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Land taken for a Portion of the Ngahere-Blackball Railway.

(L.S.)

RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a portion of the Ngahere-Blackball Railway :

And whereas all conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the taking of such land for the purpose hereinafter specified have been observed and performed :

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 section 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 a portion of the aforesaid line of railway.

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder :—

Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Coloured on Plan	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 0 1 21	Section 53	Green	VII.	Mawhera-nui.
2 2 5	Section 14 (Crown land)	Red	VII.	Mawhera-nui.
3 2 33	Section 9	Green	VII.	Mawhera-nui.
46 1 23	Crown land (Grey River bed)	Red	VII. and VI.	Mawhera-nui.
2 0 0·8	Section 56	Green	VI.	Mawhera-nui.

All in the Land District of Westland ; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plans marked P.W.D. 20648, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured as above.

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 February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING !

Constituting District Court, District of Waikato and Thames.

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

WHEREAS by "The District Courts Act, 1858," it is enacted that there shall be within the Colony of New Zealand Courts of Record, possessing civil and criminal jurisdiction, to be called "District Courts," and the Governor is empowered from time to time, as he shall think fit, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to constitute throughout the colony, or in any part thereof, districts within which such Courts shall be respectively held, and such districts to abolish, and the boundaries thereof to define or alter, and also to declare by what local name such Courts shall be designated:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the said colony, in pursuance and exercise of the aforesaid power and authority, do hereby constitute and proclaim the district of the said colony hereinafter described or referred to to be a district within which a District Court shall be held under the said Act and "The District Courts Act Amendment Act, 1865."

And in further pursuance and exercise of the authority aforesaid I do hereby declare that the said Court shall be designated by the name which is hereunder specified and set above the description of such district, that is to say:—

Designation of Court.

"The District Court of Waikato and Thames."

Description of District.

All that part of the Auckland Land District bounded towards the north by the County of Manukau and the Firth of Thames; towards the west by the Firth of Thames and the Hauraki Gulf; towards the north-east by the ocean to the Waihi River; thence towards the south-east generally by the Counties of Tauranga and Rotorua to Urara Trig. Station; thence towards the south generally by a right line to Rangitoto Mountain, and by the County of Clifton to the ocean; thence again towards the west by the ocean to the place of commencement.

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 third day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

JAS. MCGOWAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land in Block I., Hawera Survey District, taken for the Purposes of a Dam and the Establishment of a Hydraulic Power-house.

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

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are vested in the Hawera County Electric Company (Limited) for an estate of leasehold in possession unencumbered:

And whereas the said company, acting under the powers vested in them by the provisions of "The Hawera County Electric Lighting Act, 1902," has entered upon part of the said lands, and has thereon constructed a tunnel for the purpose of generating electrical energy by the use of turbines or other hydraulic machinery:

And whereas the said lands are required to be taken under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for the purpose of the establishment of the said company's works on the Waingongoro Stream:

And whereas an agreement for the taking of the estate in fee-simple in the said lands has been entered into with the owner thereof, and it has been made to appear that such agreement is sufficient for the purposes intended to be effected thereby:

And whereas a plan has been prepared in duplicate showing accurately the position and extent of the said lands, and such map has been signed by authorised surveyors appointed by the Surveyor-General to certify plans for the purpose of any act relating to the conveyance or transfer of land as evidence of the accuracy thereof:

And whereas the Hawera County Electric Company (Limited) (the local authority by virtue of "The Hawera County Electric Lighting Act, 1902") have laid before me a memorial under the seal of the said company containing

a list of the said lands proposed to be taken, together with the aforesaid map, in duplicate:

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 Hawera County Electric Lighting Act, 1902," and "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power in anywise enabling me in this behalf, and with the consent of the said company as lessees, and at their request as a local authority as aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and declare that the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are taken for the purpose of establishing the said company's works on the said Waingongoro Stream by constructing a dam to dam back, impound, and divert the waters of the said stream by means of a tunnel, and erecting a hydraulic power-house and plant worked by means of the waters of the said stream to generate electrical energy for use and transmission by the said company for any or all of the purposes authorised by the said first-mentioned Act.

And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect from the twentieth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being	Situated in Block No.	Coloured on Plan	Situated in
A. R. P. 0 3 34	Sub. 2, Sec. 63	I.	Red..	Hawera Survey District.
0 1 29	Pt. Sub. 1, Sec. 63	I.	Yellow	Hawera Survey District.
0 2 16	Sub. 1, Sec. 20	I.	Red..	Hawera Survey District.
1 2 29	Sub. 2, Sec. 20	I.	Red..	Hawera Survey District.

All in the Land District of Taranaki; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20742, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

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 thirteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Road, Block II., Hukerenui Survey District, Bay of Islands County.

(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 lessee and of the mortgagee of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Bay of Islands 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 Hukerenui Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 30	12	II.	Hukerenui	R. 2790B	Red.

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

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

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming Road as closed through Lands in Hunua 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 Hunua Road District hereinafter described.

Approximate Area of the Portion of Road closed.	Being through or adjoining	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 18	Sec. 10, Otatau Parish	VII.	Opapeke	R. 5337	Green.
0 1 15	Sec. 10, Otatau Parish	VII.	"	"	"

All in the Auckland 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.

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 February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land in the City of Christchurch taken for an Extension to the Chief Post-office.

(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 public work, to wit, the construction of an extension to the Chief Post-office in the City of Christchurch:

And whereas all conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the taking of such land for the purposes hereinbefore specified have been observed and performed:

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 "The Public Works Act, 1903," and of every other power and authority in any-wise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the public work hereinbefore mentioned. And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the thirteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of Town Sections Nos.	Situated in the
A. R. P. 0 1 19	726, 728, and 730	City of Christchurch.

In the Canterbury Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20656, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured yellow.

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 February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for Road Purposes in Hunua 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 of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Hunua 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 Hunua Road District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Part of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 0 20.8	10	VII.	Opapeke ..	R. 5337	Pink.
0 0 4.4	10	"	" ..	"	"
0 1 15	10	"	" ..	"	"
0 1 28	10	"	" ..	"	Purple.
0 0 37	10	"	" ..	"	"

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

Lands set apart for Settlement.

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

WHEREAS by the seventy-third section of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901" (herein termed "the said Act"), it is, amongst other things, enacted that before certain moneys therein mentioned shall be expended upon any block of land it shall be necessary that the same be proclaimed as set apart for settlement:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby pro-

claim the lands described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Tokatoka No. 3 Block, 447 Acres 3 Roods 27 Perches.

Area.	Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.					
114 2 0	59	XVI.	Tokatoka	S.G. 51694	Red.
114 1 3	60	"	"		
120 3 0	61	"	"		
98 1 24	62	"	"		

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight 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 sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands set apart for Settlement.

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

WHEREAS by the seventy-third section of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901" (herein termed "the said Act"), it is, amongst other things, enacted that before certain moneys therein mentioned shall be expended upon any block of land it shall be necessary that the same be proclaimed as set apart for settlement:

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Te Kauri Block, 3,664 Acres.

Area.	Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan	Edged on Plan
A. R. P.					
186 0 0	6	XI.	Kawhia North	S.G. 51695	Red.
137 0 0	8	"	"		
512 0 0	3	XII.	"		
635 0 0	4	"	"		
410 0 0	5	"	"		
542 0 0	6	"	"		
288 0 0	3	XVI.	"		
574 0 0	4	"	"		
380 0 0	5	"	"		

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight 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 sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land set apart for Totoro Improved-farm Special Settlement, Taranaki Land District.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Totoro Improved-farm Special Settlement.—6,508 Acres.

Area.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P.					
196 0 0	2	IX.	Totoro	S.G. 51432	Red.
103 0 0	3	"	"		
190 0 0	5	"	"		
186 0 0	7	"	"		
170 0 0	8	"	"		
186 0 0	9	"	"		
184 0 0	10	"	"		
147 0 0	11	"	"		
200 0 0	12	"	"		
134 0 0	14	"	"		
171 0 0	15	"	"		
200 0 0	16	"	"		
185 0 0	18	"	"		
200 0 0	21	"	"		
140 0 0	1	X.	"		
196 0 0	3	"	"		
170 0 0	4	"	"		
178 0 0	5	"	"		
200 0 0	2	I.	Aria ..		
198 0 0	4	"	"		
186 0 0	5	"	"		
171 0 0	8	"	"		
178 0 0	9	"	"		
180 0 0	11	"	"		
188 0 0	12	"	"		
172 0 0	15	"	"		
160 0 0	16	"	"		
196 0 0	17	"	"		
196 0 0	18	"	"		
200 0 0	19	"	"		
200 0 0	20	"	"		
198 0 0	21	"	"		
178 0 0	7	II.	"		
198 0 0	9	"	"		
177 0 0	11	"	"		
196 0 0	12	"	"		

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

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 sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands taken for a Road in Block X., Rotorua Survey District, 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," and its amendments, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the lessees of the lands hereinafter mentioned, do by

this notice hereby proclaim as taken for a road the lands in the Rotorua Survey District hereinafter described, that is to say,—

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 0 29	5	X.	Rotorua ..	12567	Pink.
8 1 24	9	X.	" ..	12567	"

In the Auckland Land District; as the same are 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 sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land set apart for Mangapapa Improved-farm Special Settlement, Taranaki Land District.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Mangapapa Improved-farm Special Settlement.—5,322 Acres.

Area.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 192 0 0	5	XI.	Aria ..	S.G. 51434	Red.
200 0 0	1	XII.	" ..	"	"
198 0 0	2'	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	3	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	4	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	5	"	" ..	"	"
190 0 0	6	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	7	"	" ..	"	"
120 0 0	8	"	" ..	"	"
188 0 0	9	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	10	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	11	"	" ..	"	"
182 0 0	12	"	" ..	"	"
176 0 0	13	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	14	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	15	"	" ..	"	"
112 0 0	10	XV.	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	11	"	" ..	"	"
188 0 0	15	"	" ..	"	"
199 0 0	16	"	" ..	"	"
124 0 0	17	"	" ..	"	"
169 0 0	18	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	23	"	" ..	"	"
188 0 0	25	"	" ..	"	"
150 0 0	4	XVI.	" ..	"	"
192 0 0	5	"	" ..	"	"
154 0 0	6	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	8	"	" ..	"	"
200 0 0	9	"	" ..	"	"

As the same are delineated on the plan marked as noted above, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands

and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above noted.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly; Knight 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 sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land set apart for State Forest Purposes in the Land District of Taranaki.

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

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," 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, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby set apart the forest land described in the Schedule hereto, forming part of the Crown lands in New Zealand, as and for a State forest within the provisions of the said Act.

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 Wellington, this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Commissioner of State Forests.

Approved in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Resuming Land held under Lease for the Purpose of a Site for a Public School.

(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 eighth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and one:

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 site for a public school:

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.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Section No. 37A, Block XVI., Ohinewairua Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 37, towards the east by Rangitikei Road, towards the south by Section No. 39, and towards the west by said Section No. 37; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51625, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Approved in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Validating Irregularities in the Public Notifications for a Loan of £1,000 applied for by the Wanganui County Council.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Wanganui County Council lately proposed to raise a loan of one thousand pounds for the purpose of acquiring land for a road to connect Okoia with Mataraua, and forming, metalling, and providing necessary culverts for the said road: And whereas a special order making a special rate has been made as a security for the said loan: And whereas the provisions of section one hundred and twenty-four of "The Counties Act, 1886," relating to special orders were not complied with by the said Wanganui County Council, inasmuch as public notice of the meeting for the purpose of confirming the resolution adopting such special order, although published for four successive weeks, was not given once in each of the four weeks immediately after the date at which such resolution was passed: And whereas the public notification of the intention of the said Wanganui County Council to raise such loan and to make such special rate is defective, inasmuch as in the description of the boundaries of the Mataraua Special-rating District, Section Number 207, Block VII., Ikitara Survey District, is mentioned therein in lieu of Section Number 270 of the same block: And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled, and it is expedient to validate such irregularities:

Now, therefore, 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, and in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by section ten of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," doth hereby declare that the said public notifications shall be deemed and taken to be valid to all intents and purposes as though the same were regular in form and the provisions of section one hundred and twenty-four of "The Counties Act, 1886," had been duly complied with, and as though the lands to be subject to such special rate had been correctly described in such public notification.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Roads in Waipawa County to be County Roads.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

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 shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, be county roads.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that road in the Hawke's Bay Land District, situated in Waipawa County, and known as Waikopiro Road, commencing at its junction with Maunga Road at the northern corner of Section 26, Block XIV., Takapau Survey District, and running in a southerly direction along the western frontage of Sections Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Block XV., Takapau Survey District, and ending at the point where it crosses the southern boundary of Section 1, Block III., Mangatoro Survey District, near the Mangapuaka Stream, a length of three miles and a half, or thereabouts; as the said road is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161AA, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured red thereon and marked A.B.

RUAHINE ROAD.

Also all that road in the Hawke's Bay Land District, situated in Waipawa County, commencing at its junction with Blackburn Road, at the eastern corner of Section 37, Block V., Makaretu Survey District, and ending at the north-west corner of Section 42 of the same block, a length of two miles and a quarter, or thereabouts; as the same is delineated on the plan marked R. 5161cc, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, coloured red thereon.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Excepting Land from the Operation of Section 117 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), for a limited period or otherwise, and either generally or for such purposes and subject to such restrictions as shall be in such Order specified, any land, wheresoever situate, which is for the time being subject to the operation of the said section, or any interest therein or right over the same, or may in like manner make such exception in favour exclusively of any lessee or other person who has been *bona fide* in occupation of and has made improvements on such land, or has paid money to Native owners for lease or purchase thereof, prior to the passing of the said Act: Provided that no Order in Council under the provisions of this section shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided also that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act:

And whereas the Aotea District Maori Land Council has recommended that the block or parcel of land known as Maungakaretu No. 5B No. 2B No. 2 be excepted from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of lease:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court

Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of lease, all that block or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing eight hundred and sixteen acres three roods twenty-five perches, more or less, known as Maungakaretu No. 5B No. 2B No. 2, and being the land comprised in partition order of the Native Land Court dated twenty-eighth July, one thousand nine hundred, in favour of Apera te Keunga and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Time for Preparation of Roll under Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act extended, Westland County.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, the County Council of the Westland County having failed, through misadventure, to prepare the valuation roll of mining property in the Westland County in the month of January, one thousand nine hundred and four, as required by section seven of "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," it is expedient to extend the time for preparing the said roll, as hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in order that the purpose and intent of "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," may have effect, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Rating Act, 1882," which said Act is incorporated with the first above-mentioned Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the time for the preparation of the valuation roll for the Westland County, under "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," until the twenty-ninth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations for Deer-shooting, Nelson.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same (hereinafter called "the said Acts"), 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 make the following regulations respecting the deer-shooting season within the Nelson District, comprising the Counties of Waimea, Buller, and Collingwood, and hereinafter called "the said district."

REGULATIONS.

1. Red deer stags and fallow deer bucks may be taken or killed within the said district from the 20th day of February, 1904, to the 18th day of April, 1904, both days inclusive.
2. Licenses to kill such deer may be issued by the Chief Postmasters at Nelson and Westport, on payment of a license fee of twenty shillings, in the form prescribed in the Schedule hereto, and subject to the said Acts and these regulations.
3. No licensee shall be allowed to take or kill more than six red deer stags or fallow deer bucks, and the said Chief Postmasters shall not issue more than one license to take or kill deer to the same person.
4. No doe, hind, or fawn will be allowed to be killed on any pretext whatever, and no dogs will be allowed to accompany either the licensee or any attendant he may have with him.
5. The licensee must give notice to one of the said Chief Postmasters of the date on which it is his intention to stalk deer: such notice to be posted, or delivered, or telegraphed three clear days before such date.

6. Nothing herein contained shall extend to authorising any person to sell any deer or portion thereof.

SCHEDULE.

No.
License to take or kill Game (Deer).

, of , having this day paid the sum of £ , is hereby authorised to take or kill deer (bucks or stags) within the District of , from the day of , 1904, to the day of , 1904, both days inclusive, subject to the provisions of "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the amendments thereof.

Dated at , this day of , 190 .

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations for Deer-shooting, Wanganui.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same (hereinafter called "the said Acts"), 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 make the following regulations respecting the deer-shooting season within the Wanganui District, comprising the Counties of Wanganui and Waiotara, and hereinafter called "the said district."

REGULATIONS.

1. Fallow deer (bucks only) may be taken or killed within the said district from the 1st day of March, 1904, to the 15th day of April, 1904, both days inclusive.
2. Licenses to kill such deer may be issued by the Chief Postmaster at Wanganui on payment of a license fee of twenty shillings, in the form prescribed in the Schedule hereto, and subject to the said Acts and these regulations. The number of such licenses shall not exceed twenty.
3. No licensee shall be allowed to take or kill more than two bucks, and no buck shall be killed carrying antlers with less than four points; and, further, the said Chief Postmaster shall not issue more than one license to take or kill deer to the same person.
4. No doe or fawn will be allowed to be killed on any pretext whatever, and no dogs will be allowed to accompany either the licensee or any attendant he may have with him.
5. The licensee must give notice to the said Chief Postmaster of the date on which it is his intention to stalk deer; such notice to be posted, or delivered, or telegraphed three clear days before such date.
6. Nothing herein contained shall extend to authorising any person to sell any deer or portion thereof.

SCHEDULE.

No.
License to take or kill Game (Deer).

£ , of , having this day paid the sum of £ , is hereby authorised to take or kill deer (bucks only) of not less than points within the District of , from the day of , 1904, to the day of , 1904, both days inclusive, subject to the provisions of "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the amendments thereof.

Dated at , this day of , 190 .

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations for Deer-shooting, Marlborough.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same (hereinafter called "the said Acts"), 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 make the following regulations respecting the deer-shooting season within the Marlborough District, comprising the Counties of Marlborough and Sounds, and hereinafter called "the said district."

REGULATIONS.

1. Red deer stags and fallow deer bucks may be taken or killed within the said district from the 20th day of February, 1904, to the 18th day of April, 1904, both days inclusive.

2. Licenses to kill such deer may be issued by the Chief Postmaster at Blenheim on payment of a license fee of twenty shillings, in the form prescribed in the Schedule hereto, and subject to the said Acts and these regulations.

3. No licensee shall be allowed to take or kill more than six red deer stags or fallow deer bucks, and the said Chief Postmaster shall not issue more than one license to take or kill deer to the same person.

4. No doe, hind, or fawn will be allowed to be killed on any pretext whatever, and no dogs will be allowed to accompany either the licensee or any attendant he may have with him.

5. The licensee must give notice to the said Chief Postmaster of the date on which it is his intention to stalk deer, such notice to be posted, or delivered, or telegraphed three clear days before such date.

6. Nothing herein contained shall extend to authorising any person to sell any deer or portion thereof.

SCHEDULE.

License to take or kill Game (Deer).

No., of, having this day paid the sum of £, is hereby authorised to take or kill deer (bucks or stags) within the District of, from the day of, 1904, to the day of, 1904, both days inclusive, subject to the provisions of "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the amendments thereof.

Dated at, this day of, 190

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations for Deer-shooting, Counties of Wairarapa South and Featherston.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same (hereinafter called "the said Acts"), 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 make the following regulations respecting the deer-shooting season within the Counties of Wairarapa South and Featherston (excepting therefrom the areas described in the First Schedule hereto), hereinafter called "the said district."

REGULATIONS.

1. Red deer (stags only) may be taken or killed within the said district from the 1st day of March, 1904, to the 30th day of April, 1904, both days inclusive.

2. Licenses to kill such deer may be issued by the Chief Postmaster at Wellington, and the Postmasters at Masterton, Carterton, Greytown North, Featherston, and Martinborough, on payment of a license fee of twenty shillings, in the form prescribed in the Second Schedule hereto, and subject to the said Acts and these regulations.

3. No licensee shall be allowed to take or kill more than five stags, and no stag shall be killed carrying antlers with less than ten points; and, further, the said Chief Postmaster and Postmasters shall not issue more than one license to take or kill deer to the same person.

4. No hind or fawn will be allowed to be killed on any pretext whatever, and no dogs will be allowed to accompany either the licensee or any attendant he may have with him.

5. The licensee must give notice to the said Chief Postmaster or to one of the said Postmasters of the date on which it is his intention to stalk deer, such notice to be posted or delivered or telegraphed three clear days before such date.

6. Nothing herein contained shall extend to authorising any person to sell any deer or portion thereof.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that area of land in the Huangarua Survey District, in the County of Wairarapa South, being Sections 29 to 41 (inclusive), 59, 71, 72, 75, 79, 83, 90, 93, 97, 98, and part of Sections 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 89, 92, 91, 94, 95, 96, 87, and 84, now in the occupation of Mr. John Martin and Mr. Featherston Johnston, and known as the Puruatanga Estate or Station. All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement about 32,000 acres, more or less, situated in Haurangi, Waipawa, and Kaiwaka Survey Districts, County of Featherston, commencing at the most southern angle of Section 92, Block III., Haurangi Survey District, and bounded generally towards the north and north-east by part of the said Section No. 92, by Sections Nos. 93, 91, 46, 45, 44, 93, and 1, Block III., by Section No. 3, Block IV., by Sections Nos. 1 and 6, Block VIII., by Sections Nos. 1, 2, and 4, Block XII., Haurangi Survey District; by Section No. 5, Block IX., and by Section No. 1, Block XIII., Waipawa Survey District, to Trig. Rough Hill East: generally towards the east and south-east by part of Section No. 188, by Section No. 189, Block XIII., Waipawa Survey District; by Sections Nos. 200, 201, 25, and 26, Block IV., Kaiwaka Survey District; by Sections Nos. 26, 12, 13, 14, and 15, Block VIII., by Section No. 28, Block XI., and by a road-line along the sea-coast to the south-eastern corner of Waitatuma Block: and generally towards the west by the Waitatuma Block, by the Turanganui River, by Crown lands, by Sections Nos. 79 and 78, Block X., Haurangi Survey District; by part of Section No. 42, by Sections Nos. 41, 39, and part of Section No. 38, Block VI., to the point of commencement.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

No. License to take or kill Game (Deer).

., of, having this day paid the sum of £, is hereby authorised to take or kill deer (stags only), of not less than points, within the District of, from the day of, 1904, to the day of, 1904 (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the amendments thereof, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at, this day of, 190

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

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 twenty-ninth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, 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 WEBER COUNTY COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Weber 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 first Saturday in each month, at two o'clock p.m., at the office of the Weber County Council, Titirewa Point, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Saturday, the fifth day of March, 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 Saturday 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 Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 10 acres and 32 perches, more or less, being Section No. 51, Block V., Weber Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by a public road, 976 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 52, 1252, 1252 links; towards the south-west by Section No. 50, 910 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 49, 960 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Powers delegated to the Tauranga (Racecourse) Domain Board under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

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 June, one thousand nine hundred and three, 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 Tauranga (Racecourse) Domain Board, namely,—

WILLIAM MCKENZIE COMMONS,
DAVID LUNDON,
THOMAS TANNER,
DAVID ASHER, and
DOCTOR WILLIAM BROWN

(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 third Monday in each month, at three o'clock p.m., at Tauranga, 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 Monday, the twenty-first day of March, 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 200 acres, more or less, known as the Racecourse Reserve, and being Sections Nos. 22, 23, 24, and 25 of the Parish of Te Papa, Tauranga Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 22A, 4262 links; towards the east by a road 100 links wide, 5067 links; towards the south by Section No. 38, 3680 links; and towards the west by a line forming the margin of the Kopurerua Swamp: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Amending Regulations under "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of February, 1904.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the fiftieth section of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council published in the *Gazette* and *Kahiti*, make regulations for any of the purposes in the said section specified:

And whereas regulations under the above-in-part-recited Act have, by Orders in Council of the twenty-sixth day of December, one thousand nine hundred, the twentieth day of April and the twenty-fourth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and three, been made and published as aforesaid:

And whereas it is deemed advisable to supplement, amend, and alter the aforesaid regulations as hereinafter appears:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby supplement, amend, and alter the aforesaid regulations in the following manner, that is to say,—

Sections 62, 63, 64, 66, 67, 73, 74, and 75, and Forms K and M, of the aforesaid regulations are hereby repealed, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

62. The lease to be granted in pursuance of any tender may be in the Form M in the Schedule hereto, or in such other form as the circumstances may require.

63. No tender shall be accepted or lease granted except the same be in accordance with the provisions of the said Act and its amendments and the regulations made thereunder.

64. No lease shall comprise more than 2,000 acres, in-

clusive of not more than 640 acres of first-class land, except in the case of small grazing-runs and pastoral leases, nor shall any lessee have any right to acquire the freehold of the demised land.

No lessee or person, by himself or by or jointly with any other person on his behalf, shall hold at one time, whether as occupier, lessee, assignee, sub-lessee, or otherwise, more than 2,000 acres, inclusive of not more than 640 acres of first-class land, except in the case of small grazing-runs and pastoral leases. Any occupation license, lease, assignment, sub-lease, or other instrument in contravention of this section shall be illegal and void from the commencement:

Provided always that this section shall not apply to any person who acquires an interest in any lease by bankruptcy, or under an intestacy, or by virtue of a will.

66. The term fixed by the lease shall be not more than thirty years nor less than seven years, unless with the consent of the Minister, to take effect in possession and not in reversion; but such lease may be renewable as provided hereafter.

67. Every lease shall be prepared by the Council, and shall be in such form, and shall contain such covenants, conditions, and agreements, not being inconsistent with the provisions of the said Act or these regulations, as the Council may prescribe by regulations which it is hereby authorised and empowered from time to time to make, and from time to time to alter, amend, or revoke, and which may either be general, or applicable to any particular case or class of cases, and, when not otherwise provided, shall be subject to the stipulations following:—

- (1.) The demise shall reserve unto the lessor all mines, metals, minerals, coal, lignite, slate, or freestone in or upon or under the land, with power to work, win, use, possess, sell, and dispose of the same, or any part thereof respectively, except such as may be required by the lessee for the lessee's own use but not for sale or disposal; with power also to the lessor to make roads through the demised lands, and for such purposes or any of them to erect or build houses and other convenient buildings thereon, on paying compensation for damage done to the surface only, the amount of such compensation in case of disagreement to be ascertained and determined by arbitration.
- (2.) The lessee shall and will during the term of the lease pay the rent reserved thereby free and clear from all deductions or abatements whatsoever, and shall and will pay all rates, taxes, charges, or assessments now made or hereafter during the said term assessed, charged, or imposed upon the demised premises, or tenant in respect thereof, or upon any buildings or improvements thereon; and in case any of the said rents shall at any time be and continue in arrear and unpaid for fourteen days next after any of the days appointed for payment thereof, the lessee will (if demanded) pay to the lessor interest upon such arrears at the rate of £8 per centum per annum, calculated from the time appointed for the actual payment of such rent to the time of actual payment thereof; and such interest shall for all purposes, whether of distress or otherwise, be deemed to be rent payable under the demise, and be payable and recoverable by distress or otherwise in the same manner as the rent reserved under the demise may or can be.
- (3.) The lessee "will insure in the name of the lessor."
- (4.) The lessee "will fence."
- (5.) The lessee "will paint outside every fourth year."
- (6.) The lessee "will cultivate," and will preserve and keep the demised premises in a clean and husbandlike manner, free from all noxious weeds growing or to grow on the said demised premises, and will not plant on the demised premises, or permit to spread thereon, gorse or furze, and will keep properly cut and trimmed all live hedges and fences on the demised premises.
- (7.) No lessee shall transfer the possession or occupation of the land leased to or occupied by him, or any part thereof, by sale, under lease, or other disposition, except the Council shall sanction the proposed transfer, and until such lessee has been twelve months in possession or occupation of the demised land.
- (8.) When a statutory declaration is required from any lessee, no transferee, and no purchaser of any lease under any power of sale vested in any mortgagee, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy, shall be admitted into possession or occupation of the land comprised in such lease until he has deposited with the Council a statutory declaration in the same form or to the same effect.

(9.) Every lawful transferee of any lease, or purchaser as aforesaid of any lease, shall have all the rights and privileges, and be subject to the same obligations, as the original lessee: Provided that the transferor shall be liable for the instalment of rent which shall become due next after such transfer.

(10.) No transfer of any lease shall be valid unless all the conditions upon which the lease was granted have been complied with as to payment of rent or otherwise up to the date of such transfer.

(11.) If any lessee or licensee shall fail to fulfil any of the conditions of his lease within sixty days after the day on which the same ought to be fulfilled, his lease shall be liable to be forfeited, and he shall be deemed, upon such forfeiture, to be in illegal occupation of the land comprised in the lease, and the Council may proceed for recovery of possession thereof without prejudice to the right of the lessor to recover any rent then due or payable, or any right of distress, action, or suit that may have arisen prior to such re-entry.

The foregoing conditions as regards leases shall operate and shall be deemed to bind the Council and the lessee as fully and effectually as if they were set forth in every lease.

73. Every lessee shall, within twelve months of the commencement of his term, and thereafter for a period of six consecutive years, reside on some portion of the lands leased by him.

This condition shall not apply to any person who has acquired an interest in any lease under an intestacy or by virtue of a will.

The Council may dispense with the necessity of such residence, in the case of bush or swamp lands, during the first four years of the term, and altogether as to all lands if the lessee resides on lands contiguous to the lands leased, or with the concurrence of the Minister for any other sufficient reason. Lands shall be deemed to be contiguous to each other if only separated by a road or stream, or by such interval of space as the Council may in each case determine.

In cases of youths who may become lessees, and who are living within the Maori land district and are residing with their parents or near relatives, the Council may dispense with residence until four years after the commencement of the term.

When any two lessees shall lawfully intermarry, the Council may dispense with residence by either of such lessees on the lands comprised in one of the leases.

74. Every lessee shall bring into cultivation—

- (a.) Within one year from the date of his lease, not less than one-twentieth of the land leased by him;
- (b.) Within two years from the date of his lease, not less than one-tenth of the land leased by him;
- (c.) Within four years from the date of his lease, not less than one-fifth of the land leased by him;

and shall, within six years from the date of his lease, in addition to the cultivation of one-fifth of the land, have put substantial improvements of a permanent character on first-class land to the value of £1 for every acre of such land, and on second-class land to an amount equal to the net price of every acre of such land: Provided that in no case shall the additional improvements required on second-class land be more than 10s. per acre.

The terms "improvements," "substantial improvements," and "substantial improvements of a permanent character," mean and include reclamation from swamps, clearing of bush, gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or scrub, cultivation, planting with trees or live hedges, the laying-out and cultivating of gardens, fencing, draining, making roads, sinking wells or water-tanks, constructing water-races, sheep-dips, making embankments or protective works of any kind, in any way improving the character and fertility of the soil, or the erection of any building.

75. Whenever a lease is to be sold or otherwise disposed of, the valuation of the improvements shall, in all cases where it is not otherwise provided by the said Act, be made as by section eighty-three hereinafter provided; and payment of such valuation shall be made to the Council on or before the day of the commencement of the term of the new lease by the purchaser of such lease.

Whenever a lease is forfeited for breach of conditions, the Council shall cause such valuation to be made on recovering possession of the land.

87A. Notwithstanding any other regulation now or heretofore made under the provisions of the said Act and its amendments, the Council may, with the concurrence of the Minister, lease any lands situated within the boundaries of any district proclaimed under the provisions of "The Thermal-Springs District Act, 1881," on any terms or conditions not repugnant to those on which the lands were transferred by the Maori owners to the Council for administration.

FORM K.—STATUTORY DECLARATION TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION FROM PERSON DESIROUS TO BECOME PURCHASER, TRANSFEREE, OR SUB-LESSEE OF A LEASE.

In the matter of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," and its amendments; and in the matter of a proposed *sale or lease to* , of , of †

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

1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.
 2. That I am *the person or one of the persons jointly applying for the purchase or lease of the above-mentioned land solely for my own use and benefit, or for the exclusive use and benefit of myself and co-purchaser or co-lessee—namely,* , and for the purposes of cultivation, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

3. That, including the land now applied for, *but exclusive of leases of Maori land held by me at the date of the passing of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900" (20th October, 1900),* I am not the holder or owner, directly or indirectly, either by myself or jointly with any other person, of any land anywhere in the colony exceeding in the whole 2,000 acres of freehold land, inclusive of not more than 640 acres of first-class land.

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

(Signature.)

Declared at , this day of , 190 , before me, , a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Erase any words in italics which are inapplicable.
 † Specify name and area of the land, and the conditions of the proposed alienation.
 ‡ Each proposed purchaser or lessee must make this declaration.

FORM M.

THIS deed, made the day of , 190 , between the District Maori Land Council, in the Colony of New Zealand (which said Council, with its successors and assigns, is hereinafter termed "the lessor") of the one part, and of , in the Land District of , in the said colony, (hereinafter, with executors, administrators, and permitted assigns, referred to as and included in the term "the lessee"), of the other part, witnesseth that, in consideration of the rent hereinafter reserved, and of the covenants, conditions, and agreements herein contained and implied, and on the part of the lessee to be paid, observed, and performed, the lessor doth hereby demise and lease unto the lessee all that piece or parcel of land, containing by admeasurement acres roads perches, a little more or less, situate in the District of aforesaid, and being Section numbered , Block , Survey District of , as the same is more particularly delineated and described in the plan drawn hereon, and therein coloured red in outline, together with the rights, easements, and appurtenances to the same belonging, to hold the said several premises intended to be hereby demised unto the lessee for a term commencing from the date hereof and expiring on the thirtieth day of June which shall first ensue after the expiration of () years from such date, and renewable for* *further terms of twenty-one (21) years* on the conditions prescribed by the regulations under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," and its amendments in force at the date of the execution hereof, yielding and paying therefor unto the said Council the annual rent of (£ : :), payable half-yearly in advance on the first day of January and the first day of July in each and every year during the said term, free from all deductions whatsoever. The first payment of such rent having been made, the next payment to become due to be made on the first day of next.

And it is hereby declared and agreed that these presents are intended to take effect as a lease under the provisions of the said Act and regulations, and that the said provisions shall, *except as to the provisions of section number*

* *of the said regulations, which are hereby expressly negatived,* be binding in all respects upon the parties hereto in the same manner as if such provisions had been fully set out herein; and that if any dispute or disagreement shall arise between the parties hereto touching the construction of these presents, or in any wise relating hereto, such dispute or disagreement shall be referred to arbitration in the manner set forth in the regulations aforesaid; and neither of the said parties shall take or cause to be taken any steps or proceedings to set aside or call in question any award or decision which may have been given upon any such reference as final.

* Fill in this space with a line if number of terms is unlimited, or omit words in italics preceding and following if lease is not subject to any renewal.

In witness whereof the seal of the District Maori Land Council was affixed hereto, and the President and members of the said Council have, as lessor, hereunto set their hands, and these presents have been also executed by the said lessee, the day and year first above written.

(Signatures.)

Signed by the said President and members of the said Council, as lessor, in the presence of

Signed by the above-named , as lessee, in the presence of

(Seal of the Council.)

ALEX. WILLIS,
 Clerk of the Executive Council.

Licensing Joseph Edwin Shaver to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Doubtless Bay as a Site for a Shed.

RANFURLY, Governor.
 ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this seventeenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), Joseph Edwin Shaver, of Taipa, Mangonui (hereinafter called "the licensee"), has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under the said Act to occupy a part of the foreshore at Doubtless Bay, in the Provincial District of Auckland, in order to construct a shed thereon; and, in accordance with the one-hundred-and-fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited a plan in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington, marked M.D. 2702, showing the area of foreshore intended to be occupied, and the manner in which it is proposed to construct the shed: And whereas the Governor in Council has approved of the purpose for which the said foreshore is to be occupied: And whereas it is expedient that a license should be granted and issued to the licensee under the said Act for the purpose aforesaid, on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby approve of the object for which the said license is required by the licensee as aforesaid; and, in further pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby license and permit the licensee to use and occupy that part of the foreshore on which the shed is to be constructed, as shown on the plan so deposited as aforesaid, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining the said shed thereon; such license to be held and enjoyed by the licensee upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

1. In these conditions the term "Minister" means the Minister having charge of the Marine Department, as defined by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and includes any officer, person, or authority acting by or under the direction of such Minister.
2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore necessary for the construction of the shed at Doubtless Bay, as shown on plan marked M.D. 2702.
3. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the licensee shall, on being supplied with a copy thereof, pay to the Minister the sum of one pound, and thereafter an annual sum of ten shillings, payable on the first day of March, dating from the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and four, the first of such annual payments to be made on the licensee being supplied with a copy of this Order in Council.
4. All persons shall, at all reasonable times, upon payment of the proper dues, have free and full liberty to use the said shed, and all rights of ingress and egress thereon and therefrom.
5. His Majesty, or the Governor, and all officers in the Government service acting in the execution of their duty, shall at all times have free ingress, passage, and egress into, through, and out of the said shed without payment.
6. The licensee shall maintain the above-mentioned shed in good order and repair, and shall at all times exhibit therefrom and maintain at his own cost suitable and neces-

sary lights for the guidance of vessels: Provided that no light shall be exhibited until after it has been approved of by the Minister.

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

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

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

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

11. The licensee shall be liable for any injury which the said shed may cause any vessel or boat to sustain through any default or neglect on his part.

12. In case the licensee shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them; or
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said shed for a period of thirty days; or
- (3.) Become bankrupt, or be in any manner brought under the operation of any Act for the time being in force relating to bankruptcy; or
- (4.) Fail to pay the sums specified in clause three of these conditions—

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

13. The construction of the shed shall be sufficient evidence of the acceptance by the licensee of the terms and conditions of this Order in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Prescribing Size of Mesh of Fishing-nets.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this seventeenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by the fifth section of "The Sea-fisheries Act, 1894," that the Governor in Council may from time to time make regulations, which shall have general force and effect throughout the colony, or particular force and effect only in any waters or places specified therein, for, amongst other things, limiting the size when wet of the mesh in the square, or in extension from knot to knot, of nets and seines to be used in fishing, and may impose a penalty for breach of any regulation:

And whereas it is desirable to make regulations for the purposes above referred to:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following regulations, and with the like advice and consent doth order that they shall have force and effect throughout the colony on and after the first day of September, one thousand nine hundred and four; and doth further order that regulation number one shall supersede

clause eleven of the regulations which were made under the said Act on the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

REGULATIONS.

1. The mesh of every net or seine used for the purpose of taking fish in tidal waters shall measure diagonally, when prepared for use, wetted, and stretched, not less than 4 in., unless such net is a *bond fide* garfish-net or herring-net, and used for taking garfish or herrings only.

2. Any person committing a breach of the above regulation shall be liable to a penalty of not less than £1 and not exceeding £20.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Excepting Land from the Operation of Section 117 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this seventeenth day of February, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), for a limited period or otherwise, and either generally or for such purposes and subject to such restrictions as shall be in such Order specified, any land, wheresoever situate, which is for the time being subject to the operation of the said section, or any interest therein or right over the same, or may in like manner make such exception in favour exclusively of any lessee or other person who has been *bond fide* in occupation of and has made improvements on such land, or has paid money to Native owners for lease or purchase thereof, prior to the passing of the said Act: Provided that no Order in Council under the provisions of this section shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided also that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act:

And whereas the Maniapoto-Tuwaharetoa District Maori Land Council has recommended that all that part of the block or parcel of land known as Kinohaku West G Section 1A No. 2, containing one thousand four hundred and thirteen acres, more or less, situate in the Auckland Provincial District, be excepted from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of lease:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of lease, all that block or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing one thousand four hundred and thirteen acres, more or less, being part of the land known as Kinohaku West G Section 1A No. 2, and being part of the land comprised in order of the Native Land Court dated the seventeenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and one, in favour of Poutu Rangiatepure and others.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Warrant authorising the Construction of a Bridge over the Matau River, at Kaitangata, and apportioning the Cost of the Bridge.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

And whereas the bridge mentioned in the Schedule hereto (hereinafter referred to as "the said bridge") has been constructed under an arrangement made between the Bruce County Council and the Kaitangata Borough Council, but the provisions of section one hundred and thirteen of the said Act precedent to the construction of the said bridge were not observed or complied with, but the said local bodies desire to have the bridge authorised in terms of the said section:

And whereas by the seventeenth section of "The Public Works Act, 1903," it is provided that the Governor may, on the application of the Bruce County Council and the Kaitangata Borough Council, issue a Warrant under subsection two (e) of section one hundred and thirteen of the said Act, authorising the construction of the said bridge, and apportioning the cost thereof between the said Councils, notwithstanding that the steps precedent thereto required by the said section have not been taken, and that the bridge has already been constructed: And whereas the Bruce County Council and the Kaitangata Borough Council have made application to the Governor to authorise the construction of the said bridge, and to apportion the cost of constructing the same between the Bruce County Council and the Kaitangata Borough Council as required by the last-mentioned enactment:

And whereas the Governor is of opinion that the work should be authorised as provided in subsection two (e) of section one hundred and thirteen of "The Public Works Act, 1894":

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and "The Public Works Act, 1903," do hereby authorise the construction of the said bridge by the Bruce County Council, and I do declare that the cost of constructing the said bridge, less such amount by way of contribution as may have been provided by the Government, shall be borne by the Bruce County Council and the Kaitangata Borough Council in the following proportions:—

The Kaitangata Borough Council shall contribute the sum of four hundred and ninety-nine pounds five shillings and ninepence, and the Bruce County Council shall contribute the balance of the cost of the work; and such proportions shall be paid by the said local authorities accordingly.

SCHEDULE.

THE bridge over the Matau Branch of the Clutha River known as the Matau Bridge, Kaitangata, situated on the Matau River about 70 chains from the western boundary of the Town of Kaitangata; as the site of the said bridge is delineated on the plan marked R. 1633, deposited in the office of the Chief Engineer of Roads, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

Lapwings to be deemed Game.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that from and after the date hereof lapwings (*Vanellus cristatus*) shall come within the operation of the said Act as fully and effectually as if they had been included in the Third Schedule thereto.

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

J. G. WARD.

Removing Restrictions against Alienation of Native Land.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS by section fourteen of "The Maori Land Laws Amendment Act, 1903," it is enacted that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, or in any Crown grant or other instrument of title, the Governor may, on the recommendation of the Council, remove any restriction existing against the alienation of land owned by Maoris: Provided that the decision of the Governor on any

recommendation of the Council shall be given within six months from the date of the receipt of such recommendation:

And whereas the Maniapoto-Tuwaharetoa District Maori Land Council, by a recommendation made and passed by the said Council on the fourth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and three, recommended His Excellency the Governor to remove and revoke the restrictions against the alienation of the block of land known as Tapuiwahine No. 2, particulars of which land are set out in the Schedule hereunder written, so far as to permit the said land to be leased:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers conferred upon and vested in me by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities me thereunto enabling, and in accordance with the recommendation of the Maniapoto-Tuwaharetoa District Maori Land Council aforesaid, hereby remove and revoke the restrictions now existing against the alienation of the said block of land so far as to permit the said land to be leased.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land, situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing 78 acres, more or less, known as Tapuiwahine No. 2, and being the whole of the land comprised in partition order of the Native Land Court dated the 30th day of May, 1901, in favour of H. Rangitapainga.

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

J. CARROLL.

Land temporarily reserved in the Canterbury 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 Canterbury 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 Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 98 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 3666 (in red), Block V., Square 87, Cheviot Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Sections Nos. 39 and 3 of said Square 87, towards the east, south-east, and south by Section No. 40 of said square, and towards the south-west by the Wai-au-ua River: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51365, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a forest reserve.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Hawke's Bay 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 Hawke's Bay 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 Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,756 acres, more or less, being the Aorangi No. 1 Block, Mata Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the Aorangi Maunga Block and the Korutu-o-Whiti and Motupotaka Streams; towards the east by the Aorangi River and the Aorangi No. 1A Block; towards the south by the said Aorangi River and Section No. 1, Block I., Mata Survey District; and towards the west by the Tapuwaeroa No. 2A No. 1 Block (Crown land): as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51442, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a forest and scenic reserve.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Lands temporarily reserved in the Auckland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 51 acres 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 103 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 102; towards the east by Sections Nos. 95 and 94; towards the south by Section No. 104; and towards the west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 37 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 100 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 99; towards the east by Sections Nos. 98 and 97; towards the south by Section No. 101; and towards the west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750A, deposited at the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 51 acres, more or less, being Section No. 252 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 253; towards the east by the Waipa River; towards the south by Section No. 251; and towards the north-west generally by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750B, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 262A of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 149 of the Parish of Karamu; towards the south-east by Section No. 262 of the Parish of Pirongia; and towards the south-west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750C, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 150 acres 1 rood 33 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 107, 108, and 109 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 112, 111, and 110; towards the north-west by Section No. 110 aforesaid; towards the south-east generally by a public road; towards the south-west by Section No. 106;

and again towards the north-west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750D, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres, more or less, being Section No. 153 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 152A; towards the south-east by a public road; towards the south-west by Section No. 154; and towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 148 and 147: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750E, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres, more or less, being Section No. 171 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 170; towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 175 and 176; towards the south-west by Section No. 172; and towards the north-west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750F, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 45 acres, more or less, being Section No. 293 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 178; towards the south-east by a public road; towards the south-west by Section No. 294; and towards the north-west by Section No. 292: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750G, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres 1 rood 5 perches, more or less, being Section No. 51 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 52; towards the south-east by a public road; towards the south-west by Section No. 50; and towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 58 and 59: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750H, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 51 acres 2 roods 33 perches, more or less, being Section No. 55 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 56; towards the south-east by Sections Nos. 48 and 337; towards the south-west by Section No. 334; and towards the north-west by a public road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750I, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 49 acres 1 rood 24 perches, more or less, being Section No. 49 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 50; towards the south-east by a public road; towards the south-west by Section No. 48; and towards the north-west by Section Nos. 56 and 57: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750J, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 48 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 30 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 31; towards the south-east by a public road; towards the south-west by Section No. 29; and towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 43 and 41: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750K, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres, more or less, being Section No. 23 of the Parish of Pirongia. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 350; towards the north-east by Section No. 24; towards the south by a public road; and towards the south-west by Section No. 364: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51750L, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For primary education.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

First-class Land.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
Maniototo	Komako T'shp.	24, 25	..	20	2	24	1	5	0	26	5	0	1	3	0	13	2	1	0	10	6

Undulating and level agricultural land; not well watered, but water may be obtained by sinking. Situated about one mile from Waipiata Post-office and School by a good road.

Second-class Land.

Clutha ..	Catlin's ..	27	VIII.	190	2	30	0	10	0	95	10	0	0	6	2	7	9	0	4	8	1	18	2
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A bush section, with good soil and a good aspect; well watered; timber red-pine, miro, hini-hini, broadleaf, and kamai. Situated about three miles from Owaka Railway-station.

Clutha ..	Glenomaru ..	46, 47, 48, 49	II.	142	0	31	0	8	9	62	2	6	0	5	25	1	11	1	0	4	2	1	4	10
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Section 46 is practically open, containing only two or three acres of bush. It is covered with fern and tutu, and has a good aspect. Sections 47, 48, and 49 are covered with dense bush, the timber being mostly kamai, with an occasional red-pine tree of no value for milling. They have a southerly aspect, and are rather steep. Situated about three miles from Romahapa.

Vincent ..	Lower Hawea	4	VII.	308	0	0	0	8	0	123	4	0	0	4	8	3	1	7	0	3	84	2	9	3
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Weighted with £69 4s. valuation for improvements. Open land, about 50 acres being suitable for cultivation, the remainder being hilly or shallow hill-top, and poor. Situated about thirty-three miles from Cromwell, and two miles from Luggate School.

Vincent ..	Poolburn ..	3	X.	141	3	12	0	7	6	53	5	0	0	4	5	1	6	8	0	3	6	1	1	4
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Weighted with £31, valuation for improvements. Open land, poor and dry, with a shingly subsoil. Situated close to Poolburn Post-office and School, and about ten miles from Ida Valley Railway-station.

Tuapeka	Rankleburn ..	51	VI.	3	0	31	0	7	6	1	2	6	0	4	5	0	0	7	0	3	6	0	0	5
"	" ..	52	"	8	2	33	0	7	6	3	7	6	0	4	5	0	1	8	0	3	6	0	1	4
"	" ..	53	"	14	2	17	0	7	6	5	12	6	0	4	5	0	2	10	0	3	6	0	2	3

These sections occupy a steep face overlooking the Clutha River. They are somewhat rocky and rough, and are covered with dense manuka scrub and patches of useless birch. Situated about one mile from Rongahere Post-office and School.

Maniototo	Rock & Pillar	55	I.	1	0	2	0	18	9	0	18	9	0	11	25	0	0	6	0	9	0	0	0	5
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Weighted with £3, valuation for improvements. A small open section, situated at Hamilton's Township, about one mile from the school.

Clutha ..	S. Molyneux	8	IV.	50	3	15	0	7	6	19	2	6	0	4	5	0	9	7	0	3	6	0	7	8
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This section has a bad aspect, and the soil is light. Excepting about 2 acres it is covered with bush, mostly kamai and useless red-pine. Situated about two and a half miles from Romahapa Railway-station and School.

Vincent ..	Tarras ..	4	IX.	320	0	0	0	5	0	80	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	12	0
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Weighted with £8 15s. 6d., valuation for improvements. Open land, poor and shingly. Situated about eighteen miles from Cromwell, on the Cromwell-Kanaka Road.

Vincent ..	Tiger Hill ..	10	I.	48	3	25	0	12	6	30	12	6	0	7	5	0	15	4	0	6	0	12	3
"	" ..	11	"	48	3	25	0	12	6	30	12	6	0	7	5	0	15	4	0	6	0	12	3

Light open land, with a shingly subsoil; no permanent surface water, but water might be obtained by sinking. Situated within half a mile of the proposed Black's Railway-station, on a good road, and about one mile from Ophir Post-office and School.

Clutha ..	Woodland ..	3	IX.	76	0	0	0	6	3	23	15	0	0	3	75	0	11	11	0	3	0	9	6
"	" ..	4	"	69	2	20	0	6	3	21	17	6	0	3	75	0	10	11	0	3	0	8	9
"	" ..	5	"	209	0	20	0	6	3	65	6	3	0	3	75	1	12	8	0	3	1	6	2
"	" ..	6	"	150	1	20	0	6	3	46	17	6	0	3	75	1	3	5	0	3	0	18	9
"	" ..	7	"	109	3	0	0	6	3	34	7	6	0	3	75	0	7	2	0	3	0	13	9
"	" ..	9 and 25	"	221	0	0	0	8	4	92	1	8	0	5	2	6	1	0	4	1	16	10	
"	" ..	10	"	154	1	20	0	7	6	57	15	0	0	4	5	1	8	11	0	3	6	1	3
"	" ..	12	"	143	3	30	0	7	6	54	0	0	0	4	5	1	7	0	0	3	6	1	1
"	" ..	24*	"	101	0	0	0	12	6	63	2	6	0	7	5	1	11	7	0	6	1	5	3

* Weighted with £15, valuation for improvements. Rough bush sections generally, with a bad aspect. Situated about eleven miles from Owaka Railway-station.

Tuapeka ..	Tuapeka W.	12	XIII.	20	0	13	0	17	6	17	10	0	0	10	5	0	8	9	0	8	4	0	7	0
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A somewhat broken section, with soil of fair quality. Permanent water would probably be got by sinking. Situated near the Rankleburn punt, on a good road, about two miles from Rongahere Post-office and School.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Otago 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 Otago 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 Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 roods 26 perches, more or less, being part of Section No. 21, Block XXV., Town of Clinton. Bounded towards the north-east by Tapanui Road, 200 links; thence towards the south-east by Section No. 20, 207 links; thence towards the south-west by Section No. 22, 200 links; and thence towards the north-west by other part of said Section No. 21, 207 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51659, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered pink. For railway purposes.

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

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 land in the Auckland 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 Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 24 perches, more or less, being Section No. 31A, Town of Waihi. Bounded towards the north-east by Haszard Street, towards the south-east and south-west by Section No. 31 of the Town of Waihi, and towards the north-west by Sections Nos. 16 and 17 of the said town: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 50088, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For a site for Borough Council buildings.

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

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 land in the Auckland 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 Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being Section No. 19A, Ahipara Parish, Block IV., Ahipara Survey District. Bounded by a line commencing at peg No. 1 on the south side of a public road from Ahipara to Kaitaia, the said peg being distant 2373.7 links north and 2055.8 links east of Trig. Station No. 35 (Block IV., Ahipara Survey District), and proceeding thence in an easterly direction along said road a distance of 1251 links; thence in a southerly direction by a line bearing S. 8° 27' W. a distance of 445 links to the northern bank of the Wairoa River; thence in a westerly direction by the Wairoa River to a line bearing S. 15° 35' W. from peg No. 1 aforesaid; and thence in a northerly direction by that line a distance of 267 links to said peg No. 1, the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 41773, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered purple. For a site for a Native school.

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

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 land in the Auckland 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 Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods 24 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 5, 11, and 12 of Block XXIII., Town of Rotorua. Bounded towards the north by Arawa Street; towards the east by Fenton Street; towards the south by Sections Nos. 13 and 10 of Block XXIII., Town of Rotorua; and towards the west by Section No. 4 of said block: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51363, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red. For Post and Telegraph Department.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.*Land temporarily reserved in the Wellington Land District.*

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale

the land in the Wellington Land District described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purpose in the said Schedule specified at the end of the description of the land so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 8 acres 1 rood 35 perches, more or less, being Section No. 39, Block V., Mount Cerberus Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Sections Nos. 17 and 16, towards the east by Waipatukaka Road, towards the south by Manuhara Road, and towards the west by part of Section No. 18: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51681, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a site for a public school.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Wellington Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 3,000 acres, more or less, being Section No. 32, Blocks XII., XVI., Akatarawa, VII., Waiohine, and II., Wairarapa Survey Districts. Bounded towards the north-west generally by Sections Nos. 18, 17, 13, and 14, Block XVI., and by the Wellington-Manawatu Railway Company's land allocation Block No. 25; towards the north-east generally by Forest Reserve Block XII., Akatarawa, and Block VII., Waiohine Survey Districts, and by Sections Nos. 544 and 527 of said Waiohine Survey District to Rimutaka Road; and towards the south generally by Rimutaka Road, by Sections Nos. 24, 23, 27, and 22 of said Block XVI., and again by Rimutaka Road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49112, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered green. For climatic and water-conservation purposes.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Taranaki 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 Taranaki 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 Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,052 acres, more or less, being Section No. 1, Block IX., Ohura Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 1 of Block V., Ohura Survey District; towards the east by Section No. 6, Block IX., of said district, and by the Ohura Road and Railway Reserve; towards the south by Section No. 1, Block XII., Waro Survey District; and towards the west by Crown land: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51713, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a forest reserve.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Southland Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres, more or less, being Section No. 13, Block X., Chatton Survey District. Bounded towards the north by a public road, towards the east by Section No. 12, and towards the south and west by Section No. 10: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51705, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered pink. For a gravel reserve.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Wellington Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Section No. 44, Block VIII., Rangitoto Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west and north-east by Section No. 12; towards the south-east by Section No. 13; and towards the south-west by Kakariki-Onepuehu Road: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 19261, deposited in the

Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured purple. For a site for a public school.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Wellington Land District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 3 roods 21 perches, more or less, being Section No. 4A, Block III., Hautapu Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 4, towards the east generally by Wairano Road, and towards the south-west by road reserve along the bank of the Hautapu River: the said Section No. 4A is intersected by a road reserve: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 49966, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red. For a scenic reserve.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

Regulations for Public-school Cadet Corps.

RANFURLY, Governor.

WHEREAS section eighty-five of "The Education Act, 1877," provides for military drill being carried out in the public schools of the colony: And whereas section seventeen, subsections one and two, of "The Defence Act Amendment Act, 1900," provides that the Governor may from time to time make regulations for the formation, equipment, and training of cadet corps in connection with the public schools, and give the control of such cadet corps to the Education Boards or the Education Department in such manner and to such extent as he thinks fit: And whereas it is expedient that cadet corps should be organized, equipped, and trained, and regulations made as aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of all powers and authorities conferred on me by the aforesaid Acts, do hereby order and declare that all cadets corps in connection with the public schools of the colony already formed, and such other corps as may be formed hereafter, shall be and the same are hereby placed solely under the control of the Education Department: and in further pursuance of such powers and authorities as aforesaid I do hereby cancel the regulations in this behalf made on the thirteenth day of May and the thirty-first day of October, one thousand nine hundred and two, and in lieu thereof make the regulations set out in the Schedule hereto; and I do hereby order and declare that such last-named regulations shall apply to all cadet corps as from the date hereof.

SCHEDULE.

REGULATIONS.

1. THE Governor may from time to time appoint an officer to command public-school cadet corps, and such officer shall have power at such times as shall be arranged with the Education Board (hereinafter called "the Board") to inspect any of such corps and to enter any school for such purpose, and such officer will be held responsible for the training of such cadet corps. He shall also have power to issue such instruc-

tions and other "orders" as he may think necessary for the discipline, training, &c., of such cadet corps, and as approved by the Minister of Education (hereinafter called "the Minister"); and, further, he shall report from time to time on the efficiency of such cadet corps to the Minister.

2. The Minister may appoint such officers and instructors as he thinks fit for the training of such cadet corps, and he may remove any such officers or instructors so appointed if he thinks fit.

3. Education Boards shall set apart certain hours for military drill, not less than one hour in each week.

4. In every school in which there are twelve or more boys of twelve years of age or upwards the instruction in the military drill required by section 85 of "The Education Act, 1877," shall include physical drill, the manual and firing exercises, and such parts of company drill as it is possible to carry out.

5. The drill-book used shall be "Infantry Training for Public School Cadets, 1903," or a later edition, or such other special manual of drill as may be issued by the Department.

6. The Minister may recognise as a cadet corps a company with a minimum establishment as follows: 2 lieutenants (or 1 captain and 1 lieutenant), 1 colour-sergeant, 2 sergeants, 2 corporals, 1 bugler, 40 privates (of whom 3 may be lance-corporals): total, 48 of all ranks.

7. In any school in which the number of enrolments brings the total establishment to more than 96 of all ranks, two companies shall be formed.

8. The Minister may also recognise as a cadet corps a detachment of not less than 24 of all ranks, 20 at least being privates, under charge of a lieutenant. Such a detachment may include two or more sections from neighbouring schools, but in that case each section shall consist of not less than 12 cadets.

9. Two or more detachments from neighbouring schools may be formed into a cadet corps. The combined officers and non-commissioned officers of a corps so formed shall not exceed 1 captain, 2 lieutenants, 1 colour-sergeant, 3 sergeants, 4 corporals, and 1 bugler.

10. The officers of cadet corps shall be appointed by the Minister, on the recommendation of the headmaster, if the Board signifies its approval of such recommendation.

11. The non-commissioned officers shall be appointed, after examination, by the officer commanding the corps.

12. At least one of the officers in each corps must be a master of the school.

13. At the time of being enrolled in a public-school cadet corps a cadet must, except as provided in clause 14,—

- (a.) Be on the roll of a public school;
- (b.) Be over twelve years of age; or
- (c.) Being under twelve years of age, be 4 ft. 7 in. in his stocking feet, and be otherwise physically fit;
- (d.) Have obtained the consent of his parent or guardian to enrol.

14. The majority of a cadet corps at any time must be actually on the roll of the school, but—

- (a.) If already enrolled, a boy may continue to belong to it after he has left school until he reaches the age of sixteen, provided that there is no Volunteer cadet corps in the locality.
- (b.) Where there are not sufficient boys over twelve on the rolls of the district schools to form a corps, and where no other cadet corps exists, the required number may be made up by the addition of former pupils of the schools who are over twelve and not over sixteen.

15. Battalions, consisting of not less than four companies nor more than eight, may be formed in localities where the formation can be satisfactorily carried out. A battalion staff shall consist of 1 major, 1 adjutant, 1 quartermaster, 1 sergeant-major, 1 quartermaster-sergeant.

16. Battalion officers shall be appointed by the Minister on the recommendation of the inspecting officer indorsed by the Board.

17. Battalion bands, either brass or military, may be formed.

18. There shall, out of any funds appropriated by Parliament for the purpose, be paid for the benefit of each cadet corps, by way of capitation, the sum of two shillings and sixpence in respect of every cadet who attends the number of parades required by the Minister to be attended.

19. The Minister may appoint persons to inspect recognised public-school cadet corps, the times and places of such inspections being fixed by agreement with the Board in such a way as not to interfere with the ordinary routine of the schools.

20. The Department will supply to the Board for the use of recognised cadet corps,—

- 1 model rifle and waistbelt for each cadet.
- 1 miniature rifle for each 10 cadets, but not more than 10 for any public school.

1 officer's sword with sling and knot if there are 24 cadets, 2 if 48 cadets, 3 if 72 cadets, and so on; but not more than 5 to any school.

Rank-badges for non-commissioned officers, as required.

1 bugle for each corps.

50 ball cartridges per cadet per annum.

21. Caps with badges, and haversacks, will be supplied at 2s. each respectively, and extra ammunition at cost price.

22. Rifles are to be kept clean, dry, and in good order, and after use must be placed safely in racks provided for them. The miniature rifles must be cleaned by means of the "pull-through" after firing at each range, and on completion of the firing each rifle must be thoroughly cleaned before leaving the firing-point, and a piece of flannelette smeared with vaseline run through the barrel; the lock-action and barrel also must be rubbed over with vaseline in order to prevent erosion. The miniature rifles must be kept locked up, and are not to be used except for target practice or for teaching the firing exercise. Neither miniature nor model rifles may be taken from the precincts of the schools except for an authorised parade or manoeuvre.

23. The ammunition issued for ball practice is to be expended as follows—viz., five rounds each at the 100, 200, 300, 400, and 500 yard ranges respectively; and to be fired standing at 100 yards, kneeling at 200 yards, sitting at 300 yards, and lying down at 400 and 500 yards. At all target practice and rifle matches every precaution must be taken to prevent accident, and the senior officer present on the range will be responsible to see that this is done. A bugler must be present at all times when ball-firing takes place. The number of ball cartridges issued at any one time to a cadet shall on no account be more than the number to be actually expended at a particular range, and the officer in charge shall see that every cartridge is accounted for.

24. Uniforms shall be of a pattern approved by the Minister.

25. To qualify for capitulation a cadet corps must have fulfilled the following conditions:—

- (a.) It must have held during the school year at least twenty-four daylight parades for drill, not more than four of which have been battalion parades: provided that if it forms part of a battalion it must have attended not less than two battalion parades during the year.
- (b.) Each such parade must have been attended by at least two-thirds of the enrolled strength.
- (c.) At each such parade the time devoted to actual drill shall not have been less than forty minutes.
- (d.) The parades must as a rule have been held in the open air, the exceptions, on account of bad weather or other circumstances, not being more than twelve.

26. Capitulation will be paid in respect of each officer or cadet who has attended during the school year not less than sixteen parades held in accordance with clause 25 hereof.

27. Immediately after the close of a school year the officer commanding a cadet corps will forward to the Education Board of the district, for transmission to the Department, the nominal and descriptive roll of the corps for the year, and the original parade roll from which the entries therein are made. The nominal and descriptive roll is to be indorsed with a statement of the claim for capitulation, and a certificate that the requirements of these regulations have been fulfilled.

28. Capitulation may be expended in the purchase of uniforms or for such other purposes in connection with the corps as the officer commanding the same may think fit.

29. The commanding officer of every cadet corps shall cause a full and correct account to be kept of the receipts and expenditure of the funds of the corps, and shall submit the same when required to an auditor appointed by the Education Board of the district.

30. Any cadet corps unfavourably reported upon on two successive occasions may be disbanded, and the Government property in its possession called in.

31. An officer must be in possession of a uniform before being provided with sword, sling, and knot.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Education.

President of the Court of Arbitration appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

His Honour FREDERICK REVANS CHAPMAN,

a Judge of the Supreme Court of the said colony, to be the President of the Arbitration Court constituted by the said "Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900." Appointment to date from the 20th February, 1904.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

Officers under the Fisheries Conservation Acts appointed, Canterbury.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

IT is hereby notified that

CHARLES ALFRED OWEN, of Scargill;
JOHN SHARPE, of Scargill; and
ROBERT HENRY DUNCAN FERGUSON, of Scargill,

have been appointed to be Officers for the purposes of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," and the Acts amending the same.

J. G. WARD.

Appointment of Vice-Consul-General of the United States of America, at Auckland, recognised.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that he has been instructed by His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies to recognise the appointment of

LEONARD A. BACHELDER, Esq.,

as Vice-Consul-General of the United States of America at Auckland.

J. G. WARD.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES ALFRED OWEN,
JOHN SHARPE, and
ROBERT HENRY DUNCAN FERGUSON

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

J. G. WARD.

Inspector of Weights and Measures, Counties of Opotiki and Whakatane, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Sergeant MAXWELL WALKER

to be an Inspector of Weights and Measures under "The Weights and Measures Act, 1903," for the Counties of Whakatane and Opotiki.

J. G. WARD.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

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.
RICHARD SIMMONDS	Coromandel.
VALDEMAR RODE ANDERSON	Mahurangi.

J. G. WARD.

Officer under the Fisheries Conservation Acts appointed, Hawke's Bay.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

IT is hereby notified that
JAMES JOSEPH TUOHY
has been appointed to be an Officer for the purposes of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," and the Acts amending the same.

J. G. WARD.

Female Official Visitor appointed.

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Miss MARGARET BEERE

to be an Official Visitor of H.M. Prison at Lyttelton.

JAS. MCGOWAN.

Members of Otago Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance and exercise of all the powers enabling him in that behalf, appointed

JAMES TAYLOR MCKERRAS,
The Hon. DAVID PINKERTON, M.L.C.,
JAMES ROBIN, and
THOMAS ROSS, of Rothesay,

to be members of the Otago Harbour Board.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Member of Otago Dock Trust appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance of the provisions of "The Harbours Act, 1878," and of section 2 of "The Otago Dock Act 1883 Amendment Act, 1885," as amended by section 8 of "The Port Chalmers Corporation Empowering Act, 1903," appointed

JOHN THOMPSON,

of Port Chalmers, to be a member of the Otago Dock Trust.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Person appointed to license Boats on the Taieri River.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance of the provisions of the regulations for licensing boats which were made by the Governor in Council on the 8th March, 1899, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 23rd day of the same month,

CHARLES EDWARD WISDOM FLEMING

has been appointed to be the person to license such boats which are towed on the Taieri River.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Land Transfer Officer appointed.

Head Office, Stamp Department,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM JOHNSTON

to be Assistant Land Registrar and Deputy Registrar of Deeds, at Gisborne, for the Land and Deeds Registration District of Poverty Bay, as from the 24th day of February, 1904.

J. CARROLL,
Commissioner of Stamps.

Inspector under "The Noxious Weeds Act, 1900," appointed.— Notice No. 856.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 13th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK HASSEL DALE

to be an Inspector for the purposes of "The Noxious Weeds Act, 1900," for the Borough of Campbelltown; the appointment to date from 12th February, 1904.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Cadettes appointed.

Valuation Department,
Wellington, 17th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

NORA SMYTHE,
GERTRUDE ETHEL DAVIDSON, and
MARGARET FLORA MCLEAN

to be cadettes in the Valuation Department, as from the 1st day of February, 1904; and

MARGARET JANE DRYSDALE

to be a cadette in the Valuation Department, as from the 15th day of February, 1904.

C. H. MILLS,
Minister in Charge of Valuation Department.

Volunteer Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 5th February, 1904.

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

Taieri Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

John Andrew to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd September, 1903.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Award of the Imperial Long-service and Good-conduct Medal.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve, under Warrant dated 22nd April, 1898, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 30, of the 28th April, 1898, of the award of the Imperial Long-service and Good-conduct Medal to

No. 5, Sergeant JAMES THOMAS WEBB, Royal New Zealand Artillery.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Regulations for Commissions in British Army amended.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

THE following despatch from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies is published for general information.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Defence.

Downing Street, 4th December, 1903.

My LORD,—With reference to my predecessor's circular despatch of the 10th of September, 1901, I have the honour to transmit to you for communication to your Government copies of a memorandum issued from the War Office regarding the proposed changes in the examination of candidates for commissions in the Regular Forces.

2. It will be seen that, pending the introduction of the proposed general literary examination for all candidates, officers of Colonial Military Forces who may be nominated for appointment to commissions will undergo the literary test laid down in the Regulations reprinted in January last. Copies of these Regulations are also enclosed.

3. It has been decided, however, that from the examination to be held in September, 1904, the subjects of the Military

Examination for such candidates will be those named in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, instead of those laid down in paragraph 13 of the Regulations.

4. I have also to request you to inform your Ministers that in future candidates from the Colonial local Military Forces will be qualified for appointment up to the age of twenty-five.

I have, &c.,
ALFRED LYTTELTON.

Governor the Right Honourable the Earl
of Ranfurly, G.C.M.G., &c.

ARMY ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS.

Woolwich and Sandhurst candidates.

1. Acting upon the recommendation of the Advisory Board for Military Education, the Secretary of State for War has decided that there shall be no change in the subjects of examination, or in the mode of conducting the competition, of candidates for admission to the Royal Military Academy and Royal Military College at the examinations to be held in June and November, 1904, and June, 1905. The subjects at those examinations will therefore be as laid down in the Regulations reprinted in January, 1903, and separate lists for Woolwich and Sandhurst will be maintained. The special history period for 1904 will be: From A.D. 1837 to A.D. 1870.

Recommendations have been made by the Advisory Board with reference to the subjects of examination at subsequent competitions for admission to Woolwich and Sandhurst, and a further notification will in due course be made in regard to any changes that may result from those recommendations.

Militia and Imperial Yeomanry candidates.

2. The new competitive examinations in military subjects for Militia and Imperial Yeomanry candidates will, as previously notified, come into force at the examination to be held in September, 1904.

The subjects of that examination will be as follows: Military History and Strategy, Tactics, Military Engineering, Military Topography, Military Law, Military Administration and Organization. (In 1905 a further qualifying practical test in military work may be added.)

Until the proposed new general literary examination for all candidates shall have been settled and brought into operation, the qualifying examination in literary subjects, which Militia and Imperial Yeomanry candidates will be required to undergo before they can attend the competitive examination in military subjects, will be that laid down in the present regulations for candidates for admission to the Royal Military College (unless they possess such other qualification as may have already been accepted by the Civil Service Commissioners in lieu thereof).

Candidates for appointment to the Royal Artillery must also reach the Woolwich standard in the aggregate of marks for Mathematics I. and II.

A qualifying examination of Militia and Imperial Yeomanry candidates in literary subjects will be held concurrently with such examination for admission to the Royal Military College. Applications from officers of Militia and Imperial Yeomanry for admission to such qualifying examinations should be addressed, not to the Civil Service Commissioners, but to the Assistant Adjutant-General (Military Education), War Office, S.W.

University candidates.

3. The question of University candidates is still under consideration. An announcement regarding these candidates will be made at an early date.

Colonial candidates.

4. The subjects of the literary examination of colonial candidates will remain unchanged pending the introduction of the new general literary examination. The subjects of the Military Examination will, from September, 1904, be those named in paragraph 2 above.

War Office, 30th September, 1903.

[D. 04/234.]

Resignation of a Trustee, Dunedin Savings-bank.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

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

MR. JAMES RATTRAY

of his appointment as a Trustee of the Dunedin Savings-bank.

R. J. SEDDON.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Waitemata County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

WAITEMATA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Declaration of Poll.

PROPOSAL to borrow £6,000 from the Colonial Treasurer for the purposes of a water-supply for the inhabitants of the Northcote Water-supply District, on which a poll was taken on the 3rd day of February, 1904:—

The result of the aforesaid poll having been ascertained, I hereby give notice that the number of votes recorded for and against the proposal was as follows: For the proposal, 123; against the proposal, 38; informal, 1.

And I hereby declare that, in view of the total number of valid votes recorded in favour of the proposal being more than three-fifths of the total number of valid votes recorded at the poll, the resolution in favour of such proposal was carried.

JOHN H. O'NEILL,
Chairman, Waitemata County Council.

Dated at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1904.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Weber County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901."

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

WEBER COUNTY COUNCIL.

Proposed Loan of £6,000 under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and Amendments thereto.

A POLL was taken on the above proposal on the 4th day of February, 1904, and following is the result: For the proposal, 74; against the proposal, 45.

There being in favour of the proposal more than three-fifths of the total number of valid votes recorded at the poll, I hereby declare the proposal carried.

STEPHEN FRANKLIN,
Chairman of the Weber County Council.

Titree Point, 9th February, 1904.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

GREYMOOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

PUBLIC notice is hereby given that a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Greymouth was taken on the 3rd day of February, 1904, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," and its amendments, on the following proposal, viz.—That it is proposed to raise a special loan of £5,000 for the purposes set forth in the following schedule, viz.: Water-works, £2,500; street improvements, £2,500: total, £5,000. It is proposed to pledge as security for the said loan—(1) the rents and profits from the gas- and water works; (2) an annual-recurring rate of 1d. in the pound on the rateable value of the property in the borough. (3.) The provision for repayment is proposed to be made by redeeming one debenture of £100 face-value every year.

The result of the poll was as follows: Number of votes recorded for the proposal, 251; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 61; informal vote, 1: total number of votes, 313; majority of valid votes for the proposal, 190.

The proposal was therefore carried.
Dated at Greymouth, this 4th day of February, 1904.

JESSE STEER,
Mayor.
EDWARD IVEAGH LORD,
Town Clerk.

Notice to Mariners No. 10 of 1904.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 11th February, 1904.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Marine Board, Port Adelaide, South Australia, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Gulf St. Vincent.—Entrance to Port Adelaide River.

REFERRING to Notices Nos. 3, 4, and 5 of 1903, it is now proposed to erect on the outer end of the North Bank, in 11 ft. of water, with the reflecting beacon bearing N.E. by E., distant 2,200 ft., a black pile beacon, from which, when completed, an additional green fixed light, making three in all, will be exhibited.

The light will show all round, and be visible 5 miles.

While the beacon is in course of erection, a barge and pile-driver, from which a white light will be shown between sunset and sunrise, will be moored in the position.

A further notice will be issued advising the precise date the outer green light referred to will be exhibited.

This affects Admiralty Chart No. 2389B.

ARTHUR SEARCY,
President of the Marine Board.
Marine Board Offices, Port Adelaide,
26th January, 1904.

Notice to Mariners No. 11 of 1904.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 13th February, 1904.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 81 of 1903, issued by this Department on the 20th November, 1903, the following notice, received from the Presidency Port Officer, Madras, is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

INDIA.—EAST COAST.—VIZAGAPATAM.—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 51 of 1903, it is further notified that on the 16th December, 1903, a white fixed light was established at Vizagapatam, at an elevation of 40 ft above high water, and visible from seaward in clear weather from a distance of 12 miles, between the bearings of N. 10° W. through west and S. 50° W. The light, which is of the second order (the light-power being 4,250 candles), is shown from a masonry tower 52 ft. high, erected near the fort flagstaff.

Approximate position, lat. 17° 42' N., long. 83° 18' E.

T. H. BAKER,
For Presidency Port Officer.

Presidency Port Office,
Madras, 18th December, 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty charts: Bay of Bengal, Orissa Coast, Narasapur River to Bimlipatam, No. 1711; also India (sheet 4), Bay of Bengal, Cocanada to Bassein River, No. 829; and Chart No. 70 of Indian Ocean, Bay of Bengal.

Notice to Mariners No. 12 of 1904.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

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

WM. HALL-JONES.

INDIAN OCEAN.

Bay of Bengal.

KRISHNA LT.-V.—On 13th Dec., 1903, this lt.-v. (15° 37½' N., 95° 36½' E.) was to be temp. replaced by the lt.-v. "Martaban," exh. a fl. white lt.—fl. 5 secs., ecl. 40 secs. Jan.

EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO, ETC.

Java.

FOURTH PT. LT.—This lt. (6° 4' S., 105° 53' E.), W. coast of Java, Sunda Strait, has been altered from f. white to a fl. white lt. every 15 secs.—fl. 5 secs., ecl. 10 secs. Dec.

PAYUNG ISL. LT.—This lt. (5° 49½' S., 106° 33½' E.) has been altered from f. white to a fl. white lt. every three secs.—fl. 1 sec., ecl. 2 secs. Also, a f. white lt., r. 6 miles, is exh. from a screw pile on the srn. extr. of the reef extending from the isl., 2½ cables S. 72° W. from Payung Lt. Dec.

TEGAL HARB.—Green and red lts., r. 2 miles, are exh. from the harb. heads in 6° 51' S., 109° 8' E. Jan.

SURABAYA STRAIT.—A f. white lt., r. 12 miles, is to be exh. from the Pilot Station vessel at the entr. of the wrn. chan.; and Sembilangen lt. (7° 3½' S., 112° 40½' E.) is to be altered from f. white to a fl. white lt. Dec.

PROBOLINGO LT.—This lt. (7° 43' S., 113° 13' E.) has been altered from f. white to a group-occ. white lt. every 40 secs.—lt. 20 secs., ecl. 4 secs.; lt. 4 secs., ecl. 4 secs.; lt. 4 secs., ecl. 4 secs.—r. 11 miles. Jan.

CHINA SEA, ETC.

HAITAN STRAIT.—A danger, presumably a rk., carrying 10 ft. at l.w. springs, is reported to lie in approx. 25° 44½' N., 119° 38½' E., nrn. entr. to the strait, with Fairway Isl. summit N. 22° E. 13½ cables, and Cows Horn N. 62° W. Jan.

AUSTRALIA.

Torres Strait (and as far as Pera Head).

BERTIE BAY.—An area of shoal water extends 3 cables srn. from Goode Isl., across the entr. to the anchorage; also a shoal, named Cardale Patch, 2 cables from the wrn. extr. of Wai-Weer Reef (10° 34' S., 142° 10' E.). The srn. extr. of the shoal is to be marked by a black buoy, and the srn. extr. of Cardale Patch by a black and red cheq. buoy. Jan.

PACIFIC OCEAN.

New Guinea.

CAPE WARD HUNT.—A large shoal carrying 2 fms. is reported to exist in approx. 7° 55½' S., 148° 6½' E., approx. about 8 miles N. 20° W. from the cape. P.D. has been placed on the charts against this danger. Dec.

Admiralty charts that have received large corrections:—

No. 764. Pacific, S.W., New Hanover, New Ireland, and New Britain, plans of anchorages. Aug.

No. 214. S. Pacific, Solomon Isls. Sept.

No. 3391. New chart, Solomon Isls., anchorages in

Ysabel Isl., Korrigole Harb., Vulavu anchorage. Dec.

No. 3398. New chart, S. Pacific, Solomon Isls.,

anchorages in Ysabel Isl., Maringe Lagoon. Nov.

No. 3033. Pacific, New Hebrides Isls. and New Caledonia. Nov.

No. 988. Pacific Ocean, N., atolls in the Marshall

Group. June.

Admiralty publications issued:—

Supplement, 1903, relating to Pacific Isls., Vol. ii., 3rd

edition, 1900. Corrected to July, 1903. Oct.

Supplement, 1903, relating to Pacific Isls., Vol. iii., 3rd

edition, 1900. Corrected to July, 1903. Oct.

NORTH AMERICA.—WEST COAST.

British Columbia.

GRENVILLE CHAN.—A beacon, white pyra. on a concrete foundation surm. by red slatwork, 22 ft. high, is est. in approx. 53° 55½' N., 130° 10½' W., on Watson Rk., off the S.W. side of Gibson Isl., wrn. entr. to the chan. Jan.

SEAFORTH CHAN.—The f. lt. on Dryad Pt. (52° 11½' N., 128° 8½' W.) has been altered to show red from S. 11° E., through S. and W., to N. 44° W., r. 5 miles in this sector. In other respects the lt. is unaltered. Jan.

MERRY ISL.—A temp. f. white lt., elev. 57 ft. above h.w., r. 6 miles, is exh. from an octagonal lantern surm. a rectangular dwelling, white, 35 ft. high, in 49° 28' N., 123° 56½' W., on the s.-ern extr. of the isl., Welcome Pass. Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA.

Magellan Strait, &c.

CAPE VIRGINS.—It is intended to est. on Cape Virgins a fl. white lt. every 5 secs., elev. 193 ft. above h.w., r. 21 miles, exh. from a grey steel pyra. lt.-h., 76 ft. high, in approx. 52° 20' S., 68° 21' W. The lt. may be exh. exper. during constr. Jan.

Notice to Mariners No. 13 of 1904.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the United States Hydrographic Office, Washington, D.C., are published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES.

(113.) AUSTRALIA.

NEW SOUTH WALES—NORAH HEAD—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.—The Government of the State of New South Wales has given further notice that on 15th November, 1903, a flashing white dioptric light every 5 seconds, elevated 151 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 18 miles, would be established in a concrete tower 77 ft.

high, painted white, erected on Norah Head. The duration of the flash is $\frac{1}{4}$ second, and the light-power 110,000 candles.

Approx. position: Lat. $33^{\circ} 16' 45''$ S., long. $151^{\circ} 36' E.$
(N.M. 3, 1904.)

(Notice to Mariners No. 1035, Admiralty, London, 1903.)
British Admiralty charts (issued to U.S. vessels): No. 1021; H.O. Light List, Vol. ii., No. 479A; "Australia Directory," Vol. ii., 1898, page 78.

(115.) SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

RAPA ISLAND — AHUREI BAY — BEST ANCHORAGE. — The French Government gives notice that the commander of the gunboat "Zélé" reports that the best anchorage in Ahurei Bay is on the following bearings, viz.: —

Tapui Island just closed by Kutuni Point, and the summit of Mangaoa a little to the right of the temple.

(N.M. 3, 1904.)

(Avis aux Navigateurs No. 363 (2108), Paris, 1903.)

(116.) SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

MARQUESAS ISLANDS — NUKUHIVA — TAIIOHAE LIGHT RE-ESTABLISHED — CHANGE IN COLOUR. — Referring to Notice to Mariners No. 33 (1710) of 1903, the French Government gives further notice, dated 24th October, 1903, that the commander of "Protet" reports that the fixed white light shown from the ruins of Fort Collet, Taiiohae Bay, Nukuhiva, which was destroyed by a cyclone, has been replaced by a fixed red light shown from the same place, and visible a little over 3 miles.

The bay is easily made out at night owing to the glare of lights from the village.

(N.M. 3, 1904.)

(Avis aux Navigateurs No. 363 (2107), Paris, 1903.)

Tenders.

Public Works Department,
Wellington, 10th February, 1904.

THE following list of successful and unsuccessful tenders is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

PAEROA-WAIHI RAILWAY.—OHINEMURI BRIDGES CONTRACT.

		£	s.	d.
<i>Accepted.</i>				
Anderson, J. and A., Christchurch ..	..	3,540	0	0
<i>Declined.</i>				
Judd, C., Thames ..	..	4,053	7	9
Fraser, J. M., and Co., Dunedin ..	..	4,126	0	0
Fraser, Geo., and Sons, Auckland ..	..	4,150	6	0

Tenders.

Public Works Department,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

THE following list of successful and unsuccessful tenders is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

MIDLAND RAILWAY—STAIRCASE VIADUCT AND BROKEN RIVER BRIDGE CONTRACT.

SUPPLY OF MATERIAL AND ERECTION COMPLETE.

		£	s.	d.
<i>Accepted.</i>				
The Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Company (Limited), Darlington, England ..	..	26,269	7	11
<i>Declined.</i>				
Anderson, J. and A., Christchurch ..	..	28,834	2	10
Scott Bros., Christchurch ..	..	33,203	5	2

SUPPLY OF MATERIAL ONLY, MANUFACTURED IN THE COLONY.

		£	s.	d.
Anderson, J. and A., Christchurch ..	..	21,787	11	6
Scott Bros., Christchurch ..	..	19,828	10	2

SUPPLY OF MATERIAL ONLY, IMPORTED MANUFACTURED READY FOR ERECTION.

		£	s.	d.
Lysaght, John, Bristol, England ..	..	14,100	0	0
Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Company (Limited), Darlington, England ..	..	15,290	0	0
The Arrol's Bridge and Roof Company (Limited), Glasgow ..	..	15,720	0	0
Clyde Engineering Company (Limited), Granville, New South Wales ..	..	26,609	0	0

Licensing of Vehicles: By-law made by the Lake County Council.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

IT is hereby notified, in accordance with section 311 of "The Counties Act, 1886," that so much of the by-law No. XII., made by the Lake County Council and sealed on the 30th day of December, 1903, as appoints the several sums to be paid to the Lake County funds for the licensing of vehicles plying for hire for the carriage of passengers or goods within the County of Lake has this day been approved by His Excellency the Governor.

J. G. WARD.

Authorising the Laying-off of Elstow Street, Town of Cardington, of a Width of 66 ft.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 11th February, 1904.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 2 of "The Towns Main Streets Act, 1902," I do hereby authorise the laying-off of Elstow Street, in the Town of Cardington, Canterbury Land District, of a width of 66 ft., instead of 99 ft. as prescribed by section 17 of "The Land Act, 1892."

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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

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

Dated this 16th day of February, 1904.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister of Labour.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

Birkenhead	Wednesday.
Clinton	"
Dannevirke	"
Gore	"
Lawrence	"
Marton	"
Ngaruawahia	"
Ross	"
Te Awamutu	"
Turakina	"
Geraldine	Thursday.
Greytown (Allanton)	"
Eltham	"
Te Aroha	"

Dated this 16th day of February, 1904.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister of Labour.

Plants declared to be Noxious Weeds in the Borough of Stratford, and the County of Cook.—Notice No. 857.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 13th February, 1904.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the undermentioned local governing bodies have by special order declared the plants enumerated opposite each to be noxious weeds within the meaning of "The Noxious Weeds Act, 1900," in the district under the jurisdiction of each respectively:—

Local Bodies.	Plants.
Stratford Borough Council	Ox-eye daisy.
Cook County Council	Ragwort or ragweed.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Resignation of Member of Council under "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," accepted.

Office of Minister of Native Affairs,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

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

RICHARD JOHN GILL, Esq., of Auckland,
of the office of member of the Tai-rawhiti District Maori Land Council, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900."

J. CARROLL,
Minister of Native Affairs.

Member of Council under "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," appointed.

Office of Minister of Native Affairs,
Wellington, 12th February, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900,—

PEKA KEREKERE, of Gisborne,
to be a member of the Tai-rawhiti District Maori Land Council.

J. CARROLL,
Minister of Native Affairs.

Native Licensing Assessor elected.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

NOTICE has been received at this office, under the hand of the Returning Officer, that

REWETI TE RAKAHEREA

has been elected to be the Assessor for the Native Licensing District of Taupo.

F. WALDEGRAVE,
Under-Secretary.

Officiating Ministers for 1904.—Notice No. 5.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

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 intitled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

Mr. Ernest Adams.
Mr. John Pender Bathgate.
Mr. George Wansbone.

Christians commonly known as Brethren.

Mr. Henry Curran.
Church of Christ.

Mr. Jos. J. Franklyn.

Pilgrims of Peace.

Mr. Percival Commins.

E. J. von DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Government Observatory.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations, Wellington, for the month of January, 1904. Altitude above the sea, 140 ft. Observations taken at 9.30 a.m.

Date.	Barometer reduced and corrected, in inches.	From Self-registering Instruments, for Twenty-four Hours previously.						Rainfall, in inches.	Veloc. Wind, in Miles, 0 to 10.	Amount of Cloud, 0 to 10.	Direction of Wind.
		Max. Temp. in Shade.	Min. Temp. in Shade.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Solar Radiation.	Terrestrial Radiation.	Fah.				
1	29.950	Fah. 65.0	Fah. 50.0	Fah. 57.5	Fah. 114	Fah. 45	..	298	5	S.	
2	30.062	64.5	49.0	56.7	126	46	..	190	6	S.W.	
3	29.941	68.5	51.0	59.7	112	44	.09	210	7	S.E.	
4	29.880	69.0	49.0	59.0	134	43	..	100	5	N.W.	
5	29.695	71.6	59.2	65.4	125	56	.23	411	10	N.W.	
6	29.434	62.3	58.7	60.5	99	56	.72	497	10	N.W.	
7	29.539	66.7	58.4	60.0	132	48	.01	295	4	N.W.	
8	29.729	69.2	48.7	58.9	130	46	.13	337	10	S.	
9	30.047	59.1	46.1	52.6	121	41	.03	196	7	S.	
10	30.131	64.5	53.5	59.0	127	50	.17	134	10	S.	
11	30.377	71.1	48.5	59.8	130	43	..	99	0	N.	
12	30.331	78.8	59.1	68.9	132	53	..	227	8	N.E.	
13	30.141	72.4	60.2	66.3	133	58	.01	288	10	N.E.	
14	30.159	70.0	51.0	65.5	126	47	..	141	0	S.	
15	30.232	68.0	48.0	58.0	121	43	..	180	4	S.	
16	30.326	68.6	51.0	59.8	123	46	..	174	0	S.	
17	30.110	67.0	52.0	59.5	130	45	..	111	7	N.W.	
18	30.315	73.0	55.0	64.0	125	47	..	200	5	S.	
19	30.321	71.6	56.4	64.0	123	51	..	126	3	Calm	
20	30.294	75.8	57.2	66.5	125	51	..	68	1	N.W.	
21	30.315	82.3	62.0	72.0	135	52	..	160	0	N.W.	
22	30.400	82.0	59.0	70.5	132	56	..	163	10	S.E.	
23	30.300	72.0	56.0	64.0	120	55	.05	76	3	S.E.	
24	30.175	78.0	55.5	66.7	128	52	..	122	9	N.	
25	30.002	80.0	54.3	67.1	132	47	..	98	0	S.W.	
26	29.994	76.2	55.3	65.7	129	50	..	194	7	S.E.	
27	30.005	71.1	51.6	61.3	127	46	..	166	0	S.	
28	29.873	71.1	49.2	60.1	127	45	..	157	0	Calm	
29	29.436	77.4	60.0	68.7	131	55	.06	253	3	N.W.	
30	29.512	70.0	56.6	63.3	125	53	..	482	5	N.W.	
31	29.795	66.7	57.9	62.3	124	54	..	447	10	S.W.	
*	30.026	71.1	54.0	62.6	125.7	49.1	1.500	213.0	5.1	..	
†	29.852	..	..	59.6	..	..	2.405	..	..	..

* Means, &c. † Same month previous year.

NOTE.—A very warm, dry month; towards the end the atmosphere was very hazy owing to the bush fires in the surrounding country. The maximum rainfall, 0.72 in., was recorded on the 6th. Prevailing winds, N.W. and S. Maximum temperature in shade, 82.3°; minimum, 46.1°. Mean temperature of dew-point, 51.9°; mean humidity, 50.

CUTHBERT FREYBERG,
Acting Observer.

Date of Surveyors' Examination fixed.

Office of the Surveyors' Board,
Government Buildings,
Wellington, 17th February, 1904.

THE next examination of surveyors under "The New Zealand Institute of Surveyors and Board of Examiners Act, 1900," will be held in Wellington, beginning on Tuesday, 22nd March, 1904.

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

"The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900."—
Notice of Cancellation of Registry.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to an application in that behalf made to me by the Otago Hairdressers' Assistants' Industrial Union of Workers, registered No. 280, situated at Dunedin, the registration of that industrial union will be cancelled at the expiration of six weeks from the date hereof unless within the six weeks specified proceedings be commenced by a member or other person interested in or having some claim on the funds of the industrial union to set aside such cancellation, and the same is set aside accordingly.

EDWARD TREGEAR,
Registrar of Industrial Unions.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

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.

Patrick Galina or Galena, late of Caplestone, in the Provincial District of Nelson, baker. Filed on the 10th day of February, 1904.

Thomas O'Neill, late of Rahotu, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, labourer. Filed on the 12th day of February, 1904.

Tong Fie, late of Adam's Flat, in the Provincial District of Otago, hawker. Filed on the 12th day of February, 1904.

Thomas Robinson Poole, late of Ruanui, Taihape, in the Provincial District of Wellington, gardener. Filed on the 16th day of February, 1904.

Angus McCole, late of Karangahake, in the Provincial District of Auckland, miner. Filed on the 16th day of February, 1904.

Arthur Bowers Hinchcliff, late of Hindon, in the Provincial District of Otago, sheep-farmer. Filed on the 16th day of February, 1904.

John Turnbull, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, settler. Filed on the 16th day of February, 1904.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Land in Canterbury Land District surrendered.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 13th February, 1904.

IT is hereby notified that, a surrender of the lease of the undermentioned land having been accepted by the Canterbury Land Board, the said land has thereby reverted to the Crown, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—OXFORD SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Formerly held by	Tenure.
36644	XI.	Frederick Davies	Lease in perpetuity

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Lands in Otago Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that, the leases of the undermentioned lands having been forfeited by resolution of the Otago Land Board, the said lands have thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Lease No.	Formerly held by	Section.	Block.	District.
L.I.P.1007	William Hambly	55	I.	Rock & Pillar.
" 154	James Rennie	42	IV.	Greenvale.
" 92	Stephen Barber	68	VI.	Clarendon.
" 233		65		"
" 961	Robt. Chalmers, jun.	18	VIII.	Warepa.
" 170	William Wilson	14	XI.	Naseby.
" 199	John Andrew . .	11	IX.	Rankleburn.
" 235	John G. Murray	56	I.	Warepa.
" 240	Jas. W. Marshall	30	..	Town of Kōmako.
O.L. 38	Thomas Healey	9	VI.	Naseby.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands.

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Small Grazing-runs in Taranaki Land District for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1904, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903."

For the purposes of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," the runs are classed as "heavy-bush land."

No general rate shall be levied or collected by any local authority from the said runs for the period of four years from the date from which in each case respectively the runs are disposed of, and no local authority shall have power to levy or collect any such rate from such runs during such period.

After the first half-year's rent has been paid by the selector, the further instalments of rent payable by him for a period of four years shall not be demanded; provided that if at any time during the first five years of his occupancy a selector disposes of his interest in the run, the rent so conceded shall be paid by him in full, and thereupon the Land Board may remit such instalments of rent payable by the incoming tenant, not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of rent previously conceded to the selector, as the Board shall think fit.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Pastoral Country.—Heavy-bush Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
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PATEA COUNTY.—TAURAKAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.

	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1	XIII.	3,600	0	0	0	3	7	28 2 6

Rough pastoral land, wholly covered with bush, and being from 300 ft. to 1,580 ft. above sea-level; formation, papa with sandstone and shell-rock; well watered; the timber is chiefly tawa, rimu, rata, and black-birch; a small area of fairly level land north-east of Trig. Station K. Access by Waitotara Valley and Rawhitiroa Roads, the former being a dray-road to within two miles of section; thence by a bridle-road which continues *via* Rawhitiroa Road out to Eltham Railway-station. Distance from Waitotara Railway-station, about thirty-seven miles. (Litho. 120.)

STRATFORD AND PATEA COUNTIES.—TAURAKAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.

	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
3	V.	2,125	0	0	0	3	6	15 18 9

Rough and broken country, heavily timbered with tawai, rata, rimu, tawa, &c., with dense undergrowth. All pastoral country, the soil being poor, resting upon a formation of papa, and well watered; the streams lie mostly in gorges. The height of hills above streams is about 1,000 ft. Distant from Waitotara about fifty miles, by way of the Waitotara Valley Road, which is formed as a dray-road to within about eleven miles of the block. Access may also be had from Eltham, *via* the Rawhitiroa Road, distant about fifty-two miles, twenty of which has been opened for dray traffic, eleven miles being metalled; the remainder of the Rawhitiroa Road has been opened for horse traffic to its junction with the Waitotara Valley Road. (Litho. 132.)

CLIFTON COUNTY.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Up. Waitara	9	XV.	A. R. P. s. d. 2,113 0 0	s. d. 0 4 8	£ s. d. 21 2 8

Rough, broken country, suitable for grazing; all covered with moderately heavy forest, consisting of tawa, tawhero, rimu, rata, &c., with the usual undergrowth of karamu, mahoe, karewa, kiekie, &c. Altitude, from 500 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level. Soil of fair quality, resting upon papa formation; well watered by permanent streams. Access by Ohura Road, which is formed as a dray-road. The section is situated about two miles from the Ohura Road *via* Tawhiwhi Road, which is formed for horse traffic for about one mile. (Litho. 156.)

JAMES MACKENZIE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be opened for lease on application, at this office, on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 1904, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892."

If more than one application is received for the same run on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—MANIOTOTO AND TAIERI COUNTIES.—LOGANBURN AND SERPENTINE SURVEY DISTRICTS.

First-class Pastoral Country.

Small Grazing-run No.	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rental.
	Acres.	s. d.	£ s. d.
248A	4,825	0 4	40 4 2
Weighted with £156 10s. 3d., valuation for improvements.			
248B	2,820	0 5	29 7 6
Weighted with £19 10s. 6d., valuation for improvements.			
248C	3,764	0 6	47 1 0
Weighted with £25 2s. 6d., valuation for improvements.			
248D	2,679	0 6	33 9 9
Weighted with £19 3s. 6d., valuation for improvements.			

Descriptions of Runs.

Run No. 248A: Open pastoral land of good quality. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,400 ft. About 100 acres is now ploughable, in addition to which there is about 350 acres of swamp land, portions of which could be ploughed after being drained. About 1,800 acres is winter grazing country, and this is steep and broken. The remainder of the run consists of easy rolling ridges, and these are good summer grazing lands. The pasture consists of tussock and snow-grass on the hills, with a little English grass about the hut near the Taieri River, which river forms the north-west boundary of the run. The run is well watered by numerous creeks, tributaries of the Taieri River and Logan Burn. Access by good road about twenty-five miles from Ranfurly and Waipiata Railway-stations, and about fourteen miles from Patearoa Township. The Paerau Post-office is situated near the north-east corner of the run. The improvements are: Half of 190 chains of first-class fencing on south boundary—seven white wires, standards, droppers, and posts where required—at 18s. 9d. per chain, £65 6s. 3d.; half of 142 chains of fencing (six wires) on boundary with Run No. 248B, at 5s. 6d. per chain, £19 10s. 6d.; 67 chains subdivisional fencing (six wires), at 5s. 6d. per chain, £18 8s. 6d.; 146 chains of subdivisional fencing in paddocks about the hut, in fair repair but old, at 2s. 6d. per chain, £18 5s.; stone yards, 14 chains of stone walling, hurdles, and gate, £20; hut, £15: total valuation for improvements, £156 10s. 3d.

Run No. 248B: Open pastoral and agricultural land of fair to good quality. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,200 ft. About 450 acres is flat with alluvial soil, about 300 acres of this being ploughable. About 1,000 acres is steep and broken, but, as it lies well to the sun, is suitable for winter grazing. The balance on the tops is composed of easy rolling ridges, but, on account of the altitude, can only be termed summer country. The pasture is tussock and snow-grass. The run is well watered by the Taieri River and Logan Burn, with their tributaries. The access is by good dray-road to the Styx (Tannahill's), thence by about two miles of unformed road, thence by good road about twenty-seven miles altogether to Ranfurly and Waipiata Railway-stations. Improvements: Half of 142 chains of fencing on boundary with Run No. 248A (six plain wires, standards, and posts), at 5s. 6d. per chain, £19 10s. 6d.

Run No. 248C: Open agricultural and pastoral land of good quality. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,100 ft. On this run there is about 1,500 acres of flat land, of which 600 acres is now ploughable, the balance of 900 acres being half swampy and half gravelly land liable to flood, but good grazing country. The balance of the run consists of good sheep-grazing country, although broken and somewhat steep; but, on account of the aspect, it is generally considered fairly safe winter country. The pasture consists of tussock and snow-grass. The run is well watered by the Taieri River, the Logan Burn, and their tributaries. The access is by dray-road to the Styx, thence four miles by unformed road—in all, twenty-nine miles from Ranfurly and Waipiata Railway-stations. Improvements: Half of 28 chains of wire fencing on south boundary with Rocklands Run, at 3s. per chain, £2 2s.; half of 22 chains wire fencing on south boundary with Gladbrook Station, at

5s. 6d. per chain, £3 0s. 6d.; stone hut on Logan Burn, £20: total, £25 2s. 6d.

Run No. 248D: Open pastoral land of fair to good quality. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 3,000 ft. Of this run 1,200 acres is flat, mostly swampy, and liable to flood, but excellent grazing; 300 acres of this area is now ploughable, and selected portions of the swamp could be drained and ploughed. Of the remainder of the run about 600 acres is steep and broken, but may be considered winter grazing country. The tops are flat, and on this account can only be safely regarded as summer country. The pasture is snow-grass and tussock. The run is fairly well watered, the Taieri River forming the north-west boundary. The access is by dray-road to the Styx, thence five miles by unformed road—in all about thirty miles from Ranfurly and Waipiata Railway-stations. Improvements: Half of 230 chains five-wire sheep fence, old and in bad repair, at 2s. 6d. per chain, £14 7s. 6d.; half of 64 chains six-wire-and-barb fence, old and in bad repair, at 3s. per chain, £4 16s.; total, £19 3s. 6d.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands

Small Grazing-runs in Hawke's Bay Land District for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1904, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903."

For the purposes of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," the run in the First Schedule is classed as "heavy-bush land," and the runs in the Second Schedule are classed as "scrub land."

No general rate shall be levied or collected by any local authority from the said runs for the period of four years in the case of heavy-bush land and two years in the case of scrub land from the date from which in each case respectively the runs are disposed of, and no local authority shall have power to levy or collect any such rate from such runs during such period.

After the first half-year's rent has been paid by the selector the further instalments of rent payable by him for a period of four years in the case of heavy-bush land and two years in the case of scrub land shall not be demanded; provided that if at any time during the first five years of his occupancy a selector disposes of his interest in the run the rent so conceded shall be paid by him in full, and thereupon the Land Board may remit such instalments of rent payable by the incoming tenant, not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of rent previously conceded to the selector, as the Board shall think fit.

SCHEDULES.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.

FIRST SCHEDULE.—SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

Cook County.—Tuahu Survey District.

Heavy-bush Land.

Run No.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
S.G.R. 84	2,380 0 0	0 3	14 17 6

Covered throughout by heavy forest, of which about 600 acres in the eastern portion is birch, the remainder being mixed bush with a good deal of tawa and rimu. The run is steep and broken, the only flat land being a narrow strip along the Ruakituri River. Light pumice land; soil medium to poor; well watered. About fifty-two miles to Gisborne and forty miles to Wairoa. Altitude, 500 ft. to 2,600 ft. above sea-level.

SECOND SCHEDULE.—SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

Cook County.

Scrub Land.

Run No.	District.	Area.	Annual Rental.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
62	Hangaroa and Tuahu	3,210 0 0	40 2 6

Undulating and broken country, consisting of light soil on papa formation, watered by numerous small streams. The

Gisborne-Waikaremoana Main Road (formed 6 ft. wide) and the Gisborne-Rotorua Stock-track give access, the distance from Gisborne being forty-two miles *via* Hangaroa Village, there being a dray-road from that point to Gisborne.

Ngatapa District.

Run 76: Area, 2,580 acres. Rent per acre, 4-35d.; half-yearly rental, £23 7s. 8d. This run is mostly open fern and scrub land; 200 to 400 acres mixed bush; soil light, well watered, and frontage to Hangaroa River. The Gisborne-Rotorua Stock-track passes through the run.

Wairoa County.

Run.	Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.			
				A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
80	Tuahu	1	XIII.	2,824	0	0	0	5	25	30	17	9
81	"	1	XIV.	2,950	0	0	0	4	5	27	13	2
82	"	1	XV.	3,471	0	0	0	4	5	32	10	10
83	"	1	XVII.	2,946	0	0	0	5	25	32	4	5

Run 80: About one-third open fern ridges, one-third good mixed bush, and one-third fern and scrub; soil fair to good; some grass; well watered. Run 81: About one-third open fern and scrub ridges, remainder good bush, carrying rimu, totara, &c.; well watered; soil fair. Run 82: Rough pastoral country, a little of which is open fern land, and the remainder heavy bush land, bush consisting of rimu, kahikatea, and totara; well watered; soil poor to fair. Run 83: Heavy bush country, with the exception of a few small clear patches; soil good; well watered; the bush consists of rimu, kahikatea, and some totara. The above lands are situated near Lake Waikaremoana, from thirty to thirty-five miles from Wairoa.

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Suburbs of Pongaroa, Wellington Land District, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 30th day of March, 1904, for leases of the undermentioned lands under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—AKITIO COUNTY.
Suburbs of Pongaroa.

Section.	Area.			Upset Annual Rental.		Term.
	A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.	
5	3	1	0	1	13 0	7 years.
10	5	1	4	0	16 0	"
15	9	0	12	1	16 6	"
16	10	1	4	2	1 0	"

The sections are in the suburbs of Pongaroa Township, which is situated on the main Alfredton-Weber Road at its junction with the Aohanga Gorge Road from Makuri, on the eastern side of the Puketois, and in the centre of a large district selected in small-farm blocks. Pongaroa is distant about thirty miles from Pahiatua, forty-two miles from Eketahuna, forty miles from Dannevirke, and seventeen miles from Aohanga Landing on the east coast.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

- Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque or post-office order for six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 ls. lease fee.
- There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.
- Possession will be given on the day of acceptance of tender.
- The leases shall be for the term of seven years, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.
- The rent shall be payable half-yearly, in advance.
- The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the land comprised in the lease, except

with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

7. The land shall not be cropped or broken up, except with the consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

8. The lessee shall destroy all rabbits on the land, and he shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

9. The lessee shall prevent the spread and growth of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar upon the land comprised in the lease; and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

10. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee 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.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Okauia Settlement, Auckland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 6th day of April, 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.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—PIAKO COUNTY.—TAPAPA SURVEY DISTRICT.
Okauia Settlement.

Section.	Block.	Area.			Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
		A.	R.	P.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
1	IV.	325	0	0	£ 0 4 0	£ 32 10 0

The section comprises 285 acres good grass clearing, balance mixed forest; good site for house, yards, &c.; never-failing streams of water. Fronts Tauranga Road, about six miles from Matamata.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Pomahaka Downs Settlement, Otago Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 15th February, 1904.

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 March, 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.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—CLUTHA COUNTY.—POMAHAKA SURVEY DISTRICT.
Pomahaka Downs Settlement.

Section.	Block.	Area.			Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per cent.		Valuation for Improvements.
		A.	R.	P.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rental.	
5	XIII.	232	1	8	3 0	£ 17 8 5	£ 3 0 0
7	"	307	2	4	2 6	19 4 6	..
8	"	310	1	5	3 4-5	26 3 7	14 0 0
9	"	271	0	24	3 4-5	22 17 7	71 0 0
12	"	230	1	0	3 3	18 14 2	53 14 0
13	"	253	2	22	3 3	20 12 2	51 3 0
21	"	319	0	38	3 0	23 19 0	37 10 0
4	XIV.	316	1	6	3 0	23 14 5	..
16, 17	"	320	0	30	3 3	26 0 4	40 16 0

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Barnego Settlement, Otago Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 15th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 1904.

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.—BRUCE COUNTY.—HILLEND SURVEY DISTRICT.

Barnego Settlement.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
16A	II.	A. R. P. 550 2 14	s. d. 1 10-5	£ s. d. 25 16 2

Weighted with £76 16s. valuation for improvements.

Mixed agricultural and pastoral land, at an altitude varying from 50 ft. to 500 ft. above sea-level. Ridges and steep gullies. This section is distant from Balclutha Railway-station about four miles along a formed road. The improvements which go with the land consist of half-value of 54 chains of gorse and briar hedge on the northern boundary fronting Section 13A, full value of 26 chains of gorse and briar hedge along the road frontage (part of north boundary), half-value of 56 chains of wire fencing on the eastern boundary, half-value of 88 chains of wire fencing on the south-eastern boundary fronting Section 17A, and the gate at the north-eastern corner, all valued at £32 12s. The improvements which do not go with the land, and which must be paid for by the applicant, consist of stable and cow-shed, dip and yards, two-roomed house with brick chimney, 39 chains of fencing on road-line boundary, 20 chains of subdivision fencing, the whole valued at £76 16s.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 16th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Wednesday, the 30th day of March, 1904, under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMARINO COUNTY.

Rangipo-Waiiau-Murimotu Blocks.

Survey District.	Run No.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
Ruapehu ..) Kaimanawa ..) Karioi ..) Moawhango ..)	2	31,841 0 0	398 0 3	21 years.

Locality and Description of Run.

This run is situated in the Rangipo-Waiiau-Murimotu Blocks, in the vicinities of Karioi and Waiouru, and is intersected by the main coach-road from Pipiriki to Tokaanu and the proposed main trunk railway-line. The access is from Pipiriki, which is about thirty-five miles distant by coach-road. The run comprises for the most part flat and undulating tussock country, with swamps in places. The soil is of semi-volcanic character, resting on pumiceous formation. The run is well watered. The improvements, which are included in the rental, are as follow: Manager's house, 32 ft. by 30 ft., seven rooms and scullery; shearers' house, 14 ft. by 47 ft.; shearers' cookhouse, 14½ ft. by 25 ft.; woolpressing shed, 32 ft. by 45½ ft.; wool-store, 23 ft. by 50 ft.; shearing-shed, 31 ft. by 90 ft.; potaka, 18½ ft. by 12½ ft.; men's house, 17½ ft. by 27½ ft.; sheep-yards, wool-scouring plant, fencing: total value, £415.

Plans and full particulars as to terms and conditions of lease may be obtained at this office.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 23rd January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 26th day of February, 1904, at 11 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Class I.

Run No. 154A, Southland County: Area, 1,008 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £4 4s.

Run No. 302, Southland County: Area, 7,050 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £15.

Run No. 391, Southland County: Area, 38,220 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £35.

Run No. 423A, Southland County: Area, 6,000 acres; term, sixteen years; upset annual rental, £5.

Runs Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 (grouped), Lake County: Area, 39,100 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £50.

Run No. 424, Southland County: Area, 2,410 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £4 6s.

DESCRIPTIONS OF RUNS.

Run No. 154A: Area, 1,008 acres; situated in Taringatura District, Southland County, about six miles by good road from Dipton Railway-station. Country hilly and broken, ranging in altitude from 600 ft. to 1,800 ft. above sea-level. Fairly well grassed in places with white tussock, but the larger area is cold and grassed with snow-tussock.

Run No. 302: Area, 7,050 acres; situated in Eyre District, Southland County, about seven miles by fair road from Five Rivers Railway-station. Country rough, hilly, and broken, ranging in altitude from 1,500 ft. to 4,000 ft. above sea-level; poorly grassed, principally with rough snow-tussock. Considerable areas are covered with manuka scrub and stunted birch.

Run No. 391: Area, 38,220 acres; situated in Lincoln District, Southland County, about twelve miles by good road from Mossburn Railway-station. Hilly to mountainous country, very rough and broken, ranging in altitude from 1,300 ft. to 6,500 ft. above sea-level; the portion along the banks of the Oreti River is fairly well grassed in places with white tussock. The vegetation is poor on the high ground, consisting principally of coarse snow-tussock; on large areas the vegetation is completely gone, loose running shingle having taken its place, and in the gullies considerable areas of stunted birch are to be found.

Run No. 423A: Area, 6,000 acres; situated in Nokomai District, Southland County, about seventeen miles from Waikaka Township, twelve miles of which is only a mountain riding-track—or twelve miles from Parawa Railway-station, eight of which is a fair road, the balance only a mountain track. The country is very inaccessible, mostly high, ranging from 1,500 ft. to 4,800 ft. above sea-level; poorly grassed with snow-tussock, and covered in many places with stunted boxwood.

Runs Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 (grouped): Area, 39,100 acres; situated in Coneburn, Mid Wakatipu, North Eyre, and South Wakatipu Districts, Lake County, ten miles by water from Kingston; high, rough, and mountainous country, ranging in altitude from 1,100 ft. to 6,500 ft. above sea-level. The country, although high and broken, has a sunny aspect, and is fairly well grassed with white and snow tussock; but on the highest top there is little vegetation, and on the steep faces there is loose running shingle.

Run No. 424: Area, 2,410 acres; situated in New River Hundred, Southland County, eight miles from Invercargill, immediately on the coast between New River and Waimatuku Stream. The country is a waste of sand, with a little white tussock, interspersed on the more damp and sheltered spots with flax. Altitude, from sea-level to about 50 ft.

TERMS OF SALE.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1905.

Valuations for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Invercargill, before the licensees will be let into possession.

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

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

JOHN HAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Wellington Land District for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 9th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders will be received at this office up to noon on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1904, for leases of the undermentioned reserves under the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881."

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
<i>Raetihi Township.</i>			
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
286	..	6 0 26	0 15 6
Term, year to year.			
<i>Bunnythorpe Township.</i>			
1356	..	0 3 15	0 10 0
Term, seven years.			
<i>Mangaone Survey District.</i>			
32	IX.	10 0 20	4 10 0
Term, year to year.			
33	V.	5 3 25	2 0 0
Term, seven years.			
8	V.	44 1 0	6 12 9
Term, seven years.			
<i>Ohau Township.</i>			
22, 23	..	0 3 31	2 17 0
Term, five years.			
<i>Rangiwahia Township.</i>			
84	..	1 0 0	0 10 0*
Term, seven years.			
* From commencement of fourth year of term.			
<i>Mangahao Survey District.</i>			
23	VII.	9 0 0	6 10 0
Term, five years.			
<i>Taihape Township.</i>			
10	I.	0 1 0	2 0 0
Term, fourteen years.			

DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.

SECTION 286, Raetihi Township, is all flat land, somewhat swampy in places. All the larger trees have been milled, only the smaller ones and the undergrowth are left. There is a formed dray-road to the land.

Section 1356, Bunnythorpe Township, is all flat, with good soil on gravel formation, and is subject to floods. There are a few tawa and matai, with usual undergrowth. The section is situated close to the Bunnythorpe Railway-station.

Section 32, Block IX., Mangaone, is situated in the Parkville Special Settlement, on the Central Road. The access is from Eketahuna, which is about two miles distant by metalled road. The section comprises flat land, which has been felled and grassed. The soil is of a clayey nature, resting on a papa formation. The section is fairly well watered by a small creek. The improvements comprise the felling and grassing of the whole area, 10 chains of fencing, and a whare out of repair.

Section 33, Block V., Mangaone, is situated on the bank of the Makakahi River, adjoining the Township of Parkville. The access is from Eketahuna, which is about one mile distant by metalled road. The section comprises flat land. The soil is alluvial, on a papa formation. The forest is partly green and partly dead bush, comprising tawa, kahikatea, rimu, rewarewa, rata, &c., with a slight undergrowth of lawyer, wineberry, ferns, &c.

Section 8, Block V., Mangaone, is situated on the Parkville Central Road, and is contiguous to Parkville Township. The access is from Eketahuna, which is about a mile and a half distant by metalled road. The section comprises hilly

land intersected by deep gullies. The access to major portion of land is somewhat difficult owing to deep creek intervening. The soil is of a clayey nature, resting on papa formation. The forest is mostly burned; there are a few dry and green kahikatea, rimu, rewarewa, &c., with usual undergrowth.

Sections 22 and 23, Ohau Township, are situated on the main road, and are all flat and in English grasses. The improvements comprise stumping, ploughing, grassing, and 8 chains of fencing.

Section 84, Rangiwahia Township, comprises part bush and part open land covered with ragwort.

Section 23, Block VII., Mangahao, is situated on Ridge Road, and adjoins Scarborough suburbs. The access is from Pahiatua Railway-station, which is about one mile distant. The section comprises easy-sloping land with good site for homestead on road-frontage. The whole is grassed and ring-fenced. The improvements comprise 9 acres felled and grassed, 2 acres stumped, 35 chains of fencing (out of repair), shelter trees, cowshed (out of repair).

Section 10, Block I., Taihape Township, is situated on the main street. There is a good metalled road with formed footpaths to the section, which comprises all flat land in grass. A stream runs through it; there is a good building-site near the road. The soil is of good quality, resting on papa formation. The section is well watered. The improvements comprise 3½ chains of fencing.

Plans containing full particulars as to terms and conditions of lease may be obtained at this office.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Hokitika, 21st January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Monday, the 29th day of February, 1904, at 11 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.

RUN 48, Moeraki River: Area, 9,150 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £9 15s. Situated on Moeraki River. Cattle-feed country; undulating surface. Commences half a mile back from sea-beach. Accessible by the sea-beach, Moeraki River bed, Moeraki Road, and Main South Road.

Run 70, Haast and Waita Rivers: Area, 12,500 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £12 10s. Situated between Haast and Waita Rivers. Fine cattle-feed; bush slopes and spurs, Matakaitaki Range; good, dry, flat timbered lands between foot of range and Tawerikiti Swamp. Access by Haast River bed and Main South Road.

Run 77, Cascade Valley: Area, 9,500 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £9 10s. Situated in the Upper Cascade River Valley. Access by Jackson's River to Cascade Track. Bush feed; cattle country; principally on hill slopes and in river valley. Altitude, 400 ft.

Run 119, Makawhio River: Area, 5,000 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £5. Situated in Upper Makawhio River Valley; includes all the lower slopes and terraces on both banks of river. Heavily timbered; cattle-feed underscrub. Access by Makawhio River bed.

TERMS OF SALE.

Possession will be given on 1st March, 1905.

Valuation for improvements (if any) must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Hokitika, before the licensee will be let into possession.

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

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

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

G. J. ROBERTS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 4th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 26th day of February, 1904, at 11 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Runs Nos. 170, 170A, 170B, 170C, 170D, 170E, and 353B (grouped), Tuapeka and Maniototo Counties (Class II.): Area, 69,000 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £575.

Runs Nos. 215, 253, 368, and 478 (grouped), Tuapeka and Southland Counties (Class II.): Area, 93,640 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £780.

Runs Nos. 199A and 199B (grouped), Tuapeka and Vincent Counties (Class I.): Area, 47,850 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £400.

Sections 18, 20, 21, 22, 26, and 27 (grouped), Block VII., Table Hill District, Tuapeka and Bruce Counties (Class II.): Area, 1,142 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £23 16s.

Sections 1 and 18 to 20 (grouped), Block IV., Crookston District, Tuapeka County (Class II.): Area, 213 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £2.

Sections 35 to 38, Block IV.; 12 and 17, Block XVII. (grouped), Crookston District, Tuapeka County (Class II.): Area, 720 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £9.

Sections 18 and 19, Block XVII. (grouped), Crookston District, Tuapeka County (Class II.): Area, 197 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £2 10s.

Run No. 446, Clutha County (Class II.): Area, 2,500 acres; term, twenty-one years; upset annual rental, £25.

Possession of above runs will be given on the 1st March, 1905.

Runs Nos. 479 and 480 (grouped), Tuapeka County (Class I.): Area, 8,000 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25; valuation for improvements, £189. Possession of this run will be given on day of sale.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892." Valuations for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Dunedin, before the licensees will be let into possession. Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license fee, £1 1s., on fall of the hammer.

Localities and Descriptions of Runs.

Runs Nos. 170, 170A, 170B, 170C, 170D, 170E, and 353B (grouped): These runs are situated about thirteen miles from Lawrence and near the Beaumont Bridge over the Clutha River. The frontage extends about seven miles up stream, thence it runs back over the Lammerlaw Range to the head-waters of the Teviot and Taieri Rivers, upwards of 33,000 acres being on the watershed of these streams, the balance sloping by easy ridges to the Clutha River. The front part may be described as well grassed throughout where the country is not covered with scrub. This scrub is estimated to cover about 4,000 acres, leaving upwards of 20,000 acres of first-class grazing country.

Runs Nos. 368, 215, 253, and 478 (grouped): These runs contain a variety of country, from the high cold tops of Mounts Bengier and Whitecomb to the comparatively warm and sheltered sunny faces along the Pomahaka River and its branches. The Mount Bengier portion is fairly well grassed with snow-grass on the higher levels and with good silver-tussock on the lower country. This remark may also apply to portion of the Whitecomb Block, the fine tussock being apparently a better class of feed than on the opposite side of the river, as the sheep winter well on it. Improvements on Run No. 478 are valued at £156.

Runs Nos. 199A and 199B (grouped): These runs are situated on both sides of the Teviot River, the lower (or west) side being about five miles from the junction of this river with the Clutha and extending back to the outlet of the Dismal Swamp (Lake Onslow). A few of the higher creeks are swampy and dangerous, and the higher portions of the runs are bleak and cold. The lower part is fairly good sheep country, and is capable of carrying a certain number of sheep all the year round.

Sections 18, 20, 21, 22, 26, and 27, Block VII., Table Hill Survey District: These sections are situated about three miles south-east of Waitahuna. They are rough and broken, and covered in parts with fern. The land is fairly good, growing a good tussock, and the ferny portions could be

easily burned and grassed. The water-races passing through the block do not improve it for stock purposes. A few necessary small bridges would, however, obviate this objection.

Sections 1 and 18 to 20, Block IV., Crookston Survey District: These sections are somewhat steep and ferny, but warm and well sheltered. Situated about one mile from Rae's Junction.

Sections 35 to 38, Block IV., and 12 and 17, Block XVII., Crookston Survey District: This block of sections consists of a leading high ridge with broken spurs on each side, unsuitable for cultivation, mostly covered with fern, with patches of good tussock on some of the faces. Situated about a mile from Rae's Junction.

Sections 18 and 19, Block XVII., Crookston Survey District: The aspect and position of these sections are good, but the land is mostly covered with fern, with a few patches of good tussock. Situated about one mile from Rae's Junction.

Run No. 446: This run is situated about twelve miles from Papatowai, or the outlet of the Tahakopa River, seventeen miles from Owaka Railway-station. The entrance is by good road for about eight miles, thence by a rough bush pack-track. The run can also be reached from the Mokoreta Valley, say, ten miles. It is scrubby open country surrounded with bush. On some of the flats and old clearings the grass is poor, but the whole country is capable of improvement by scrubbing and grassing.

Runs Nos. 479 and 480 (grouped): These runs are distant about four miles from Roxburgh. They lie westward from the top of Mount Bengier towards the Pomahaka River. The aspect and altitude show that this is all practically summer country, and best adapted for working with holdings at a lower level. The feed consists of snow-grass on the high land, with a finer tussock on the lower faces.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Timber in Wellington Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 9th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the timber on the undermentioned Crown land will be offered for sale by public auction in one lot at this office on Tuesday, the 22nd day of March, 1904.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Part Section 48, Block VII., Pohangina Survey District;
Area, about 62½ acres.

TOTARA: About 613 trees, containing about 783,686 superficial feet.

Matai: About 234 trees, containing about 126,629 superficial feet.

White-pine: About four trees, containing about 6,469 superficial feet.

Rimu: One tree, containing about 600 superficial feet.

Upset price, £1,190.

TERMS OF SALE.

The timber is offered subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and of the timber regulations made thereunder.

The purchaser shall pay the purchase-money in four equal instalments, one-fourth and £1 1s. license fee being deposited on the fall of the hammer, one-fourth on the 1st July, 1904, one-fourth on the 1st January, 1905, and the remaining one-fourth on the 1st July, 1905.

The first payment shall be made by cash or marked cheque. Approved promissory notes payable on demand to be given for the remaining three-fourths of the purchase-money, when the license to enter upon the land will be issued. They will be presented for payment on the dates stated above, but the right of presenting them at earlier dates is reserved if at any time more than one-fourth, one-half, or three-fourths of timber respectively has been cut out previous to the dates mentioned.

The purchaser of the lot shall have the right to cut and remove the timber on the land specified in the above Schedule during a period of three years from the date of sale.

The provisions of the timber regulations relative to damage to forest by fires, injury to young growth, and cutting of timber less than 12 in. in diameter, will be strictly enforced.

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

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs in Wellington Land District for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 9th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Monday, the 14th day of March, 1904, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1882," and "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903."

For the purposes of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," the runs are classed as "heavy-bush land."

No general rate shall be levied or collected by any local authority from the said runs for the period of four years from the date from which in each case respectively they are disposed of, and no local authority shall have power to levy or collect any such rate from such runs during such period.

After the first half-year's rent has been paid by the selector the further instalments of rent payable by him for a period of four years shall not be demanded; provided that if at any time during the first five years of his occupancy a selector disposes of his interest in the run the rent so conceded shall be paid by him in full, and thereupon the Land Board may remit such instalments of rent payable by the incoming tenant, not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of rent previously conceded to the selector, as the Board shall think fit.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
First-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Block	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
WANGANUI COUNTY.—KAITIEKE SURVEY DISTRICT.—KAITIEKE BLOCK.				
2	VI.	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
2	VII.	500 0 0	1 0	12 10 0
3	"	601 2 0	0 10 5	13 3 2
4	"	700 0 0	0 9	13 2 6
5	"	700 0 0	0 9	13 2 6
6	"	885 0 0	0 9	16 11 11
2	X.	300 0 0	1 0	7 10 0
35	"	272 0 0	1 0	6 16 0
39	"	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
40	"	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
41	"	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
42	"	800 0 0	0 9	15 0 0
1	XI.	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
2	"	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
4	"	550 0 0	1 0	13 15 0
5	"	805 0 0	0 10 5	17 12 2
6	"	805 0 0	0 9	15 1 11
1	XIV.	400 0 0	1 0	10 0 0
2	"	500 0 0	1 0	12 10 0

Section.	Block	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
PATEA COUNTY.—MOMOHAKI SURVEY DISTRICT.—TE NGAUWA BLOCK.				
5	IX.	885 0 0	0 6 75	12 8 11
6	"	661 0 0	0 6 75	9 5 11

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 25th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Friday, the 26th day of February, 1904, under the provisions of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892."

If more than one application is received for the same run on the same day the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Run, Section, Block, and Survey District.	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
<i>Maniototo County.</i>			
Run No. 226, and Section 86, Block I., St. Bathans	A. R. P. 5,358 0 0	s. d. 0 2 1/4	£ s. d. 25 2 4
Run 226 consists of open, broken, pastoral land, not ploughable, with fair soil of a gravelly nature. Access by good road, half of which is unfenced. Situated about three miles and a half from St. Bathans Post-office and School. Altitude, 1,800 ft. to 5,000 ft. Improvements, half-value of 276 chains fencing on west and north-west boundaries, at 4s. per chain, £27 12s. Section 86 is open, level, and undulating land, mostly ploughable, 50 acres of frontage being good land. Situated about two miles from St. Bathans. Improvements consist of woolshed, sheep-yards, and dip, valued at £100. Total valuation for improvements, £127 12s.			
Run No. 226f, and Section 92, Block I., St. Bathans	A. R. P. 3,466 3 27	s. d. 0 2	£ s. d. 14 8 11
Run No. 226f is similar to Run No. 226. Improvements, half-value of 346 chains fencing on west boundary, at 4s. per chain, £34 12s.; half-value of 44 chains fencing on south-west boundary, at 6s. 6d. per chain, £7 3s. Section 92 is open, level, gravelly land with good soil; has been ploughed. About one mile and three-quarters from St. Bathans. Altitude, 1,800 ft. Improvements, 60 chains of fencing along main road, at 6s. per chain, £18; 82 chains along Dunstan Creek, at 5s. per chain, £20 10s.; 15 chains of fencing on west boundary, at 5s. per chain, £3 15s. Total valuation for improvements, £84.			

Tuapeka County.

Section.	Block	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Sections 17, 18, and 19, Block IX., Rankleburn, and Section 31, Block IV., Glenkenich		A. R. P. 792 1 13	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 9 18 0
Open agricultural and pastoral land. The soil is a clay loam on clay subsoil; watered. Broken by somewhat steep gullies in which are occasional patches of bush; fairly good tussock on upper ridges, lower ridges being covered with fern. Altitude, from 650 ft. to 2,000 ft.				

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Canterbury Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 1st February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

If more than one application is received for the allotment on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.—TARAWAHI HAMLET.
Workman's Home Allotment.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
1, 2, 3	XV.	A. R. P. 0 3 0	£ s. d. 7 0 8	£ s. d. 2 12 9

This allotment is situated at the north-eastern end of the Tarawahi Hamlet, fronting on Somerfield and Young Streets, about 25 chains westward from Colombo Road, and about two miles and a quarter distant from the Christchurch Post-office. It consists of flat agricultural land of excellent quality, with black loamy soil on clay subsoil. The value of the fencing on part of the boundary of the allotment is included in the price of the land.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office.

Christchurch, 11th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, for the terms and at the upset annual rentals stated, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Wednesday, the 24th day of February, 1904, at 11 a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

In the event of any of the runs not being disposed of at auction they will immediately thereafter be open for lease on application at the District Lands and Survey Offices, Christchurch and Timaru.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.
Class I.

Run No.	Name of Run.	County.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
			Acres.	£ s.	Yrs.
44	Bluecliffs ..	Waimate..	17,000	375 0	14
50	Mount Studholme	" ..	6,300	180 0	10
238	Yellow Hill ..	" ..	653	31 15	10

Locality and Description of Runs.

RUN 44, BLUECLIFFS.

This run is situate on the western slopes of the Hunters Hills, between the summit and the River Waihao, about twenty-three miles distant from St. Andrew's Railway-station, at an altitude of from 2,000 ft. to 5,000 ft. above sea-level. It comprises high spurs, falling steeply into the creeks, but becoming less rugged as they approach the Waihao River, mostly covered with tussock, snow-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about twenty-four miles and three-quarters of boundary and subdivision fencing, and two 12 ft. by 12 ft. wood and iron huts. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £1,277.

RUN 50, MOUNT STUDHOLME.

This run is situate on the western side of the Hunters Hills, and slopes down to the Waihao River, about six miles distant from the Waimate Railway-station, at an altitude of from 1,400 ft. to 3,560 ft. above sea-level. It comprises spurs, falling towards the creeks and the Waihao River, mostly covered with tussock, snow-grass, and other native grasses. The improvements consist of about nine miles and a half of boundary and subdivision fencing, and an iron hut. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £690.

RUN 238, YELLOW HILL.

This run is situated in the Pentland Hills District, adjacent to the Pentland Hills Road, about twelve miles north-westerly from the Waihao Forks Railway-station, and comprises rough, hilly, tussock, pastoral land. There are no improvements on this run.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the runs will be given to the purchasers of the licenses on the 1st March, 1904.

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

3. The licenses shall be dated on the 1st March, 1904, and shall in each case be for the years specified above from that date.

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

- (1.) That if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever, directly or indirectly, commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;
- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license

(3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner;

(4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground; and

(5.) That during the months of December to June, inclusive, or such other months, not exceeding altogether seven in any one year, as the Commissioner shall from time to time determine, the licensee shall not burn the grass on the land comprised in the license.

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

6. One half-year's rent and a license fee of £1 1s. shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license, the half-year's rent paid on the fall of the hammer being for the half-year commencing on the 1st March, 1904. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license. The runs are sold subject to the rights of the present licensees to valuation for improvements in terms of section 207 of "The Land Act, 1892," and to the other provisions of the Land Acts relating to improvements effected by licensees, but no licensee shall be entitled to valuation for improvements effected upon the forest reserves included in this license. Where fences form the boundary between Crown lands offered for license and freehold lands, the purchaser of such license will be liable to the provisions of any law now or hereafter in force relating to boundary-fences. Valuations for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Christchurch, before the licensees will be let into possession.

DECLARATION.

I, of , do solemnly and sincerely declare—

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

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

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

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

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

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

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Otago Land District for Sale under Section 115 of "The Land Act, 1892."

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 4th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 240 of "The Land Act, 1892," that the undermentioned land will be disposed of, under section 115 of the said Act, on and after Tuesday, the 5th day of April, 1904.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

PART of Section 2, Block I., Pomahaka Survey District
Estimated area, 14 acres.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Torere Village, Wellington Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 4th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned reserves will be offered for lease by public auction, at the Assembly Rooms, Mangaweka, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1904, under the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881."

In the event of the lands not being disposed of at auction, they will immediately thereafter be open for lease on application, upon the same terms, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT. — RANGITIKEI COUNTY. — TORERE VILLAGE.

Section.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
3	0 1 0	0 12 6	7 years.
7	0 1 0	0 7 6	"
19	0 1 0	0 7 6	"
24	0 2 0	0 12 6	"
33	1 0 0	1 0 0	"

Torere Village is situated in the Awarua Block, on the left bank of the Hautapu River, between Mangaweka and Taihape. The access is either from the latter township, which is about four miles distant, or from Mangaweka, which is about twelve miles distant by main coach-road; thence by Torere Road, on opposite side of river. All of the above reserves are level; the bush has been felled, and the land laid down in good English grasses. The back and front lines of Section 7 are fenced.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. A deposit of six months' rent, together with £1 ls. lease fee, must be paid on the fall of the hammer.
2. There are no restrictions or limitations as to the number of sections which one person may lease, and no declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor for any other cause.
3. Possession will be given on the day of sale.
4. The leases shall be for the term of years as specified above, but shall be subject to termination by twelve months' notice in the event of the land being required by the Government.
5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance.
6. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the land comprised in the lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
7. The 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.
8. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee shall fail to fulfil any of the conditions of the said lease within thirty days after the date on which the same ought to be fulfilled.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in the Town of Reefton, Nelson Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 4th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned municipal reserves in the Town of Reefton will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands Office, Reefton, for a term of fourteen years, at noon, on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904, under the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881."

In the event of any of the reserves not being disposed of at auction, they will remain open thereafter for lease on application at the upset annual rentals stated.

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SCHEDULE.
NELSON LAND DISTRICT.—TOWN OF REEFTON.

No. of Section.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	No. of Section.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
1090	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1233	0 1 0-3	0 5 0
1091	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1234	0 1 10	0 5 0
1092	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1235	0 1 0-3	0 5 0
1093	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1236	0 1 0-3	0 5 0
1094	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1237	0 1 0-3	0 5 0
1095	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1238	0 1 0-3	0 5 0
1096	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1239	0 1 0-3	0 5 0
1097	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1240	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1098	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1241	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1099	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1242	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1100	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1243	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1101	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1244	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1102	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1245	0 0 36	0 5 0
1103	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1246	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1104	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1247	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1105	0 1 10	0 5 0	1248	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1106	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1249	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1107	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1250	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1108	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1251	0 0 36	0 5 0
1118	0 1 10	0 5 0	1252	0 0 28-8	0 10 0
1119	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1253	0 0 28-8	0 10 0
1120	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1254	0 0 28-8	0 10 0
1121	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1255	0 0 28-8	0 10 0
1122	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1256	0 0 28-8	0 10 0
1123	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1257	0 0 37-5	0 10 0
1124	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1289	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1125	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1290	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1126	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1291	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1127	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1292	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1128	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1293	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1129	0 1 10	0 10 0	1294	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1167	0 1 10	0 10 0	1295	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1168	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1296	0 0 37-5	0 5 0
1169	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1297	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1170	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1298	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1171	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1299	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1172	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1300	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1173	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1301	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1174	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1302	0 0 36	0 5 0
1175	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1303	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1176	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1304	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1177	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1305	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1178	0 1 10	0 5 0	1306	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1179	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1307	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
*1180			1308	0 0 36	0 5 0
*1181	0 2 0-6	1 0 0	1309	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
†1228	0 1 10	0 10 0	1310	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1229	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1311	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1230	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1312	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1231	0 1 0-3	0 5 0	1313	0 0 28-8	0 5 0
1232	0 1 0-3	0 5 0			

* Weighted with £14, valuation for improvements, consisting of clearing and fencing. † Weighted with £65, valuation for improvements, consisting of cottage and fencing.

A deposit of half-year's rent, £1 ls. lease-fee, and amount of valuation of improvements (if any) must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

Full particulars and sale plans can be obtained at the District Land Offices, Nelson, Reefton, and Westport, and at the post-offices throughout the district.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. One half-year's rent, together with £1 ls. lease fee, must be paid on the fall of the hammer.
2. Possession will be given on the day of sale.
3. Each lease will be for a term of fourteen years.
4. 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.
5. The rent shall be payable half-yearly, in advance, free of all deductions whatsoever.
6. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee shall fail to fulfil any of the conditions of the said lease within thirty days after the date on which the same ought to be fulfilled.
7. 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.

W. G. MURRAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Rosewill Settlement, Canterbury Land District, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 18th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, and for selection as small grazing-runs, at the District Lands and Survey Offices, Christchurch and Timaru, on Monday, the 7th day of March, 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 or run on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—MACKENZIE AND LEVELS COUNTIES.—OPAWA, TENGAWAI, PAREORA, AND AROWHENUA SURVEY DISTRICTS.

Rosewill Settlement.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half yearly Rent.

GROUP C—SUBURBAN SECTIONS.

Opawa Survey District.

Subdivision I.

	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
2	III.	5	0	0	8	0	1	0	0
3	"	10	0	0	8	0	2	0	0
4	"	10	0	0	8	0	2	0	0

Subdivision II.

5	III.	20	0	9	8	0	4	0	3
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GROUP A.—ORDINARY FARMS.

Subdivision III.

6	III.	75	2	0	9	0	17	1	8
7	"	68	1	0	9	0	15	8	10
8	"	73	1	0	9	6	17	9	10

Subdivision IV.

9	III.	135	3	0	8	0	27	6	5
10	"	130	1	0	7	6	24	11	9
11	"	114	1	0	7	9	22	5	7
12	IV.	104	3	0	7	3	19	2	5

Subdivision V.

13	VII.	350	0	0	5	6	48	6	11
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Subdivision VI.

15	VII.	229	0	0	6	3	35	18	6
16	"	232	0	0	6	6	46	0	1

Subdivision VII.

14	VII.	528	0	0	5	9	76	4	8
18	"	630	0	0	6	0	94	10	0
22	"	620	0	0	5	9	89	10	3

Subdivision VIII.

17	III.	319	0	0	8	0	63	16	0
19	IV.	312	2	0	6	6	50	19	7
21	"	360	0	0	5	9	51	19	6
23	VIII.	357	0	0	6	3	56	0	2

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £12, repayable in seven years by half-yearly instalments of £1 0s. 9d. Total half-yearly, £64 16s. 9d.

Subdivision IX.

24	VIII.	649	0	0	6	6	106	5	6
25	"	440	0	0	6	0	66	11	0

Subdivision X.

26	VIII.	334	0	0	5	3	43	16	9
35	"	235	2	0	8	0	47	7	11
36	"	281	3	0	7	0	49	13	3
37	"	269	0	0	7	0	47	8	3
38	"	269	0	0	7	0	47	8	3
39	"	330	2	0	6	9	55	19	7

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £100, repayable in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £6 9s. 6d. Total half-yearly, £63 17s. 5d.

Subdivision XI.

28	XI.	286	0	0	7	0	50	8	2
29	VII.	338	2	0	5	6	46	10	11

Subdivision XII.

30	VII.	184	2	0	6	6	30	2	0
32	"	187	0	0	6	0	28	5	9

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

GROUP A.—ORDINARY FARMS—continued.

Subdivision XIII.

	A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
40	XII.	263	2	0	5	3	34	15	5
41	"	223	0	0	4	9	26	12	0

Subdivision XIV.

34	XI.	673	0	0	3	9	63	10	4
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Subdivision XV.

Pareora Survey District.

44A	VIII.	36	0	0	3	6	3	3	0
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Subdivision XVI.

44B	VIII.	12	0	0	2	6	0	15	0
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Subdivision XVII.

44	V.	346	0	0	5	1	44	2	4
45	"	190	0	0	9	1	43	4	6

Subdivision XVIII.

46	VI.	210	0	0	9	1	47	15	6
47	II.	810	2	0	7	7	58	19	11
48	VI.	298	0	0	7	8	57	11	1
50	"	301	0	0	7	7	57	3	10

Subdivision XIX.

49	VI.	396	2	0	8	1	80	5	10
							25	18	0*

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £400, repayable in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £25 18s. Total half-yearly, £106 3s. 10d.

Subdivision XX.

51	II.	293	1	0	9	10	72	4	4
56	"	285	2	0	11	7	32	15	11
57	III.	258	2	0	11	1	71	14	9

Subdivision XXI.

52	II.	211	2	0	9	2	48	15	7
53	"	160	0	0	11	7	46	8	0
54	"	163	0	0	11	7	47	5	5
55	"	164	2	0	11	7	47	14	2
58	"	201	1	0	8	8	43	18	0
59	II., VI.	232	3	0	8	5	49	6	4
60	II.	339	0	0	6	7	55	18	9

Subdivision XXII.

*Opawa and †Pareora Survey Districts.

61	{ *XII. †IX. }	714	0	0	5	8	101	6	0
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Opawa Survey District.

65	..	473	0	0	7	5	87	16	1
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Subdivision XXIII.

*Opawa and †Pareora Survey Districts.

62	{ *XII. †IX. }	475	0	0	5	8	67	7	10
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Pareora Survey District.

64	IX.	354	0	0	7	3	64	12	2
67	"	347	0	0	7	5	64	8	3

Subdivision XXIV.

66	IX.	45	0	0	3	0	3	8	8
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Subdivision XXV.

63	IX.	292	2	0	6	6	47	17	11
76	"	185	2	0	6	6	30	7	7
78	"	182	2	0	9	0	41	5	10
79	"	220	2	0	6	2	34	0	10
80	XIII.	257	0	0	6	7	42	14	7

Subdivision XXVI.

68	XIII.	253	2	0	5	11	37	11	0
69	"	228	2	0	5	11	33	17	0*
70	"	323	0	0	5	8	45	16	7
81	"	339	0	0	5	9	48	14	8

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £100, repayable in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £6 9s. 6d. Total half-yearly, £44 0s. 6d.

Subdivision XXVII.

71	IX.	51	0	0	6	2	7	7	6
72	"	54	0	0	6	2	8	6	9
73	"	59	0	0	6	3	9	5	11
74	"	62	0	0	7	4	11	9	5

Subdivision XXVIII.

75	IX.	86	0	0	6	6	14	1	8
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Subdivision XXIX.

77	IX.	626	0	0	5	0	79	0	8
							67	19	9*

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £1,050, repayable in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £67 19s. 9d. Total half-yearly, £147 0s. 5d.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
GROUP A—ORDINARY FARMS—continued.				
<i>Pareora Survey District—continued.</i>				
Subdivision XXX.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
82	IX., X.	618 0 0	5 0·6	78 0 6
83	"	879 0 0	4 0·6	89 0 0
84	"	580 0 0	5 0·6	73 4 6
85	X., XV.	797 0 0	4 0·6	80 14 0
Subdivision XXXI.				
86	X.	176 0 0	11 10·2	52 2 10
87	"	218 0 0	11 10·2	64 11 8
88	"	246 0 0	11 10·2	9 14 3*
Subdivision XXXII.				
89	X.	150 0 0	8 1·2	30 7 6
Subdivision XXXIII.				
90	VI., X.	380 0 0	9 1·2	86 9 0
96	VII.	366 0 0	9 10·2	90 2 7
Subdivision XXXIV.				
91	VI., X.	277 0 0	8 1·2	56 1 11
99	VII.	219 0 0	10 4·2	56 13 4
Subdivision XXXV.				
92	X.	437 0 0	6 1·2	66 12 11
93	VI., X.	396 0 0	7 7·2	75 4 10
100	X., XI.	467 0 0	6 7·2	77 1 2
Subdivision XXXVI.				
94	VI.	131 3 0	11 7·2	38 4 2
95	VII.	129 1 0	11 7·2	37 9 8
97	"	109 1 0	11 1·2	30 6 5
98	"	102 1 0	11 1·2	28 7 6
Subdivision XXXVII.				
101	VII.	70 0 0	10 7·2	18 11 0
Subdivision XXXVIII.				
102	XI.	229 0 0	8 11·7	51 7 8
103	"	276 0 0	7 11·7	55 0 7
104	"	291 2 0	6 6·3	47 11 1
105	"	282 2 0	6 1·8	43 8 9
Subdivision XXXIX.				
106	XI.	498 0 0	6 10·2	85 5 8
107	"	494 0 0	7 8·7	95 8 1
Subdivision XL.				
108	XI.	304 0 0	8 7·2	65 7 3
109	"	237 2 0	8 10·2	52 11 0
110	"	296 0 0	8 10·2	65 9 10
113	"	312 0 0	9 1·2	70 19 8
Subdivision XLI.				
111	XI.	361 2 0	8 1·2	73 4 1
112	"	296 2 0	9 6	70 8 5
114	"	261 0 0	10 7·5	69 6 7
115	"	260 2 0	11 1·5	72 9 1
117	XI., XII.	324 2 0	9 4·2	2 3 3
Subdivision XLII.				
116	XI., XII.	379 0 0	9 10·2	93 6 7
118	XII.	434 0 0	8 7·2	93 6 3
Subdivision XLIII.				
119	XII.	181 2 0	12 2·7	55 9 6
120	"	231 0 0	12 2·7	70 12 0
121	"	201 2 0	11 2·7	56 11 0
Subdivision XLIV.				
122	XII.	130 1 0	10 1·2	32 17 10
<i>Arowhenua Survey District.</i>				
123	IX.	94 3 0	14 1·2	33 8 0
124	"	115 1 0	14 1·2	40 12 7
125	"	91 1 13	14 1·2	32 3 11
126	"	121 1 0	14 1·2	42 14 10
127	"	96 2 30	13 7·2	32 17 6
128	"	81 2 0	15 1·2	30 15 4
131	"	87 0 0	14 1·2	12 19 0*
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* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £200, repayable in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £12 19s. Total half-yearly, £43 14s. 4d.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
GROUP A—ORDINARY FARMS—continued.				
Subdivision XLV.				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
129	IX.	60 3 26	14 1·2	21 9 6
130	"	55 2 0	14 1·2	19 11 4
132	"	65 1 0	14 1·2	23 0 1
133	"	65 0 0	13 1·2	21 5 9
143	"	55 3 0	20 1·2	28 0 4
Subdivision XLVI.				
134	IX.	35 1 11	17 1·2	15 2 0
135	"	40 2 22	18 1·2	18 7 10
GROUP C—SUBURBAN SECTIONS.				
Subdivision XLVII.				
136	IX.	11 1 10	18 0	5 1 10
137	"	9 0 0	18 0	4 1 0
138	"	9 0 0	18 0	4 1 0
Subdivision XLVIII.				
139	IX.	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
140	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
141	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
142	"	5 0 0	20 0	2 10 0
GROUP A—ORDINARY FARMS.				
Subdivision XLIX.				
<i>Opawa Survey District.</i>				
43A	VIII.	24 0 0	2 0	1 4 0
GROUP B.—VILLAGE ALLOTMENTS.				
<i>First-class Land.</i>				
Subdivision LI.—Cave Village.				
<i>Pareora Survey District.</i>				
13	IX.	0 2 2	30 0	0 7 9
14	"	0 1 38	24 0	0 5 11
15	"	0 1 34	24 0	0 5 7
16	"	0 1 33	20 0	0 4 7
17	"	0 1 33	20 0	0 4 7
18	"	0 1 33	20 0	0 4 7
GROUP C.—SUBURBAN ALLOTMENTS.				
<i>First-class Land.</i>				
Subdivision LII.—Cave Village.				
19	IX.	1 3 38	12 6	0 12 6
20	"	2 0 29	10 0	0 10 11
27	"	2 2 25	10 0	0 13 4
Subdivision LIII.—Cave Village.				
21	IX.	1 1 39	10 0	0 7 6
22	"	1 1 39	10 0	0 7 6
23	"	1 0 36	10 0	0 6 2
24	"	1 0 36	10 0	0 6 2
25	"	1 0 36	10 0	0 6 2
Subdivision LIV.—Cave Village.				
28	IX.	5 1 12	10 0	1 6 8
29	"	5 1 12	10 0	1 6 8
Lease for 21 Years: Rent, 5 per Cent.				
Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
GROUP D.—SMALL GRAZING-RUNS.				
<i>Second-class Land.</i>				
Subdivision L.				
<i>Opawa Survey District.</i>				
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
20	IV.	162 0 0	5 3	21 3 3
*Tengawai and Opawa Survey Districts.				
42	{ *XVI. +IV. }	1,640 0 0	2 6·9	105 11 6
*Opawa and Pareora Survey Districts.				
43	{ *IV., *VIII., +IV. }	1,826 0 0	2 11·7	135 16 3

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 11th January, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, for the terms and at the upset annual rentals stated, on Friday, the 26th day of February, 1904. at 11 a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Class I.

Run No.	Name of Run.	County.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
235	Upper Mandamus	Amuri	Acres. 8,850	£ 60	14 Yrs.
236	Tekoa ..	"	17,750	110	14
237	Upper Hurunui ..	"	45,000	50	6

LOCALITY AND DESCRIPTION OF RUNS.

Run 235, Upper Mandamus Station.

This run is situated between the Glynn Wye Station on the north-west, the Glens of Tekoa Station on the west and south, and the Mandamus River on the east, and comprises the eastern and western slopes of the Organ Range, consisting of very rough and rocky country, with well-grassed spurs and gullies running down into the Mandamus River. The elevation varies from about 1,500 ft. to nearly 5,600 ft. above sea-level. It is accessible *via* the Glens of Tekoa Homestead by a bridle-track up the Mandamus River, and is distant about twenty miles from the Culverden Railway-station. The improvements consist of about three miles and a half of iron six-wire fence on the eastern boundary. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £304.

Run 236, Tekoa Station.

This run is bounded by the Glynn Wye Run and Mandamus River on the west, by the freehold property of Edgar Jones, Esq., on the north, by the Montrose and Balmoral estates on the east, and by the Glens of Tekoa on the south. It comprises the head-waters of the Mandamus, George, and Dove Rivers, and consists generally of high, rough country, with pasture of native and English grasses. The elevation varies from about 1,200 ft. to about 5,300 ft. above sea-level. The northern end of the run is situated about twelve miles from the Upper Waiiau Bridge on the coach-road from Culverden to Hammer Springs. The improvements consist of old iron six-wire fencing along parts of the western and southern boundaries, and about four miles of old iron six-wire subdivisional fencing. The maximum amount which the incoming tenant will be liable for on account of improvements is £469.

Run 237, Upper Hurunui Station.

This run is situated on the north side of the upper portion of the Hurunui River and Lake Sumner, about forty-five miles north-westward from Hawarden Railway-station, and comprises high rough country, the north-western boundary being the summit of the dividing-range from Hurunui Pass to Hope Pass. The elevation ranges from about 3,500 ft. at the lowest portion of the open area to a maximum height of about 5,626 ft. above sea-level. The lower portions of the mountain-slopes are covered with bush and scrub; the upper portions are open, and carry native pasture. There are no improvements on this run.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the runs will be given to the purchasers of the licenses on the 1st March, 1905.

2. No person or company may become the holder of more than one run under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892": Provided that the holder of any run under the said Act of a carrying-capacity of less than ten thousand sheep or two thousand head of cattle may become the lessee of an agree-

gate area sufficient to carry such a number of sheep or cattle. The holder of any small grazing-run under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," shall not be the holder of any run under Part VI. of the said Act.

3. The licenses shall be dated on the 1st March, 1905, and shall in each case be for the years specified above, from that date.

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

- (1.) That if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever, directly or indirectly, commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;
- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license;
- (3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner;
- (4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground; and
- (5.) That during the months of December to June, inclusive, or such other months, not exceeding altogether seven in any one year, as the Commissioner shall from time to time determine, the licensee shall not burn the grass on the land comprised in the license.

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

6. One half-year's rent and a license fee of £1 ls. shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license, the half-year's rent paid on the fall of the hammer being for the half-year commencing on the 1st March, 1905. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license. The runs are sold subject to the rights of the present licensees to valuation for improvements in terms of section 207 of "The Land Act, 1892," and to the other provisions of the Land Acts relating to improvements effected by licensees, but no licensee shall be entitled to valuation for improvements effected upon the forest reserves included in this license. Where fences form the boundary between Crown lands offered for license and freehold lands, the purchaser of such license will be liable to the provisions of any law now or hereafter in force relating to boundary-fences. Valuation for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Christchurch, before the licensee will be let into possession.

DECLARATION.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 2nd February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned village-homestead allotment will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Tuesday, the 15th day of March, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

If more than one application is received for the allotment on the same day, the order of selection shall be decided by ballot.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—RANGITIKEI COUNTY.—OHINE-
WAIRUA SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
11	XIII.	A. R. P. 63 0 0	s. d. 4 2-4	£ s. d. 6 12 4

Weighted with £28 2s. valuation for improvements.

This section is situated in the Awarua Block, between the Hautapu and Otaihape Streams, and close to Taihape Township. The access is from Taihape, which is about three miles and a quarter distant *via* Adamson's Track and Pukenua Roads and two miles and three-quarters *via* Kaka Road. Both routes are formed for dray traffic. A contract is let for metalling the first-mentioned route, which will probably be completed this summer. The section comprises broken and hilly land, with a few flats suitable for homestead-site, garden, &c. The soil is of first-class quality, resting on clay-and-papa formation. The section is all felled and laid down in good English grasses, and is fairly well watered by streams and springs. The elevation ranges from about 1,650 ft. to 1,950 ft. above sea-level. The improvements comprise 26 chains of fencing, 10 chains of fencing-posts (no wire stretched), and house, 12 ft. by 16 ft., sawn timber, iron roof.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments, Southland Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 30th December, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned village-homestead allotments will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Wednesday, the 24th day of February, 1904, 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.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.

Village-homestead Allotments.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.

WAIKAWA SURVEY DISTRICT.—WAIKAWA VILLAGE SETTLEMENT

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
32	VII.	17 1 6	0 9 6 | 0 7 0

Situated about one mile and a half from Waikawa Harbour, by good metalled road. Land inferior, clay soil, well watered; carries a few scattered trees of red- and white-pine of no value for sawmilling purposes, suitable only for firewood; underscrub heavy. Weighted with £10, valuation for hut and fencing. No lessee shall hold more than 70 acres in this settlement.

MAKAREWA TOWNSHIP.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
14	V.	13 3 0	2 4 8 | 0 16 10
7	VII.	13 1 36	0 9 6 | 0 5 5
9	"	13 1 36	0 9 6 | 0 5 5

Situated about six miles from Invercargill by good formed road to half a mile of sections. Soil, peat and clay; bush land, with a few scattered red- and white-pine and kamai, suitable only for firewood; scrub heavy. No lessee shall hold more than 30 acres in this settlement.

INVERCARGILL HUNDRED.—ACKERS VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
104	XX.	16 3 30	1 7 2 | 0 13 7

Situated about eight miles from Invercargill by good formed road. Soil inferior and sandy; no bush of any commercial value on land; timber mostly small kamai and white-pine, fit only for firewood; scrub heavy. No lessee shall hold more than 65 acres in this settlement.

NIAGARA VILLAGE.

	A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
* 15, 16, 17, 18	..	1 0 0	8 0 | 0 4 0

* Grouped.

Situated about six miles from Town of Waikawa. Open land; soil a heavy loam. Weighted with £50, valuation for house, outhouse, garden, and fencing. No lessee shall hold more than 10 acres in this settlement.

JOHN HAY,
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. 0 1 0	£ s. d. 30 0 0	£ s. d. 7 10 0	£ s. d. 1 10 0	£ s. d. 0 3 9	£ s. d. 1 4 0	£ s. d. 0 3 0
" ..	" ..	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	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.

NATIVE LAND COURT NOTICES.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 9th February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that applications have been made 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, 1904-2.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation	Date	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
4	Transfer (C.A. 1904-8) ..	3rd February, 1904 ..	Putataka No. 1A ..	Paora Teira Pomare, of Kohanga, One- whero, to Elizabeth Anne Neil, of Maioro, Waiuku.
5	Transfer (C.A. 1904-9) ..	3rd February, 1904 ..	Putataka No. 1B ..	Pumipi te Putu, of Kohanga, One- whero, to Elizabeth Anne Neil, of Maioro, Waiuku.

Application for Confirmation Certificate under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 10th February, 1904.

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

[Gisborne, Sec. 55, 1904-6.]

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land	Names of Parties.
119	Transfer	9th February, 1904 ..	Section 3 of Awapuni A No. 2	Waaka Taketake to T. J. Goldsmith.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

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

[Wellington, Sec. 55.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (1904-16)	14th December, 1903	Waitara Upper, Block I., Section 15	Teieti Wirokino to Robert McKenzie.
2	Conveyance (1904-17) ..	2nd April, 1903 ..	Raleigh West, Block XCVIII., Section 6	Newton Watt to Matthew J. Jones.
3	Mortgage (1904-18) ..	29th January, 1904 ..	Ohiti-Waitio 1E, No. 2	Wikitoria te Uamairangi and Tara- naki te Ua to John Roberts.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT JAMES FERGUS, of Kumeu, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1904, at 2.30 o'clock.

E. GÉRARD,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 10th February, 1904.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Taranaki, holden at Stratford.

In the matter of WALTER WADEY, of Eltham, Confectioner, bankrupt.

NOTICE is hereby given that the public examination of the above-named bankrupt is fixed for Tuesday, the 23rd day of February, 1904, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, at the sitting of the above-named Court in Bankruptcy, at the Courthouse at Stratford.

Dated this 13th day of February, 1904.

C. H. ARNDT,
Deputy Official Assignee.*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wairarapa, holden at Masterton.*

NOTICE is hereby given that FREDERICK UNWIN, of Mangatainoka, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Pahiatua, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1904, at 3 o'clock p.m.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Masterton, 15th February, 1904.*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wairarapa, holden at Masterton.*

Estate of H. W. POWNALL.

A MEETING of creditors in the above estate will be held at the Courthouse, Masterton, on Wednesday, the 17th day of February, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon.

Business: To receive Accountant's report.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Masterton, 11th February, 1904.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WALTER CHRISTIE, of Mortimer Street, Wellington, Pastrycook, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1904, at 11 o'clock a.m.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.

Wellington, 15th February, 1904.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM JOHN SULLIVAN, of Christchurch, Tailor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 18th day of February, 1904, at 11 o'clock.

G. L. GREENWOOD,
Official Assignee.

11th February, 1904.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that RICHARD ATKINSON, of Orepuki, Painter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 16th day of February, 1904, at 2.30 o'clock.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Invercargill, 8th February, 1904.

MINING NOTICES.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Monte Christo Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 7th June, 1899.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Sunderland Street, Clyde; Nestor David Parcell.

Nominal capital: £10,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £8,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £8,500.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £8,500.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,100.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
Number of shares allotted: 9,600.
Amount paid per share: £1.
Amount called up per share: £1.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 114.
Present number of shareholders: 171.

Number of men employed by company: 3.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 95 oz.; £364 2s. 1d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,573 oz. 2dwt. 15 gr.; £5,980 17s. 2d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,248 1s. 2d.

Total expenditure since registration: £12,617 9s. 3d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £1,920.
Total amount of dividends paid: £1,920.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £6 5s. 11d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts owing by company: £378 4s. 1d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Nestor David Parcell, Legal Manager of the Monte Christo Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

NESTOR D. PARCELL,
Manager.

Declared at Clyde, this 29th day of January, 1904, before me—George Fache, J.P.

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STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mount Morgan Sluicing Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration:
Whether in active operation or not: Active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Matakani; J. D. Nicolson, Secretary.

Nominal capital: £2,800.
Amount of capital subscribed: £800.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £800.

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

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.

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

Amount paid per share: £1.
Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 8.

Present number of shareholders: 8.
Number of men employed by company: 4.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 95 oz. 19 dwt. 3 gr.; £369 10s. 1d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 167 oz. 16 dwt. 13 gr.; £646 2s. 7d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £868 7s. 9d.

Total expenditure since registration: £2,060 5s. 9d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's and on deposit: £20 1s. 10d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts owing by company: £224 3s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

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

I, John D. Nicolson, the Secretary of the Mount Morgan Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. D. NICOLSON,
Secretary.

Declared at Matakani, this 8th day of February, 1904, before me—Wm. Laidlaw, J.P.

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STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Victoria Gold-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: Incorporated, 29th April, 1903; certificate issued, 19th May, 1903.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Nokomai; John France.

Nominal capital: £1,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £1,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £750.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,000.
Number of shares allotted: 1,000.

Amount paid per share: 15s.
Amount called up per share:

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 8.
Number of men employed by company: Claim worked on tribute.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 4 oz. 2dwt. 18 gr.; £15 10s. 4d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3 2s. 1d.

Total expenditure since registration: £3 2s. 1d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.

Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £12 18s. 2d.
 Amount of debts owing by company : Nil.

I, John France, the Manager of the Victoria Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN FRANCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Nokomai, this 6th day of February, 1904,
 before me—Don. A. Cameron, J.P. 286

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Vinegar Hill Hydraulic Sluicing Company (Limited).
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Vinegar Hill, St. Bathans; Edward Morgan.
 Nominal capital : £6,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £6,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 6,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 6,000.
 Amount paid per share : £1.
 Amount called up per share : £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 10.
 Present number of shareholders : 12.
 Number of men employed by company : 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : £963 8s. 7d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : £2,163 8s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,011 3s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £2,833 7s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company : £639.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Edward Morgan, of Cambrian's, Miner, the Manager of the Vinegar Hill Hydraulic Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

EDWARD MORGAN,
 Secretary.

Declared at St. Bathans, this 10th day of February, 1904,
 before me—Wm. McConnochie, J.P. 287

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : New Teviot Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 19th December, 1902.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : No. 1, Bond Street; Thomas J. McKerrow.
 Nominal capital : £3,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : Nil.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £3,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 3,500.

Number of shares allotted : 3,500.
 Amount paid per share : £1 (nominal).
 Amount called up per share : Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 7.
 Present number of shareholders : 162.
 Number of men employed by company : 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 653 oz. 14 dwt. 18 gr.; £2,541 Os. 7d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 653 oz. 14 dwt. 18 gr.; £2,541 Os. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,916 17s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £2,916 17s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company : £1,051 19s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £35.
 Amount of debts considered good : £35.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Thomas J. McKerrow, Secretary of the New Teviot Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS J. MCKERROW,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 8th day of February, 1904,
 before me—John Angus, J.P. 303

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Watterson's Ahaura Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 18th August, 1902.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Dunedin; James Archibald Sligo.
 Nominal capital : £3,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £3,304 10s.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £3,191 8s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 3,000 ordinary shares, 2,000 preference shares at 5s. each.
 Number of shares allotted : 4,446—2,924 ordinary, 1,522 preference.
 Amount paid per share : £1 on ordinary, and 5s. on preference (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share : £1 on ordinary, and 5s. on preference.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 166 ordinary, £32 18s. 9d.; 859 preference, £80 3s.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 134.
 Present number of shareholders : 150.
 Number of men employed by company : 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 116 oz. 3 dwt. 6 gr.; £447 4s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 384 oz. 12 dwt. 9 gr.; £1,489 19s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,293 4s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £4,999 11s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £123 10s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company : £224 16s. 3d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £90.

I, James Archibald Sligo, the Secretary of Watterson's Ahaura Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and

sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. A. SLIGO,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1904,
before me—Thos. Ross, J.P. 305

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Point d'Or Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 26th March, 1900.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; James Brown.
Nominal capital: £12,200.
Amount of capital subscribed: £10,575.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,097 10s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,200.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,200.
Number of shares allotted: 10,575.
Amount paid per share: 9s. per share (less arrears) on 7,875 shares.
Amount called up per share: 9s. per share on 7,875 shares.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £446 5s.
Number of shares forfeited: 1,125.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 151.
Present number of shareholders: 145.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 112 oz. 13 dwt. 6 gr.; £439 6s. 5d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 564 oz. 16 dwt. 1 gr.; £2,172 6s. 7d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £951 4s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £4,756 0s. 8d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.
Amount of debts owing by company: £181 1s. 2d.

I, James Brown, the Manager of the Point d'Or Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JAMES BROWN,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of February, 1904,
before me—Alex. Sligo, J.P. 304

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Royal Maori Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 4th August, 1902.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney Thorpe Mirams.
Nominal capital: £10,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,738.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,806.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 10,000.
Number of shares allotted: 7,268.
Amount paid per share: 20s.
Amount called up per share: 20s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 62.
Present number of shareholders: 73.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding half-year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 519 oz.; £2,017 3s. 3d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding half-year: £821 13s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £3,756 5s. 10d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £198 16s. 5d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts owing by company: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £530.

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, the Manager of the New Royal Maori Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 13th day of January, 1904,
before me—William T. Talboys, J.P. 289

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sunshine Dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 24th August, 1903.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, Bond Street, Dunedin; Sidney T. Mirams.
Nominal capital: £8,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £8,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
Amount paid per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 166.
Present number of shareholders: 166.
Number of men employed by company: 8.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding half-year: 46 oz. 7 dwt.; £178 8s. 9d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 46 oz. 7 dwt.; £178 8s. 9d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding half-year: £560 14s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,130 14s. 2d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £187 14s. 7d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts owing by company: £198 3s. 7d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Sidney Thorpe Mirams, of Dunedin, Manager of the Sunshine Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SIDNEY T. MIRAMS,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 13th day of January, 1904,
before me—William T. Talboys, J.P. 288

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rising Sun Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th February, 1901.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Cromwell; Lewis Harris.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,451 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 8,000.
 Amount paid per share: 20s.
 Amount called up per share: 20s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £48 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 9.
 Present number of shareholders: 83.
 Number of men employed by company: Average, 10.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 235 oz. 8 dwt. 2 gr.; £906 5s. 10s.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 235 oz. 8 dwt. 2 gr.; £906 5s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,595 12s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £8,258 11s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's and on deposit: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company: £1,831 2s. 10d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Lewis Harris, of Cromwell, the Legal Manager of the Rising Sun Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

LEWIS HARRIS,
 Secretary.

Declared at Cromwell, this 25th day of January, 1904, before me—Edward Murrell, J.P. 295

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waimumu Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th November, 1897.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: No. 1, Bond Street; Andrew Hamilton.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 7,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 7,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 13.
 Present number of shareholders: 91.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,046 oz. 16 dwt. 8 gr.; £4,093 5s.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 4,931 oz.; £19,365 10s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,554 5s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £21,904 4s. 3d.

Total amount of dividends declared: £3,237 10s.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £3,237 10s.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £2 7s. 6d.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £309 15s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company: £93 6s. 8d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Andrew Hamilton, Secretary of the Waimumu Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ANDREW HAMILTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1904, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 156

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alexandra Eureka Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th November, 1899.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: No. 1, Bond Street; Andrew Hamilton.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £12,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 24.
 Number of men employed by company: 14.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,545 oz. 15 dwt. 11 gr.; £5,945 8s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 5,200 oz. 7 dwt.; £20,308 14s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,613 11s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £13,054 10s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £7,350.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £7,350.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £96 4s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company: £70.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Andrew Hamilton, Secretary of the Alexandra Eureka Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ANDREW HAMILTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1904, before me—David Larnach, J.P. 157

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sandy Point Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th February, 1903.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; James Archibald Sligo.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £8,000.

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

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

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.

Number of shares allotted: 8,000.

Amount paid per share: £1.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 84.

Present number of shareholders: 76.

Number of men employed by company: 9.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,281 oz. 12 dwt. 16 gr.; £4,981 1s. 9d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,281 oz. 12 dwt. 16 gr.; £4,981 1s. 9d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £12,642 1s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £12,642 1s. 3d.

Total amount of dividends declared: 2s. per share; £800.

Total amount of dividends paid: 2s. per share; £800.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £339 0s. 6d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of debts owing by company: £270 12s. 3d.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £40.

I, James A. Sligo, Secretary of the Sandy Point Gold dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

J. A. SLIGO,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 20th day of January, 1904
before me—Thos. Ross, J.P. 306

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

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

When formed, and date of registration: 15th May, 1900.

Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; George Blyth.

Nominal capital: £8,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,242 16s. 6d.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £3,532 10s.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 8,000.

Number of shares allotted: 8,000.

Amount paid per share: £1.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £176 10s.

Number of shares forfeited: 2,240.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 98.

Present number of shareholders: 66.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

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

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

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £336 2s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration: £3,706 14s. 3d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £36 2s. 3d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £500.

Amount of debts considered good: £500.

Amount of debts owing by company: Nil.

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

I, George Blyth, the Secretary of the Daylight Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely

declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1903; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEORGE BLYTH,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 26th day of January, 1904,
before me—P. G. Pryde, J.P. 256

In the matter of the Maori King Gold-dredging Company (Limited) (in liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given that the creditors of the above-named company are required, on or before the 19th day of March, 1904, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors (if any), to the undersigned, WILLIAM HENRY MIDDLETON, of 49, Castle Street, Dunedin, Agent, the Liquidator of the said company; and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts and claims, at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 12th day of February, 1904.

307 W. H. MIDDLETON,
Liquidator.

THE WANGANUI-WATAROA GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1903."

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the Wanganui-Wataroa Gold-dredging Company, duly convened, and held at the Assembly Rooms, Ridgway Street, Wanganui, on Thursday, the 4th day of February, 1904, the following resolution, which was passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the company held on the 26th day of January, 1904, at the same place, was submitted for confirmation as a special resolution, and passed: "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the company that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same voluntarily." Notice is also given that at the said extraordinary general meeting held on the 4th day of February, 1904, PETER BELL, of Wanganui, Accountant, was appointed Liquidator of the company.

Dated this 13th day of February, 1904.

309 PETER BELL, Liquidator.

THE NEW RED JACKS GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

Registered Office at 171, Hereford Street, Christchurch, New Zealand.

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the above-named company, held at its registered office on Wednesday, the 10th day of February, 1904, the following extraordinary resolution was duly passed, namely: "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the company be wound up voluntarily."

Cecil Claude Morton Ollivier, of Christchurch, Accountant, was appointed Liquidator.

R. MOORE,
Chairman.

Witness—W. M. Redmayne, Clerk, Christchurch.

With reference to the above, all claims against the named company are required to be lodged with me on or before the 19th day of March, 1904, addressed "C. M. Ollivier, care of Ollivier Bros., 171, Hereford Street, Christchurch."

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In the matter of the New Golden Gravel Dredging Company (Limited), (in liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Final Meeting of the shareholders in above-named company (limited) will be held in R. A. Mathewson's Office, Crawford Street, Dunedin, on Monday, the 25th April, at 8 p.m., when the Liquidator will lay before shareholders a statement showing how the assets of the company have been disposed of, and a resolution will be passed stating the manner in which the books of the company will be disposed of.

R. A. MATHEWSON,
Liquidator.

Dunedin, 12th February, 1904.

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LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

1223. MAY STRACHAN.—136 acres 3 roods 39 perches, Ruangarehu G Block. Occupied by James William Fairlie. Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Gisborne.

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R. N. JONES,
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 on or before the 18th day of March, 1904.

3473. UTIKU POTAKA.—12 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, part Section 18, Rangitikei Agricultural Reserve. Unoccupied.

3474. JOHN HENRY NIXON and the Honourable HENRY CAVENDISH BUTLER.—132 acres 3 roods 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, part Section 227, Right Bank Wanganui River. Unoccupied.

3480. RICHARD HENRY MARRIOTT.—23 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, part Section 422, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 17th day of February, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

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W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of STEWART HALL HARRIS, of Sydney, New South Wales, Surgeon, for Sections 211 to 227 inclusive, 313, 314, 315, 316, 327, and 328, Town of Campbell, deposited plan No. 160, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 61, folio 215, 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 3rd day of March, 1904.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

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W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional certificate of title in the name of JAMES TAYLOR MACKERRAS and JAMES HAZLETT, both of Dunedin, Merchants, for Allotments 3 and 18, Block III., Extension of the Township of Granton, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 27, folio 300, and satisfactory evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said certificate of title, I hereby give notice that I will issue such provisional certificate of title as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within fourteen days from the date of the publication hereof in the *Gazette*.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

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W. WYINKS,
District Land Registrar.

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

9651. JOHN HENRY DAWBER.—9 acres 1 rood 24 perches, parts of Rural Section 14163, Block V., Okain's Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

9661. JAMES CORBETT.—276 acres 2 roods, parts of Rural Sections 1238, 1239, 1247, 6680, 6681, 6703, and 6704, Blocks XIII. and XIV., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

9689. THOMAS ANTHONY MOSS.—15 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, part of Lot 33, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Applicant.

9746. HENRY DERRETT.—24 acres 2 roods 5 perches, part of Rural Section 313, Block VII., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

9755. The Honourable GEORGE WILLIAM SPENCER LYTTLETON.—2 acres and 39 perches, Lot 29, Plan 1621, part of Rural Section 76, Block XV., Christchurch Survey District. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 16th day of February, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

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G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

PRIVATE ADVERTISEMENTS.

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE LAND.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1897," "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1899," and "The Public Works Act, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Wellington proposes, under the provisions of the above-mentioned Acts, to execute a certain public work—namely, the widening of Fraser's Lane, in the City of Wellington—and for the purposes of such public work the lands described in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken. And notice is hereby further given that a plan of the lands so required to be taken is deposited in the public office of the Town Clerk to the said Council, situate at the corner of Brandon and Featherston Streets, in the said city, and is open for inspection without fee by all persons during ordinary office hours; and that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of such lands should, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such lands, set forth the same in writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Town Clerk, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Coloured on Plan.	Situate in the
A. R. P. 0 0 0.77	534	Red	City of Wellington.
0 0 0.29	534	Blue	City of Wellington.

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

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this 15th day of February, 1904.

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JNO. R. PALMER,
Town Clerk.

MASTERTON FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE AUCTION AND STOCK AGENCY COMPANY (LIMITED), (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a General Meeting of members of the above-named company will be held at the company's registered office (Mr. W. B. Chennells's office, Perry Street, Masterton), on Saturday, 16th April, 1904, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of having the account of the liquidation laid before them and hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining the manner in which the books, accounts, &c., of the company shall be disposed of.

Dated at Masterton, this 11th February, 1904.

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W. B. CHENNELLS, Liquidator.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1903," and the Australian Alliance Assurance Company.

IN pursuance of the provisions of section 302 of "The Companies Act, 1903," it is hereby notified that the above company proposes to carry on the business of the company at the offices of Mr. Alfred Ernest Kernot, situate 21, Victoria Street, Wellington; Mr. A. J. Sullivan, No. 5, Crawford Street, Dunedin; Mr. Charles E. Palmer, No. 129, Queen Street, Auckland; Mr. Aishton A. Clatworthy, Tennyson Street, Napier; Messrs. Carswell and Co., Esk Street, Invercargill.

A. E. KERNOT,
Attorney for the Australian Alliance Assurance Company.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1903"; and in the matter of S. Mayer and Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business in New Zealand of the above-named company—S. Mayer and Company (Limited)—a company incorporated in New South Wales, and carrying on business in New Zealand, where legal process of any kind may be served upon it and notices of any kind may be addressed or delivered, is situate in the Australian Mutual Provident Society's Building, in Hunter Street, in the City of Wellington.

Dated at Wellington, the 15th day of February, 1904.

FRANK HENRY SALENGER,
BERNHARD BAUER,
Attorneys of the Company.

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"THE COMPANIES ACT, 1903," SECTION 266.

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 Wellington Prospecting Syndicate (Limited). 1900/30.
The Kaituna River Gold-dredging Company (Limited). 1901/13.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1904, at the Joint-stock Companies Office, Wellington.

C. H. WALTER DIXON,
Assistant Registrar.

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ELTHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE LAND.

In the matter of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," and "The Public Works Act, 1894."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Borough of Eltham proposes, under the provisions of the above-mentioned Acts, to execute a certain public work—namely, to provide drainage-works for the Borough of Eltham—and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is hereby further given that a plan of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the public office of the Town Clerk to the said Council, situate in Bridge Street, Eltham, and is open for inspection without fee by all persons during ordinary office hours; and that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of such land should, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing within forty days from the first publication of this notice to the Town Clerk, Eltham.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Part of	Coloured on Plan	Situate in
A. R. P. 3 2 16	Section No. 35, Block No. Ten (X.)	Red ..	Ngaire Survey Dist., Borough of Eltham

In the Land District of Taranaki; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan above mentioned.

As witness my hand, this 10th day of February, 1904.

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W. J. TRISTRAM, Town Clerk.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, JOSEPH FOWELL, of Waitahuna, Engineer, and JAMES INGRAM, of Manuka Creek, Flaxmillers, as Flaxmillers, at Waitahuna and elsewhere, has been dissolved by mutual consent as from the 23rd day of January, 1904. The said business shall be carried on by the said James Ingram and also by Arthur Ingram and Albert Ingram, both of Manuka Creek, Flaxmillers, who shall pay all the debts of the late firm and receive all moneys due thereto.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1904.

JAMES INGRAM.
JOSEPH FOWELL.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

WE, the undersigned, hereby give notice that the Partnership hitherto existing between us as "Vickers and Stevens" has been dissolved by mutual consent, as from the 1st day of February, 1904.

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Dated at Inglewood, this 9th day of February, 1904.

EDWARD VICKERS.
ROBT. STEVENS.

Witness to signatures—Harold J. M. Thomson, Solicitor, Inglewood. 292

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Dated this 17th day of February, 1904.

D. P. BUCHANAN.
C. A. J. LEVETT.

Witness to signatures—W. A. Sandilands, Solicitor, Feilding. 302

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Dated this 1st day of February, 1904.

BELL, GULLY, BELL, AND MYERS,
Solicitors for the Company. 205

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