"	0 0 32	0	10	0
17	"	0 0 34	0	10	0
18	"	0 0 34	0	10	0
19	"	0 0 27	0	8	0
20	"	0 0 27	0	15	0
1	VI.	0 0 27	2	18	0
2	"	0 0 27	1	0	0
3	"	0 0 34	1	5	0
4	"	0 0 34	1	5	0
5	"	0 0 32	1	10	0
6	"	0 0 32	1	10	0
10	"	0 1 16	2	17	0
12	"	0 1 2	3	4	0
13	"	0 1 2	6	3	0
14	"	0 1 2	4	5	0
15	"	0 1 2	1	5	0
16	"	0 1 1	1	5	0
21	"	0 0 32	0	17	0
22	"	0 0 32	0	17	0
23	"	0 0 34	0	18	0
24	"	0 0 34	0	18	0
25	"	0 0 27	0	13	0
26	"	0 0 27	1	6	0
1	VII.	0 1 23	5	0	0
2	"	0 1 18	3	12	0
3	"	0 1 13	3	12	0
4	"	0 1 9	2	14	0
5	"	0 1 9	2	14	0
6	"	0 1 9	2	14	0
7	"	0 1 9	2	14	0
8	"	0 0 33	2	5	0
9	"	0 0 33	2	5	0
10	"	0 0 15	3	0	0
11	"	0 0 31	2	10	0
12	"	0 1 5	2	0	0
13	"	0 1 20	1	10	0
14	"	0 1 23	1	10	0
1	VIII.	0 0 36	7	0	0
2	"	0 0 36	4	10	0
3	"	0 0 36	4	10	0
4	"	0 0 36	4	10	0
6	"	0 0 36	4	10	0
7	"	0 0 36	4	10	0
8	"	0 0 28	4	10	0
9	"	0 0 28	4	10	0
10	"	0 1 2	10	0	0
11	"	0 0 26	5	0	0
13	"	0 0 28	2	5	0
14	"	0 0 36	2	14	0
15	"	0 0 36	2	14	0
16	"	0 0 36	2	14	0
17	"	0 0 36	2	14	0
18	"	0 0 36	2	14	0

£150, Ball's cottage.

£130, O'Brien's cottage.

£150, Adams's cottage.

Seymour's cottage to be removed within one month of date of sale.

Lot.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.			Value of Improvements.
		A. R. P.	£	s.	d.	
19	VIII.	0 0 36	2	14	0	
20	"	0 0 36	5	8	0	
1	IX.	0 0 30	5	0	0	
2	"	0 0 30	3	6	0	
3	"	0 1 21	5	0	0	£100, Bond's cottage.
4	"	0 2 9	4	10	0	
5	"	0 1 23	5	0	0	£250, Colebrook's cottage and outbuildings.
6	"	0 0 17	1	5	0	£110, Mayo's cottage; part on road.
7	"	0 0 11	1	0	0	
8	"	0 0 24	2	10	0	
9	"	0 0 21	1	15	0	
10	"	0 2 0	5	0	0	
4	X.	0 0 21	6	6	0	£10, B.N.Z. cottage.
6	"	0 1 5	10	10	0	£20, cottage, Franklin.
7	"	0 0 24	7	10	0	£210, store, &c., Green and Colebrook.
8	"	0 0 21	6	0	0	£25, store (Assyrian).
11	"	0 0 37	10	16	0	£75, store, Nicholson and Brown; part on road.
12	"	0 0 38	10	0	0	£8, stable.
13	"	0 0 28	3	15	0	
14	"	0 0 37	5	8	0	£30, cottage, Cashel; part on road.
15	"	0 0 21	3	3	0	
16	"	0 0 30	4	10	0	
17	"	0 0 21	3	0	0	
18	"	0 0 24	3	12	0	
19	"	0 0 25	6	3	0	
20	"	0 0 21	3	3	0	
1	XI.	0 1 3	2	10	0	
2	"	0 1 4	2	10	0	
3	"	0 1 36	2	10	0	
4	"	0 2 6	2	10	0	
5	"	0 2 33	2	15	0	
6	"	0 2 12	2	0	0	
7	"	0 2 14	2	0	0	
8	"	0 2 28	2	0	0	
9	"	0 3 33	2	10	0	
10	"	0 3 5	2	10	0	
11	"	0 3 11	3	0	0	
12	"	0 3 5	2	10	0	
13	"	0 3 16	3	0	0	
14	"	0 3 26	2	10	0	
16	"	0 3 10	3	0	0	
1	XIV.	0 1 2	7	5	0	
2	"	0 1 2	3	6	0	
3	"	0 1 2	3	6	0	
4	"	0 0 37	2	10	0	
5	"	0 0 37	2	10	0	
6	"	0 1 21	2	0	0	
7	"	0 1 21	2	0	0	
8	"	0 1 27	2	0	0	
9	"	0 1 27	2	0	0	
10	"	0 1 34	2	0	0	
12	"	0 1 30	2	0	0	
1	XV.	0 0 26	6	5	0	
2	"	0 0 23	2	5	0	
3	"	0 0 34	3	15	0	
4	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
5	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
6	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
7	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
8	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
9	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
10	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
11	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
12	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
13	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
14	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
15	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
16	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
17	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
18	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
19	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
20	"	0 0 28	3	6	0	
21	"	0 0 28	2	10	0	
22	"	0 0 32	7	5	0	
23	"	0 0 32	2	2	0	
24	"	0 0 32	2	2	0	£45, cottage.
25	"	0 0 32	4	5	0	
1	XIX.	0 1 0	1	10	0	
2	"	0 1 0	1	0	0	
3	"	0 1 7	1	5	0	
4	"	0 3 6	2	5	0	
5	"	0 2 35	2	0	0	

Lot.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.			Value of Improvements.
		A. R. P.	£	s.	d.	
7	XIX.	0 3 19	2	10	0	
8	"	0 1 32	2	10	0	
9	"	0 1 34	2	5	0	
10	"	1 1 11	2	10	0	
11	"	1 3 16	3	0	0	
12	"	1 3 16	3	10	0	
13	"	1 3 20	2	10	0	
14	"	1 2 13	3	0	0	
15	"	1 3 10	2	10	0	
16	"	2 0 3	3	0	0	
17	"	1 3 20	2	5	0	
18	"	1 3 37	3	15	0	
19	"	2 0 1	3	0	0	
20	"	2 0 6	4	0	0	
21	"	2 2 31	3	0	0	
22	"	1 3 31	2	10	0	
23	"	1 3 36	3	0	0	
24	"	1 0 26	2	0	0	
25	"	1 1 5	2	0	0	
26	"	1 0 38	2	0	0	

Locality and Description of Te Kuiti Township.

Te Kuiti Township is situated within what is known as the "King-country," on the North Island Main Trunk Railway-line, 127 miles from Auckland. It has for some time been a thriving business-place, and there is a considerable population there at present. There is a large area of Crown land in the vicinity, a great deal of which is already taken up, and, as settlement progresses, Te Kuiti Township is likely to become a place of considerable importance. There is a four-weekly train-service to it from Auckland, and it is understood there will be a daily train-service from Auckland as soon as the line is open to Taumarunui. The township is laid out on both sides of Te Kuiti Railway-station site and the railway-line. A portion of the township is on level land, and the remaining portion from undulating to hilly, and very suitable for residence and business sites. The soil is porous and dry, and the facilities for drainage are good.

GEO. T. WILKINSON,
President, Maniapoto-Tuwharetoa District
Maori Land Council.

Land in Poerua Settlement, Westland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Hokitika, 2nd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—GREY COUNTY.—TE KINGA SURVEY DISTRICT.—POERUA SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
17	X.	A. R. P. 87 0 0	s. d. 1 7½	£ s. d. 3 10 8

Situated on south side of Bell Hill Road, four miles and a half from Poerua Railway-station, and opposite school-house and dairy-factory reserves. One-quarter steep and stony hillside, remainder scrub and heavy timber, with big fall towards Bell Hill Road.

G. J. ROBERTS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Epuni Hamlet, Wellington Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HUTT COUNTY.—BELMONT SURVEY DISTRICT.—EPUNI HAMLET.

Workmen's Homes.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
104	XIV.	A. R. P. 3 0 0	£ s. d. 9 10 0	£ s. d. 14 5 0

Weighted with £1 6s. valuations for improvements.

This section is situated in the Waiwetu portion of the Hutt Valley. The access is from the Lower Hutt Railway-station, which is about two miles and a half distant, *via* the main road for about three-quarters of a mile, thence by the Middle Waiwetu and Wi Tako Roads, which are metalled. The section comprises first-class level agricultural land, laid down in English grasses. About 1½ acres were under oats last season, and, although it has not been sown, the grass is growing thickly. The soil is a rich alluvial loam of first-class quality, resting on clay-and-gravel formation. There is no water on the section, but it can be had by sinking. The elevation ranges from 10 ft. to 15 ft. above sea-level. The improvements which are included in the price comprise fencing, valued at £6. The section is weighted with £1 6s. for improvements to fencing.

84 | XIV. | 1 2 14 | 10 0 0 | 7 18 9

Weighted with 15s. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated in the portion of the Hutt Valley known as Epuni Hamlet, which adjoins the Borough of Lower Hutt on its eastern side. The access is from the Lower Hutt Railway-station, which is about two miles and a half distant—by the main road for about three-quarters of a mile, thence by the Middle Waiwetu and Wi Tako Roads, all of which are metalled. The section comprises first-class level agricultural land, all laid down in English grass. The soil is a rich alluvial loam of great depth, resting on clay-and-gravel formation. The section has no permanent water, but it can be had by sinking. The elevation ranges from 10 ft. to 15 ft. above sea-level. The improvements consist of 3 chains of fencing.

88 | XIV. | 1 0 19 | 10 0 0 | 5 11 11

Weighted with £2 2s. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated in the Waiwetu portion of the Hutt Valley, and adjoins the Lower Hutt Borough on the eastern side. The access is from the Lower Hutt Railway-station, which is about two miles and a quarter distant, *via* the Main Hutt Road for about three-quarters of a mile, thence by the Middle Waiwetu and Wi Tako Roads, which are all formed and metalled. The section comprises first-class level land. The whole area has been under cultivation, and, although it has not been sown down, there is a fair pasture of English grasses. The soil is a rich alluvial loam of good depth and quality, resting on clay and gravel. There is no water on the section, but it can be had by sinking. The elevation ranges from 10 ft. to 15 ft. above sea-level. The improvements consist of 7 chains of fencing.

82 | XIV. | 1 1 0 | 10 0 0 | 6 5 0

Weighted with £25 12s. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated in the portion of the Hutt Valley known as Epuni Hamlet, and adjoins the Borough of Lower Hutt on its eastern side. The access is from the Lower Hutt Railway-station, which is about two miles and a half distant, *via* the main road for about three-quarters of a mile, thence by the middle Waiwetu and Wi Tako Roads, all of which are formed and metalled. The section comprises first-class level agricultural land, all laid down in English grass. The soil is of good depth, resting on clay-and-gravel formation. The section has no permanent water, but it can be had by sinking. The improvements which go with the section and

are included in the price comprise fencing, valued at 16s. 3d. The section is weighted with £25 12s. for improvements, which comprise 12 chains of fencing, and a cottage 12 ft. by 14 ft. by 9½ ft.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run in Otago Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 1st December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Wednesday, the 20th day of January, 1904, under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

SECTIONS Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, Block V., Lower Wanaka District, Vincent County; area, 2,798 acres 3 roods 15 perches. Term, seven years. Upset annual rental, £11 13s. 3d.; weighted with £47 11s. valuation for improvements. Situated on the shores of Lake Wanaka, from two to four miles from Albert Town.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Glenham Settlement, Southland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 12th day of January, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—WYNDHAM SURVEY DISTRICT.—GLENHAM SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
21A	IX.	A. R. P. 216 1 18	s. d. 4 0	£ s. d. 21 12 9 4 1 11*

Open agricultural land, at an altitude varying from 290 ft. to 360 ft. above sea-level; undulating, easy-sloping ridges; watered by several creeks. The soil is good. The Glenham Railway-station is a mile and a quarter distant by the main road. The improvements which go with the land consist of the half-value of 94 chains of fencing on the west and south boundaries, 16 chains of gorse fencing and 76 chains of fencing on the road boundary (full value), also 112 chains subdivisive fencing; all valued at £84 12s. 6d.

The improvements which do not go with the land comprise one four-roomed cottage value £15, and one four-roomed cottage value £65; one milking-shed, eight bails, floored 8 ft. wide, open front, detached dairy, all in good order, value £25. Total value of buildings, £105, repayable by tenant in twenty-one years, by half-yearly instalments of £4 1s. 11d.

3A | V. | 97 1 0 | 4 9 | 11 11 0

Bush land. The forest contains valuable timber, principally matai (black-pine), with other mixed trees—hineline, maple, &c. The land is undulating, and steep for a few chains from the Kuriwai Creek; the soil is very good. The Kuriwai Creek gives a good and never-failing water-supply. The height above sea-level is from 100 ft. to 300 ft. Glenham Railway-station is two miles distant by a road which is not yet formed for dray traffic.

The improvements which go with the land consist of half-value of 20 chains post-and-wire fencing on the west boundary, and half-value of 72 chains inferior fencing on the north and east boundaries; all valued at £9 10s.

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £105, repayable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £4 1s. 11d. Total half-yearly payment, £25 14s. 8d.

JOHN HAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Marlborough Land District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for sale or selection, at this office, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1903.

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Marlborough	Heringa	2	VIII.	A. R. P. 727 0 0	s. d. 10 0	£ s. d. 363 10 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 9 1 9	s. d. 0 4 8	£ s. d. 7 5 5

Broken pastoral country; well watered; soil light; all bush, principally birch, with a few kahikatea, matai, and rimu trees. Situated about one mile and a half from Pelorus Bridge and sixteen miles and a half from Havelock. Altitude from 400 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land in Wellington Land District open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 3rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that all the right, title, and interest of the late James Richard Wood in an undivided moiety of the undermentioned section will be open for application in terms of section 154 of "The Land Act, 1892," on the occupation-with-right-of-purchase system, on and after Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903.

If more than one application is received on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington. If the interest referred to is not applied for on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1903, it will remain open for application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

N.B.—The successful applicant will hold the undermentioned section in partnership with Mr. William Davison, of Raetihi, as tenants in common, in terms of section 161 of "The Land Act, 1892," under an occupation-with-right-of-purchase license, which dates from the 27th August, 1896. He may enter into joint possession on date of sale, and shall thereupon become jointly liable on said date for compliance with conditions as to punctual payments of rental, residence, improvements, &c. The value of improvements already effected is about £165 short of the amount required under section 144 of "The Land Act, 1892," and the incoming partner will be held jointly liable for effecting the total value of improvements in arrear.

SCHEDULE.

WAIMARINO COUNTY.—MAKOTUKU SURVEY DISTRICT.—WANGANUI UNITED WEST BLOCK.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
16	VI.	A. R. P. 216 0 0	s. d. 1 1 5	£ s. d. 6 1 6

Weighted with £57 15s. valuation for improvements. This section is situated in the Wanganui United West Block, about one mile and a quarter from Raetihi Township. The access is from Raetihi by the Hukaroa Road, which is formed for dray traffic to within about half a mile from the section; the remaining distance is formed bridle-track. The section comprises hilly land on the frontage, but at the back the land becomes more easy, with occasional flats. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The forest is heavy, comprising rimu, matai, tawa, miro, maire, with thick undergrowth of the usual kind. The section is well watered. The elevation ranges from about 1,600 ft. to 1,900 ft. above sea-level. The improvements effected by the late Mr. Wood, whose interest is now offered, comprise 12 acres grassed, and a two-roomed house. The total value of the improvements on the section is £115 10s.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Hawke's Bay Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 23rd November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1903, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the same section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

WAIKAWA COUNTY.

Ruataniwha Survey District.—Forest Gate Settlement.

3	XII.	A. R. P. 624 0 0	£ s. d. 0 5 3-25	£ s. d. 82 5 9
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Mixed agricultural and pastoral land; altitude, 400 ft.; 270 acres is good soil, 170 acres light and shingly, and balance old river-bed of poor quality. The Tukituki River forms southern boundary, and water can also be obtained from wells. Improvements included in the price of the section amount to £14 17s. 6d., and improvements to be paid for by the incoming tenant are 90 chains fencing (£10) and a 14 ft. by 9 ft. building (£10: total £20). Situated about eight miles from Waipawa by metalled road.

Waipukurau Survey District.—Hatuma Settlement.

7	XIII.	432 2 0	0 6 1-7	64 17 6
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Flat agricultural land carrying English and native grasses; well watered by the Maharakeke Stream. Improvements to be paid for by the incoming tenant are half-share western boundary-fence (£23 8s. 9d.). Situated about six miles from Takapu, and five miles and three-quarters from Waipukurau, by good dray-roads.

PATANGATA COUNTY.

Elsthorpe Settlement.—Village Sections.

9	..	0 1 0	1 12 0	0 4 0
10	..	0 1 0	1 12 0	0 4 0
13	..	0 1 0	1 12 0	0 4 0
19	..	0 2 16	0 16 8	0 5 0

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Auckland Land District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 13th November, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for sale or selection at this office, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1903.

If more than one application is received for the section on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Hokianga	Waoku	85	IX.	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
				136 1 16	7 6	51 0 0	0 4.5	1 5 6	0 3.6	1 0 5

Weighted with £563, valuation for kauri timber.

About 40 acres undulating land of good quality, balance broken and precipitous, covered with mixed forest and clumps of kauri; contains 305 kauri-trees, or about 750,225 superficial feet. Situated one mile and a half from Waimamaku Post-office.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

NATIVE LAND COURT NOTICES.

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

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT OF NEW ZEALAND.

In the matter of Rangitoto-Tuhua No. 77, and of the application of Ngatokowha under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

WHEREAS the above application was referred by me to the Native Land Court for inquiry and report, and the same has been duly reported on: And whereas it appears that the said Ngatokowha has the same right in the said block as the other members of Ngatihinerangi who were admitted as owners thereof, but at the time the said block passed the Court his name was accidentally omitted: And whereas the said block has since been partitioned:

Now, therefore, for the purpose of rectifying the said omission, and in exercise of the power in that behalf vested in me as Chief Judge of the Native Land Court by section 39 aforesaid, I hereby order that the name of the said Ngatokowha be included as the owner of three shares in that portion of the said block called by the Court on partition Rangitoto-Tuhua No. 77F No. 1, and that the order of the Court ascertaining the title to the said Rangitoto-Tuhua No. 77F No. 1 be amended accordingly

As witness my hand, this 14th day of December, 1903.

GEO. B. DAVY, Chief Judge.

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

Native Land Court (Chief Judge's Office), Wellington, 6th November, 1903.

IT is hereby notified that the application of R. K. Hawaikirangi, under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for amendment of the award of shares to the owners of Pukerowhiti Block, has been dismissed.

GEO. B. DAVY, Chief Judge.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Taumarunui, Auckland.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 4th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Taumarunui on the 18th day of December, 1903, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Auckland, 1903-72.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 38 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Nature of Application.
1201	J. W. Ellis, agent for Takurus te Kuru, Hiriwaka Manunui, Te Waiparemo, Numanga Rauhoto, Ngamane Pukeariki, Kahu te Kuru, Takurus Takiwa, and Kirihuka Takiwa (345-6, 2/103)	Ohura South B and D	Application to have an alleged error in the dividing-line between the said blocks corrected.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 9th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that applications have been made to 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.

[Auckland, Sec. 55, 1903-28.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
42	Transfer (C.A. 1903-108) ..	5th November, 1903 ..	Te Komata North No. 1B No. 2B	Haora Tupaea, of Ohinemuri, to Arthur Allan Wight, of Paeroa.
43	Transfer (C.A. 1903-109) ..	5th November, 1903 ..	Te Komata North No. 1B No. 2B	Karaka Kamura, of Ohinemuri, to Arthur Allan Wight, of Paeroa.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Tauranga, Auckland.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 11th December, 1903.
NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Tauranga on the 18th day of January, 1904, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.
 Auckland, 1904-3.] JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED APPLICATION.		
4	Tawaha te Riri, Tewi Paratene, Timi te Rua, Hone te Rangihau, and Ani te Rangihau (86-19, 1/210)	Matakana.
NEW APPLICATIONS.		
5	Miriana te Pirangi, Te Keeti, Te Wati, and Teraa Maihi (218-3, 1/219)	Te Paeroa, Maungatapu.
6	Te Hura Hetara, Ngarino Tutahi, Rena Tarahina, and Hone Whakana (12-8, 1/222)	Maungatapu No. 1.
7	Ngarino Tutahi, Rena Tarahina, Henare Tutahi, Te Hura Hetara, and Hoone Whakana (159-10, 1/223)	Te Ranginui.
8	Ngarino Tutahi, Mikaere, Kohu Mikaere, and Mounu (100-15, 1/224)	Ngapeke No. 1.
9	Te Hura Hetara, Mehaka Paramena, Arama Whakatau, and Kihirini Reweti (144-6, 1/225)	Kaitimako No. 2.
10	Te Hura Hetara, Mehaka Paramena, and Kihirini Reweti (163-7, 1/226)	Tongaparaoa No. 2.
11	Te Rauhea Paraone, Ngawaiwera, and others (254-2, 1/227) ..	Lot 115, Parish of Te Papa.
12	Te Hura Hetara and Hekapa Netana (146-9, 1/228) ..	Matapihi No. 3c.
13	Te Rongokahira (88-14, 1/229) ..	Papamoa No. 2, Sections 3 and 9.
14	Timi te Rua, Ani te Rangihau, Tewi Paratene, Teriri Tawaha, Wharekawa te Maihi, Ngawiki te Muri, and Matiu Tarera (86-31, 1/230)	Matakana No. 1.
15	Wahia te Moananui, Hori Ngarae, Ani Ngarae, Tatare Werekake, Puhipi Mare, and others (86-32, 1/231)	Matakana No. 1.
16	Timi te Rua, Teriri Tawaha, Tewi Paratene, Ngawiki te Muri, Ani te Rangihau, Hone te Rangihau, and Matapapa te Rua (86-34, 1/232)	Matakana.
17	Maria Ngaone Tupaea, Kaka, Rakapa Tini Poaka, Tokerau te Wiremu, Petera te Ninihi, Hape te Riha, and Matahou te Waru (199 B.P.-28, 3/207)	Motiti A.
18	Te Karauna Pini, Paraire Pini, Te Aohuakirangi (88-16, 1/234) ..	Papamoa No. 2, Section 4.
19	Ngarino Tutahi, Henare Tutahi, and others (143-7, 1/235) ..	Kaitimako No. 1.
20	Ngarino Tutahi, Henare Tutahi, and others (149-10, 1/236) ..	Te Ngaio Otuaipo.

APPLICATIONS TO DETERMINE RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED APPLICATIONS.		
309	Mary Potier, Jane Potier, Alice Potier, Louisa Potier, James Potier, Charles Potier, and Albert Potier (35-5, 1/208)	Oteora.
310	Tawaha te Riri, Tewi Paratene, Timi te Rua, Hone te Rangihau, and Ani te Rangihau (86-20, 1/211)	Matakana.
NEW APPLICATIONS.		
311	Hori Ngarae, Puu Mare, Herewini Hori, Rihari Hori, Moka Mere, and Hone Mere (86-24, 1/218)	Matakana No. 1.
312	Titikawhena Keremeta, Te Whetu Tawakura, Ihia te Punaki-rotorua, Hinenui te Wheutu, and Mere Titia (88-15, 1/233)	Papamoa No. 2, Sections 5 and 7.
313	Tukere and Maihi te Poria (51-64, 1/237) ..	Poripori Nos. 1 and 2.
314	Maria Ngaone Tupaea, Kaka, Rakapa Tini Poaka, Petera te Ninihi, Tokerau te Wiremu, and Matahou te Waru (199 B.P.-27, 3/206)	Motiti A.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 77 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RELATIVE INTEREST OF THE OWNERS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED APPLICATION.		
315	Richard John Gill, Land Purchase Officer, Tauranga (69-7, 1/201)	Whakamarama No. 1.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 46 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR PROBATE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
316	Mere Raiha Pakihana (259, 1/167)	Ruka Tamakohe.

APPLICATION FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDER.

No.	Name of Surveyor.	Name of Land.	Area.	Amount.
318	Richard Coles Jordan (72-4, 5/60)	Matapihi No. 1A1	23a. 3r. 21p.	£2 10s.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 68 OF "THE RATING ACT, 1894," FOR SANCTION TO SELL NATIVE LAND FOR NON-PAYMENT OF RATES.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land
319	The Katikati Road Board (257-1, Partn. 1/216)	Lot 34, Parish of Te Mania.

LAND REFERRED TO THE NATIVE LAND COURT FOR INQUIRY UNDER SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

320
 Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 11th December, 1903.
 IN pursuance of an Order in Council, dated the 2nd day of November, 1903, authorising the Native Land Court, under subsection 10 of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," to exercise in respect of the land known as Lot 3, Parish of Katikati, containing 32 acres, more or less, jurisdiction to determine who are the Natives entitled beneficially to such land by virtue of the trust expressed in the Crown grant thereof, and to order the inclusions of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by the said subsection 10 of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and its amendments, so far as the same may be necessary or applicable for the purpose aforesaid, it is hereby notified that at a sitting of the Native Land Court to be held at Tauranga on the 18th day of January, 1904, and succeeding days, the Court will proceed to inquire into the above case, in accordance with the terms of the said Order in Council.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

Application for Confirmation Certificate under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 15th December, 1903.
 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.

[Wellington, Sec. 55.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (1903-215) ..	14th November, 1903	Waitara Survey District, Block I., Section 14	Maraea to William Bain Gordon Glassford.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Whanganui.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 15th December, 1903.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Whanganui, on the 20th day of January, 1904, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Wellington, 1903-46.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (94-133)	18th March, 1898	Wairoa Survey District, Block XII., Section 105, Lot 66B	Heta te Manurua to William Beaumont Fisher.
2	Lease (1903-42)	8th August, 1903	Ngatarua No. 6	Wikitoria Keepa to Albert Barns.
3	Lease (1903-204)	3rd November, 1903	Aramoho, part of Sub-division 6	Rangipake Nahona to John Watson.
4	Lease (1903-6)	15th October, 1903	Pakaraka, part of Section 1E	Patumoana Uru to Joseph Chapman.
6	Lease (1903-223)	18th May, 1899	Kaiate, part of Block No. 2	Ariki Marehua and others to William Craig.
6	Lease (1903-224)	7th July, 1903	Rakautaua 4B	Hoani Tairaroa (as trustee for Pitimou Kariwhare) to James Craig.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
22	Hirapeka Ngahue, <i>alias</i> Rupuhe, and Petera Rupuha	Ngapukewhkapu No. 3.
23	Henare te Aro	Rangiwaia 4E.
24	Tiemi te Wiki and others	Parapara No. 2.
25	Whatarangi Teka and others	Ranana.
26	Turuhira Warena and others	Ranana.
27	Eruera Taika and another	Matatera No. 1.
28	Akapita Ngatoa and others	Murimotu No. 4.
29	Piripi Ropiha	Ratahi No. 1.
30	Rota te Huia Kapa	Te Maire.
31	Ngakura te Aohau	Pukenui No. 2.
32	Arama Tinirau and Paata Hineuru	Ranana.
33	Eruera Whakaahu	Matatera No. 2.
34	Ani Pakihiwi	Maraetau No. 4.
35	Ariki Marehua	Waitahanui No. 7.
36	Ratana te Urumingi.	Te Pungarehu.
37	Ratana te Urumingi.	Omaru.
38	Heperi Pikirangi and others	Rangipo Waiu No. 2.
39	Heperi Pikirangi and others	Rangipo Waiu (Native Reserve).
40	Rangiwhakateka and others	Koiro.
41	Te Huia Kotuku	Maraekohai.
42	Raita Tukia	Murimotu 2B.
43	Pire Puroku and others	Maraetau No. 4.
44	Eruini te Wiki and others	Pakaraka No. 1.
45	Whakapu Ngahoari	Rangiwaia 4F.
46	Tiemi te Wiki and others	Rangiwaia Tarere No. 2.
47	Wanihi te Kou, Abungarangi Raita, and Maata Raima	Tauakira 2P.
48	Hone Tumango and Henare Tumango	Paetawa.
49	Taketake Rangitupio	Tawhitinui.
50	Waata Wi Hipango	Taumatamahoe No. 2B.
51	Paora Paihana	Wainui.
52	Tiini te Arahore	Tauakira No. 2U.
53	Tiini te Arahore	Kai Iwi No. 5G.
54	M. H. Crichton	Awarua 3A No. 2E.
55	Pineaha Utiku	Patupa.
56	Pura Makirika and Pua Kotiri	Rangitatau 1D No. 2.
57	Aropeta Tamumu, Rahera Mautukua, and Wiki Aropeta	Pakaraka No. 1.
58	Ruihi Wunu	Rakautau 1A No. 3.
59	Ngahua Hiha	Awarua 4C No. 3.
60	Ngahua Hiha	Motukawa 2B No. 16.
61	Whakaepa Heremia and Ngatura	Whakaihukaka.
62	Whakaepa Maria and others	Waharangi No. 7 (Paekaka).
63	Tuatini te Waiho and Te Waka Maehe	Waharangi No. 5 (Tawhare).
64	Tuatini te Waiho and Te Waka Maehe	Waharangi No. 6 (Te Autumutu).
65	Rimitirini Kabukura and others	Te Pungarehu.
66	Tiini te Arahore	Kai-Iwi No. 1.
67	Kirihoro Waimaihi	Owhaako B No. 1.
68	Kirihoro Waimaihi	Oruamatua 3C.
69	Kirihoro Waimaihi	Owhaako B.
70	Kirihoro Waimaihi	Motukawa 2B 15.
71	Kirihoro Waimaihi	Awarua 3D3 No. 4.
72	Kirihoro Waimaihi	Motukawa 2B.
73	Wikitoria Keepa and Waata W. Hipango	Paranuiamata No. 10 (Putiki).
74	Wikitoria Keepa and Waata W. Hipango	Taumata-Karoro (Putiki).
75	Ena Hipango and others	Tawhitinui.
76	Te Awe Potaka	Pakaraka 1L.
77	Tamehana Kohiti	Te Tuhi 4c.
78	Karewhare Pitimou	Tawaroa (Parewanui).
79	Nika Waiata and Ropera Waiata	Waimarino A.
80	Nika Waiata and Ropera Waiata	Morikau No. 1.
81	Hoani H. te Rawiri, Ringa Matinginui, Taihape Ruai, and Teka Matanginui	Pakaraka 1I.
82	Inia Ranginui	Waipu 4A No. 3.
83	Te Uranga Kaiwhare and Kawhena Ngarau	Rangitatau 1D No. 5.
84	Hori Kerei Paipai	Onetere No. 1.
85	Hori Pukehika	Te Parapara No. 2A No. 2.
86	Mata Rautahi (by her agent, H. T. Whatahoro)	Otumauma.
87	Mata Rautahi	Parapara No. 2.
88	Mata Rautahi	Wharepuni.
89	Rakei Rukuwai	Nukumaru 1B No. 2.
90	Rahera Tiweta	Te Parapara 2B No. 2.
91	Archibald McDonnell (by his agent, Thomas Lloyd)	Kapakapa No. 6.
92	Archibald McDonnell	Kapakapa No. 4.
93	Archibald McDonnell	Kapakapa No. 3.
94	Hera te Huiarei (by her agent, H. D. Bennett)	Awarua 2C No. 13J.
95	Hera te Huiarei	Awarua 2C No. 13L.
96	Hera te Huiarei	Awarua 2C No. 16.
97	Ngahina Harawira and Ruia Henare Kepa	Awarua 3D No. 3, Subdivision 17.
98	Ngahina Harawira and Ruia Henare Kepa	Motukawa 2B No. 7.
99	Rangi Tanguru	Awarua 4C No. 15.
100	Erueti Arani (by his agent, J. M. Fraser)	Owhaako D No. 7.
101	Erueti Arani	Oruamatua-Kaimanawa 1V.
102	Erueti Arani and Ihaka te Konga	Motukawa No. 2A.
103	Erueti Arani (by his agent, J. M. Fraser)	Owhaako D No. 7.
104	Taraua Utiku Marumaru	Carnarvon, Section 350.
105	Te Hirata Ngapaki and others	Rangipo-Waiu No. 1.
106	Heperi Pikirangi and others	Rangipo-Waiu No. 2.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION—continued.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
107	Heperi Pikirangi	Rangipo-Waiu (Reserve).
108	Ereni Nehemia	Maraetaua No. 4.
109	Pineaha Utiku and Ratana te Urumingi	Kai-Iwi No. 5.
110	Ruahoata te Ihioterangi	Rakautaua No. 3.
111	Pukapuka Rawiri	Motukawa No. 2B.
112	Te Maari Taiuru and Miriama Anita	Motukawa No. 2B, Section 10.
113	Wireti Nopera	Tauakira 2w.
114	Eruini te Wiki, Tiemi te Wiki, and Te Whango te Wiki	Wharepu.
115	Mary Spooner	Raketaupauma 1E No. 2, Section 2.
116	Akapita te Ahitoro	Rangiwaia 4F No. 14A.
117	Mere Makareta Allan and Te Whanau	Ohotu 6c.
118	Mere Makareta Allan and Te Whanau	Ohotu 6f.
119	Patumoana Uru te Angina	Karaka B No. 2B.

APPLICATIONS FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDERS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount.
			£ s. d.
612	Charles W. Reardon	Maputahi No. 1D No. 1	4 12 0
613		Maputahi No. 1D No. 3	6 16 0
614		Maputahi No. 1D No. 4	7 8 0
615		Maputahi No. 1D No. 5	10 9 0
616		Wairoro No. 3C	7 13 6
617		Wairoro No. 3B	2 3 0
618		Wairoro No. 3A	6 6 9
619		Tauakira 2B No. 1	13 0 0
620		Tauakira 2B No. 2	18 10 0
621		Tauakira 2N	33 19 3
622		Tauakira 2O	33 19 3
623		Tauakira 2P	29 17 3
624		Tauakira 2Q	42 18 3
625		Murimotu 3B	96 14 0
626		Murimotu 4B	77 0 0
627		Murimotu 5B	68 0 0
628		Popotea No. 2	30 0 0
629		Maungakaretu 5B 2B No. 1	19 15 0
630		Commissioner of Crown Lands	Maungakaretu 5B 2B No. 2 .. .. .	51 10 0
631	Rangitatau 1D No. 3	40 10 3	
632	Rangitatau 1D No. 4	7 7 0	
633	Rangitatau 1D No. 5	39 11 8	
634	Papabana	46 10 0	
635	Motukawa No. 1B	30 10 0	
636	Motukawa No. 2D No. 2A	37 4 6	
637	Motukawa No. 2D No. 2B	12 15 0	
638	Motukawa No. 2E No. 2	6 6 0	
639	Motukawa No. 2F No. 2	13 4 0	
640	Murimotu No. 2B	81 13 4	
641	Rangitatau 1D No. 2	45 10 6	
642	Pohonuiatane 3D No. 1	55 10 1	
643	Thomas William Downes	Pohonuiatane 3D No. 4	36 17 4
644	Pohonuiatane 3D No. 2	18 9 10	
645	Pohonuiatane No. 3	18 9 6	
646	Charles William Reardon	Kaitangata No. 1A	2 5 0
		Kaitangata No. 1B	2 2 0
		Kaitangata No. 1c	2 5 0
		Kaitangata No. 2	2 2 6
		Kaitangata No. 3	1 10 0
		Kaitangata No. 4	1 7 6
		Kaitangata No. 5	2 10 0
		Kaitangata No. 6	2 5 0
		Kaitangata No. 7	2 2 0
		Kaitangata No. 8	1 10 0
647	Charles W. Reardon	Kaitangata No. 9	2 17 6
		Kaitangata No. 10	1 7 6
		Otiranui No. 1	105 4 3
		Otiranui No. 2	27 15 0
		Otiranui No. 3	52 10 9
648	Charles W. Reardon	Otiranui No. 4	46 4 9
		Otiranui No. 5	14 7 3
649	John Annabell	Karaka A and B	74 4 0
650	John Annabell	Kaiate No 2	3 0 6
651	Chief Surveyor	Kaiate No 2B	10 4 3
652		Motukawa 1A	16 11 6
653		Motukawa 2C	17 3 2
654		Motukawa 2E No. 1	6 8 7
655		Motukawa 2E No. 2	1 2 2
656		Motukawa 2F No. 1	0 7 5
657		Motukawa 2F No. 2	8 7 2
657	James Orme Barnard	Ranana	174 19 5

APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF INTERESTS ACQUIRED BY THE CROWN.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
658	Minister of Lands	Whitianga No. 2.
659		Mangapapa 1c No. 2a.
660		Rangiwaia-Tarere No. 2.
661		Rangiwaia-Otarara No. 2.
662		Rangiwaia 4f No. 17.
663		Rangiwaia-Otarara No. 2.
664		Rangiwaia-Tarere No. 2.
665		Urewera No. 1.
666	Urewera No. 2.	

APPLICATIONS FOR PROBATE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
667	Whakapae Taitoko	Werahiko Taipuhi.
668	Porokoru te Patu	Ani Maringi.
660	Ngahuia Harawira	Henare Kapa.
670	Tuiri Waitera	Tipene Waitera.

APPLICATION FOR RIGHT OF ROAD.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
677	Whakarau Eruera	Ruatangata 1A No. 1 and Ruatangata 1A No. 2.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 3 OF "THE NATIVE LAND CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT AND LAWS AMENDMENT ACT, 1901."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Nature of Application.
678	Rangi Whakateka (Wh. 103-45)	Maraekohai A (formerly known as Maraekohai No. 2A and 2B No. 2)	That the Court proceed with the partition of said block as if comprised in one title containing the names of the persons found in the partition orders for Maraekohai Nos. 2A and 2B No. 2, and dated respectively the 1st day of August, 1896, and the 5th day of June, 1899, and on the basis of the original shares or interests of such persons in the Maraekohai Block.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Weraroa, Levin.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 14th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Weraroa, Levin, on the 14th day of January, 1904, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Wellington, 1903-47.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1	Tiripa Taueki and others (by their agent, J. M. Fraser)	Horowhenua XI.B, Section 41.
2	Unaiki Tawhati and others	Horowhenua XI.B 36, Section 2L.
3	Tiripa Taueki and others	Horowhenua XI.B 36, Section 1E.
4	Taare Mautai and others	Horowhenua XI.B 36, Section 3H.
5	Peene Tikara	Horowhenua 3E No. 1, Section 1.

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Name of Infant.
28	J. Matai Porotene	Horowhenua, Block XI., and other subdivisions of said block	Ruhira te Waiata.

MAORI LAND ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

Meeting of Aotea District Maori Land Council at Weraroa, Levin. — "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

Maori Lands Administration Office, Wellington, 10th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Aotea District Maori Land Council will be held at Weraroa, Levin, on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1904, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering and determining applications for the variation of restrictions on the subdivisions of Horowhenua 11B No. 36 (Kawiu) Block, and consenting or otherwise to the terms of leases thereof; also such other business as may be brought before the said Council.

R. C. SIM, Recorder.

Tenders for Lubricating-oils for New Zealand Railways.

Railway Department (Head Office), Wellington, 12th December, 1903.

THE undermentioned successful and unsuccessful tender rates for the supply of lubricating-oils for 1903-4 for New Zealand Railways are published for general information.

T. RONAYNE,
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

Tenderer(s).	Description of Oil.	Place of Delivery.	Rate per Gallon.	Remarks.
Philips and Pike, agents for Jas. Service and Co.	High-pressure filtered valve	Auckland ..	s. d. 2 3	Accepted.
		Wellington ..	2 3	
		Lyttelton ..	2 3	
		Port Chalmers ..	2 3	
Briscoe and Co. (Limited), Wellington ..	Ditto	Auckland ..	1 7½	Declined.
		Wellington ..	1 7½	
		Lyttelton ..	1 7½	
		Port Chalmers ..	1 7½	
Vacuum Oil Company	Dark cylinder ..	Auckland ..	2 4	"
		Wellington ..	2 4	
		Lyttelton ..	2 4	
		Port Chalmers ..	2 4	
Ed. Reece and Sons	Valvoline cylinder ..	Lyttelton ..	2 3	"
Ashby, Bergh, and Co.	High-pressure filtered valve	Four centres (as above)	1 8½	"
			1 11½	
			3 1½	
			1 7½	
Briscoe and Co. (Limited), Auckland ..	Ditto	Ditto	1 11½	"
Briscoe and Co. (Limited), Wellington ..	Dark mineral axle ..	"	0 9½	Accepted.
Philips and Pike, agents for Jas. Service and Co.	"	"	0 10	Declined.
Vacuum Oil Company	"	"	0 11½	"
Ashby, Bergh, and Co.	"	"	1 2½	"
			1 0½	
			0 10½	
Briscoe and Co. (Limited), Auckland ..	"	"	1 5½	"

* Four samples.

† Three samples.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that a first and final dividend, of 3s. 6d. in the pound, is now payable at my office on all proved and admitted claims in the estate of EMMA ASHWIN, Restaurant-keeper, Wanganui.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 14th December, 1903.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT BRUIN SMITH, trading as "Clapham and Co.," of Wanganui, Tailors, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 21st day of December, 1903, at 3 o'clock p.m.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 11th December, 1903.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM MEIN SMITH, of Carterton, Butcher, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Carterton, on Friday, the 18th day of December, 1903, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 10th December, 1903.

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

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 29th day of December, 1903, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1903.

- Smart, William, of Whitecliffs, Engineer.
- Bennett, William, of Greenpark, Farmer.
- Delahunt, Jane, of Springfield Road, Grocer.
- Trengrove, W. H., of Christchurch, Engine-smith.
- Flanagan, C., of Christchurch, Tailor.
- Bird, F. J., of Burwood, Baker.
- Barns, D., of Christchurch, Baker.
- Thomson, F. J., of Christchurch, Married Woman.
- Denholm, J. J., of St. Albans, Storekeeper.
- Bellwood, A. C. and A., of Cheviot, Storekeepers.
- Jordan, Thomas, of Addington, Labourer.
- Joyce, Alex., of Christchurch, Clerk.
- Wright, Arthur, of Christchurch, Picture-framer.
- Faville, C. C., of Addington, Baker.
- Stanton, Alfred, of Christchurch.

G. L. GREENWOOD,
Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM STONYER, of Ashburton, Commission Agent, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 17th day of December, 1903, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOHN DAIVSON,
Deputy Official Assignee.

11th December, 1903.

MINING NOTICES.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

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

When formed, and date of registration of office of company in colony: 6th May, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Attorney: Shortland Street, Auckland; Charles Rhodes.

Where mine is situate: Waitekauri.

Nominal capital: £295,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £294,170.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash in colony: £6,014 17s. 6d.

Price paid to vendors of mine—

(a.) In fully paid up shares: £30,000.

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

(c.) In cash: £70,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 295,000.

Number of shares on Colonial Register: 18,793.

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

Amount called up per share (Colonial Register): £1.

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

Number of shares forfeited (Colonial Register): Nil.

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

Number of shareholders on Colonial Register: 119.

Number of men employed by company in colony: Say, 40.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during period since last statement: 7,153 oz.; £3,536 9s. 1d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration of office of company in colony: 390,032 oz.; £373,705 11s. 4d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on mining operations in colony during period since last statement: £18,122 19s. 11d.

Total expenditure since registration of office of company in colony: £468,077 0s. 7d.

Total amount of dividends paid in colony: £5,466 18s.

Amount of cash at banker's in colony: Nil.

Amount of cash in hand in colony: £1 10s. 5d.

Amount of debts directly due to company in colony: £16 5s. 8d.

Amount of such debts considered good: £16 5s. 8d.

Amount of liabilities of company (if any) in colony: £122 5s. 10d.

Amount of debts owing by company: £1,046 0s. 5d.

I, Charles Rhodes, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Waitekauri Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company as on the 31st day of May, 1903 (being the date of the last balance-sheet); and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

CHAS. RHODES.

Declared at Auckland, this 10th day of December, 1903, before me—Thornton Jackson, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 1087

OKARITO AND FIVE-MILE GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of shareholders of the above company will be held at my office, Citizens Life Chambers, Customhouse Quay, Wellington, on Wednesday, 17th February, 1904, at 2.30 p.m., to receive Liquidator's report and balance-sheet.

CHAS. E. FABIAN, Liquidator.

Wellington, 16th December, 1903. 1102

THE BONANZA 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 shareholders of the abovenamed company will be held at the registered office of the company, No. 1, Bond Street, Dunedin, on Monday, the 29th day of February, 1904, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, 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 hearing any explanation that may

be given by the Liquidator, and also determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the liquidation thereof, shall be disposed of.

Dated at Dunedin, this 12th day of December, 1903.

1090

DAVID LARNACH, Liquidator.

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," and its amendments, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within one month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

4023. CHARLES STRAKA.—Part of Allotments 4 and 6, Parish of Puhoi, containing 21 acres 3 roods. Occupied by Applicant.

4026. RICHARD IVERS WORTHINGTON.—Part of Allotments 71 and 74, Parish of Karaka, containing together 668 acres and 27 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

4053. SARAH JANE HUESTON.—Allotment 74, Parish of Waitakerei, containing 310 acres. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,

District Land Registrar.

1095

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

1219. THOMAS HALBERT.—Subdivision No. 1a of the Maraetaha Block, containing 250 acres. Unoccupied.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Gisborne.

R. N. JONES,

District Land Registrar.

1096

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

No. 626. RICHARD WILD.—9 perches, Section 3163, Town of Hokitika. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Hokitika.

VICTOR GRACE DAY,

District Land Registrar.

1097

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

1026. PUBLIC TRUSTEE OF NEW ZEALAND.—Section 1319, New Plymouth; 1 rood. Occupied by Julia Duffin.

Diagram may be inspected at this office (Plan 2071).

Dated this 11th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

R. L. STANFORD,

District Land Registrar.

1098

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," and its amendments, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 18th day of January, 1904.

3335. ALEXANDER HIGGIE.—212 acres 3 roods 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, Section 74 and parts Sections 73, 75, and 76, Left Bank Wanganui River. Occupied by Jacob Dudley and Alexander McIntosh as lessees of parts.

3448. WILLIAM JOHN JAMES.—4 acres 3 roods 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, parts Section 89, Left Bank Wanganui River. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,

District Land Registrar.

1099

APPPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of **GEORGE JAFFRAY**, of Wellington, Polisher, for Lots 301 and 303 on deposited plan No. 83, being part of Section 232, Township of Sandon, and the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 17, folio 92, 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 31st day of December, 1903.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

1100

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

APPPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional Crown lease in the name of **BERNARD DOUGHERTY**, of Hunterville, Labourer, for Section 8, Block II., Tiriraukawa Survey District, being the whole of the land comprised in Crown lease, Vol. 12, folio 25, and evidence having been lodged of the destruction of the said Crown lease, I hereby give notice that I will issue the provisional Crown lease as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 31st day of December, 1903.

Dated the 16th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

1101

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

APPPLICATION having been made to me to register a re-entry by **LOUIS EDWARD NATHAN** as lessor under memorandum of lease No. 3260 of part of Town Section 1139, City of Christchurch, being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 69, folio 205, of which **ROBERT GEORGE WARNES**, formerly of Christchurch, Fishmonger, and **EMILY WARNES**, his Wife, are the registered lessees, I hereby give notice that I will register such re-entry at the expiration of one month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

1103

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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

9693. **THOMAS O'GRADY**.—1 rood 39 $\frac{7}{8}$ perches, part of Rural Section 26, Linwood Ward, City of Christchurch. Occupied by a weekly tenant.

9699. **WILLIAM GEORGE VOGAN** and **SAMUEL JAMES VOGAN**.—68 acres 2 roods 5 perches, Rural Section 7655 and parts of Rural Sections 336, 1007, 1597, and 1653, Block XV., Pigeon Bay Survey District. Occupied by Applicants.

9702. **SAMUEL DAVY HARDEY** and **HENRY HART**.—2 roods, Lots 1 and 2, Plan 1549, part of Rural Section 468, Borough of Kaiapoi. Occupied by Applicants.

9704. **REBECCA HERMAN**.—2 roods 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, parts of Lots 92 and 101 of the Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Applicant.

9705. **GEORGE HENRY MOORE**.—1 acre 3 roods, part of Rural Section 7540, Block XI., Waipara Survey District. In use as part of a public road.

9708. **ALFRED CLIFFORD** and **HARRIETT ANN CLIFFORD**.—1 acre and 1 perch, Lot 8, Plan 1588, part of Rural Section 90, Block XII., Christchurch Survey District. Unoccupied.

9709. **ALFRED EDWARD PALMER**.—3 acres 3 roods 18 perches, part of Rural Section 64, Borough of Woolston. Occupied by Applicant.

9710. **HENRY WILLS**.—25 acres 2 roods, parts of Rural Sections 8001, 8002, and 14068, Block VI., Hinds Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

9712. **JAMES PEAGRAM**.—30 acres, Rural Section 2805, Block V., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 15th day of December, 1903, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

1104

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

PRIVATE ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership which has for some time past been carried on by **Roy McGregor** and **Herbert Bennett Nicholas**, under the style or firm of "McGregor and Nicholas," at Hawera, in the trade or business of Livery-stable Keepers, was this day dissolved by mutual consent.

Mr. Herbert Bennett Nicholas will carry on the business, and will receive all sums owing to the partnership and pay all debts and liabilities of the late firm.

As witness our hands, this 7th day of December, 1903.

ROY MCGREGOR.
Witness to signature of Roy McGregor—L. A. Elliott,
Law Clerk, Hawera.

H. B. NICHOLAS.
Witness to signature of Herbert Bennett Nicholas—
Bernard McCarthy, Solicitor, Hawera. 1088

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and the amendments thereof; and in the matter of the New Brighton Pier and Recreation Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the company held at the office of Hulme and Co., 122, Manchester Street, Christchurch, on the 25th November, 1903, the following extraordinary resolution was passed, and duly confirmed on Friday, the 11th day of December, 1903:—

"That the company be wound up voluntarily," and "that George William Hulme, of Christchurch, Accountant, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator."

1089 **W. A. TRIBE**, Chairman.

CHANGE OF NAME.

WE, the undersigned, **ROBERT GILMOUR**, of Ashton, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, in the Colony of New Zealand, Farmer, and **ELIZABETH GILMOUR**, wife of the said Robert Gilmour, the adopting parents of **Florence Annie Clement Hall Kelly Gilmour**, an infant of the age of four years, do hereby give you notice that we have assumed and taken as the name of the said child the name **DOREEN JEAN GILMOUR**, and that we shall henceforth use, and the name of the said child shall henceforth be, **Doreen Jean Gilmour** in lieu of the name of **Florence Annie Clement Hall Kelly Gilmour**; and that such change of name is formally declared and evidenced by deed-poll under our hands, dated the 8th day of December, 1903, and intended to be forthwith enrolled in the office of the Supreme Court of New Zealand situate at Christchurch.

Dated this eighth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and three.

ROBERT GILMOUR.
ELIZABETH GILMOUR.

Witness—

G. H. Buchanan, Solicitor, Ashburton. 1093

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE LAND FOR A PUBLIC ROAD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Waihemo County Council, in exercise of the powers vested in it by "The Public Works Act, 1894," proposes to take the piece of land mentioned in the Schedule hereto, under the provisions of the above-mentioned Act, for the purposes of a public road:

And also that a plan showing the land required to be taken, together with the names of the owners and occupiers of such land, is deposited at the office of the Waihemo County Council, at Palmerston, and is open for public inspection:

And also that all persons affected by the taking of such land shall, if they have any well-grounded objection to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days of the first publication of this notice, to the office of the said Waihemo County Council, in Palmerston, addressed to the undersigned.

THE SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Dunback Survey District containing 3 acres 3 roods 32 perches, more or less, being parts of Sections 13 and 14, Block II., Dunback Survey District. Bounded towards the west, north-west, and north by other parts of the said Sections 13 and 14, and towards the east, south-east, and south by a public road; as the same is shown on the said plan and therein coloured red.

Dated the 11th day of December, 1903.

1092

W. B. GALLOWAY,
Clerk to Waihemo County Council.

I, MAX HERZ, Doc. Med. Surg. and Midwifery Univ. Ludwig-Maximilian, 1899, now residing in Ashburton, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 7th of December, 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 of Births and Deaths at Christchurch.

MAX HERZ.

Dated at Ashburton, 5th November, 1903. 1094

THE WAIMATE INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Waimate Industrial Co-operative Association (Limited), (in liquidation), will be held at the office of the Canterbury Farmers' Co-operative Association (Limited), Waimate, on Friday, the 19th day of February, 1904, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving an account showing the manner in which the winding-up of the association has been conducted and the property of the association disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator.

Dated at Waimate, this 7th day of December, 1903.

GEORGE BOYD,

1091

Liquidator.

THE INDIAN GLENROCK (WYNAAD) COMPANY (LIMITED).

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the above-named company will be at No. 34, High Street, Dunedin, where legal proceedings may be served upon it, and where notice of any kind may be addressed or given, and where the Colonial Register of the company will be kept.

Dated this 29th day of October, 1903.

W. PATTON,

1073

Attorney for the said Company.

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the ARRINDELL SYNDICATE (LIMITED) is situated in Albert Street, Grahamstown, in the Borough of Thames.

Dated at Thames, this 1st day of December, 1903.

ERNEST N. MILLER,

1074

Attorney for the above Company.

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