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Lands taken for a Road in Block II., Waikaka Survey District, Knapdale Road District.

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

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

Approximate Area of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 25	17	II.	Waikaka	R. 4903	Red.
0 0 7.5	Part of a reserve in 17	"	"	"	"

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

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proclaiming a Road as closed through Lands in Block II., Waikaka Survey District, Knapdale 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 Waikaka Survey District hereinafter described.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Portion of Road closed.	Being Part of Road through Section	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 14	17	II.	Waikaka	R. 4903	Green.
0 0 0.5	17	"	"	"	"

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

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land in Block X., Ngairu Survey District, taken for a Rifle Range at Eltham.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and "The Public Works Act, 1903," for the purposes of a rifle range at Eltham:

And whereas all conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the issue of this Proclamation 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 rifle range aforesaid. And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and four.

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Coloured on Plan	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 4 0 33	29	Purple	X.	Ngairu.
5 3 30.5	30	Green	X.	Ngairu.
5 3 33	31 and 32	Red	X.	Ngairu.
0 2 7	31 and 32	Yellow	X.	Ngairu.

Borough of Eltham

All in the Taranaki Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20730, 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 eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land in the Town of Greymouth taken for a Drill-shed.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and its amendments, for a drill-shed in the Town of Greymouth:

And whereas an agreement for the taking of the estate in fee-simple of the said land has been entered into, 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 land, and the Minister for Public Works has recommended that this Proclamation shall be issued:

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 hereinbefore mentioned. And it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and four.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Town Section No.	Situated in the
A. R. P. 0 0 29	195B	Town of Greymouth.

In the Westland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20523, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured green.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Setting apart Lands in Taranaki Land District for Leasing as Small Grazing-runs under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," and Section 2 of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903."

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

BY virtue of and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by section one hundred and seventy-two of "The Land Act, 1892," and section two of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto are set aside for disposal by way of selection as small grazing-runs under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892"; and also that in the disposal thereof the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of section two of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," shall apply. And I do further proclaim and declare that for the purposes of the last-mentioned Act the lands in the said Schedule shall be deemed to be "heavy-bush land."

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Pastoral Country.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.
PATEA COUNTY.			
Taurakawa ..	1	XIII.	A. R. P. 3,600 0 0
STRATFORD AND PATEA COUNTIES.			
Taurakawa ..	3	V.	2,125 0 0
CLIFTON COUNTY.			
Upper Waitara ..	9	XV.	2,113 0 0

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Setting apart Lands in Hawke's Bay Land District for Leasing as Small Grazing-runs under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," and Section 2 of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903."

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

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by section one hundred and seventy-two of "The Land Act, 1892," and section two of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the lands described in the Schedules hereto are set aside for disposal by way of selection as small grazing-runs under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892"; and also that in the disposal thereof the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of section two of "The Bush and Swamp Crown Lands Settlement Act, 1903," shall apply. And I do further proclaim and declare that for the purposes of the last-mentioned Act the land in the First Schedule shall be deemed to be "heavy-bush land," and the lands in the Second Schedule shall be deemed to be "scrub land."

SCHEDULES.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.
Second-class Pastoral Country.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.
FIRST SCHEDULE.		
COOK COUNTY.		
<i>Heavy-bush Land.</i>		
84	Tuahu	A. R. P. 2,380 0 0
SECOND SCHEDULE.		
<i>Scrub Land.</i>		
COOK COUNTY.		
62	Hangaroa and Tuahu	3,210 0 0
76	Ngatapa	2,580 0 0
WAIROA COUNTY.		
80	Tuahu	2,824 0 0
81	"	2,950 0 0
82	"	3,471 0 0
83	"	2,946 0 0

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for the Kawakawa Ballast-pit Siding, Kawakawa-Grahamtown Railway, and for Road-deviations in connection therewith.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for the Kawakawa Ballast-pit Siding, Kawakawa-Grahamtown Railway, and for road-deviations in connection therewith:

And whereas all conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the taking of such land for the purpose 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 of the powers and authorities conferred on me by section one hundred and sixty-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and section eleven of "The Public Works Act, 1903," 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 hereby taken for the said ballast-pit siding and for road-deviations in connection therewith.

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being	Coloured on Plan	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
FOR RAILWAY.				
A. R. P. 2 0 14	Native land	Red ..	XV., XIV.	Kawakawa.
0 2 34	Native land	Red ..	XIV.	Kawakawa.
0 2 17	Native land	Yellow	XIV.	Kawakawa.
1 2 32	Road thro'	Green	XIV.	Kawakawa.
37 1 3	Native land	Red ..	XIV.	Kawakawa.
FOR ROAD-DEVIATIONS.				
0 0 18	Native land	Sepia	XIV.	Kawakawa.
2 0 8	Native land	Sepia	XIV.	Kawakawa.

All in the Auckland Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20469, 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 eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Lands in the Tahoraite Survey District taken for the Purposes of a Rifle Range at Dannevirke.

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

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," and "The Public Works Act, 1903," for the purposes of a rifle range at Dannevirke:

And whereas all conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the taking of such lands for the purposes 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 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 anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim that the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are hereby taken for the purposes of a rifle range as aforesaid; and it is hereby declared that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and four.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land required to be taken.	Being	Colour on Plan.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in Survey District of
A. R. P. 2 3 27.8	Lot 1 of Section 10, Umutaoroa Block	Green	II.	Tahoraite.
3 3 20.7	Lot 2 of Section 10, Umutaoroa Block	Yellow	II.	Tahoraite.
10 1 14.7	Lot 1 of Tahoraite No. 2 Block	Red	II.	Tahoraite.

All in the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D.

20677, 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 eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Land taken for a Further Portion of the Branch Line of the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway from Stratford to Wangamomona (Further Portion of the Oruru Section), and for a Road-deviation in connection therewith.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a further portion of the branch line of the Foxton-New Plymouth Railway from Stratford to Wangamomona—namely, a further portion of the Oruru Section, and for a road-deviation in connection therewith:

And whereas all conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the taking of such land for the purpose 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 of the powers and authorities conferred on me by section one hundred and sixty-seven of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and section eleven of "The Public Works Act, 1903," 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 hereby taken for a further portion of the said railway hereinbefore specified, and for a road-deviation in connection therewith.

SCHEDULE.

THE several parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Coloured on Plan	P.W.D. No. of Plan.	Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
FOR RAILWAY.					
A. R. P. 1 0 13	Sub. 8, Huikama Block	Blue	20587	XIII.	Ngatimaru.
0 1 11	Sub. 8, Huikama Block	Blue	20587	XIII.	Ngatimaru.
2 2 38	Sub. 8, Huikama Block	Red	20658	XIII.	Ngatimaru.
FOR ROAD-DEVIATION.					
1 2 10.9	Sub. 8, Huikama Block	Sepia	20587	XIII.	Ngatimaru.

All in the Taranaki Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plans numbered as above, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured as stated.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Additional Land in Block IV., Kowai Survey District, taken for the Purposes of the Midland Railway.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been found desirable for the use, convenience, and enjoyment of the Midland Railway to take further land in Block IV., Kowai Survey District, in addition to land previously acquired for the purposes of the said railway:

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

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Coloured on Plan	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 2 2 4	Lots 128 and 129, R.S. 37084	Green	IV.	Kowai.

In the Canterbury Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20753, 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 eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Conferring Criminal Jurisdiction on District Court of Waikato and Thames.

(L.S.) RANFURLY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The District Courts Criminal Jurisdiction Extension Act, 1870" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor may, by Proclamation, from time to time declare that any District Court shall have cognisance of all felonies and indictable misdemeanours, as specified in the fourth section of the said Act: And whereas it is expedient that such jurisdiction should be conferred upon the District Court of Waikato and Thames:

Now, therefore, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power vested in me by the said Act, and of all other powers enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that

THE DISTRICT COURT OF WAIKATO AND THAMES

shall, from and after the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and four, have cognisance of all felonies and indictable misdemeanours committed after the passing of the said Act within the district over which its jurisdiction extends, saving only the felonies and offences specially excepted in and by the fourth section of the said Act.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING 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-fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, 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 Prebbleton Domain Board, namely,—

JOHN WILLIAM OVERTON,
JAMES WALTER PREBBLE,
JOSEPH HASTIE,
JOHN THOMAS GALLAGHER, and
WILLIAM WITTE

(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 Thursday in each month, at half-past eleven o'clock a.m., at the Lincoln Road Board Office, 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 Thursday, the seventh day of April, 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 Thursday 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 area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 2 roods 15 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 2419 (in red), situated in Christchurch Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 3643, 733 links; towards the south-east by Springs Road, 400 links, and Reserve No. 202 (in red), 200 links; towards the north-west by Section No. 3835, 600 links; and towards the south-west by Reserve No. 202 (in red), 333 links and 400 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

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

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

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

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

MARTIN TIERNEY, Poukiore, Hunterville, Farmer;
THOMAS UNDERWOOD LOWE POWELL, Poukiore, Hunterville, Farmer;
RICHARD HEALEY, Poukiore, Hunterville, Farmer;
JOHN MASON, Poukiore, Hunterville, Farmer; and
EWEN CAMERON, Poukiore, Hunterville, Roadman

(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 Monday in each month, at half-past seven o'clock p.m., at the schoolhouse, Poukiore, 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 second day of May, 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 Monday 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 Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 17 acres 3 roods 8 perches, more or less, being Section No. 35, Block XV., Tiriraukawa Survey District. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 1970 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 25, 735 links; towards the south-west by Poukiore No. 1 Block, 1866 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 36, 821 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, Wellington.

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

Revoking Delegation of Powers under "The Public Domains Act, 1881," to the Matamau Domain Board.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING 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, made and issued on the twenty-eighth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and three, under the said Act, and delegating all the powers conferred by the said Act (except the powers conferred by sections five and twelve thereof) in respect of the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto to the following persons, who are known as the Matamau Domain Board, namely:—

GEORGE WALTER FRANCE,
CHARLES SWIGGS,
WILLIAM SARGENT,
ARTHUR BECKETT, and
ALFRED THOMAS BOX.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 33, Village of Matamau, Block X., Norsewood Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier.

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

Consenting to closing Road, Parish of Ngaroto, Waipa County.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of Road to be closed.	Adjoining or passing through	Situated in Block	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 10 1 10	Sections 143, 131, 149, Ngaroto Parish	XIII.	Hamilton	R. 5446	Green.

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

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

Division of Gratuities for the Conveyance of Mails.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section thirty-eight of "The Post Office Act, 1900" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor in Council may from time to time determine the amount of gratuities to be paid to masters of vessels for the conveyance of mails, and that such gratuities may be either a fixed sum or at such rate as the Governor in Council from time to time determines: And whereas by Order in Council dated the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and one, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the ninth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and one, the gratuities to be paid to masters of vessels for the conveyance of mails were fixed at the rates in such Order in Council mentioned:

And whereas it is desirable to alter and amend the regulations providing for the payment of such gratuities in the manner hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the consent and advice of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the gratuities for the conveyance of mails shall hereafter be paid in the manner set forth in the Schedule hereto; and doth declare that this Order in Council shall have effect on and from its publication in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

GRATUITIES shall no longer be paid only to the master of one vessel for any despatch of mails at the office whence such despatch is made, unless such master completes delivery of the mails at the office of destination, or unless two or more vessels belonging to the same company or proprietary alone are engaged in the despatch and delivery of the mails. In such latter case payment of one gratuity at the office of despatch shall suffice to pay for the whole service undertaken in the carriage of the mails.

Where any service in the carriage of sea mails is not completed by the master of the vessel to which such mails are delivered at the post-office of despatch, and such mails are required to be further conveyed by a vessel or by vessels belonging to another company or proprietary, or other companies or proprietaries, than that to which such first-named vessel belongs, the gratuity for the conveyance of the mails shall be equally divided, subject to the condition set out in the preceding clause of this Schedule, between the masters of the vessels on which such mails are conveyed from the port at which they are received from the post-office to the port at which they are again delivered to the post-office.

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

Incorporating a Portion of the Heathcote Road District with the Christchurch Tramways District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon him by "The Christchurch Tramways District Act, 1902," and of all other powers and authorities in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the consent and advice of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby direct that the portion of the Heathcote Road District described in the Schedule hereto shall, from and after the date of the gazetting hereof, be incorporated with and form part of the Christchurch Tramways District as constituted by the aforesaid Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area of land, part of the Heathcote Road District, comprised within the following boundaries: Commencing at the junction of Opawa Road and Martin's Road; thence by the north-west side of Martin's Road to Hill's Road; thence by the south-west side of Hill's Road to the road running west to Trig. Station Q; thence generally easterly by the southerly side of Hill's Road to its junction with

Opawa Road; thence northerly along the easterly side of Opawa Road to Gadd's Road; thence along the southerly and easterly side of Gadd's Road to the Christchurch-Lyttelton Railway-line near Woolston Station; thence by the south-west boundary of the railway land to Opawa Road near the bridge over the Heathcote River; thence by the north-east side of Opawa Road to Martin's Road, the point of commencement; the said area including the full width of the roads forming the boundary thereof: as the same is delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 20630, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

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

Retention of Unclaimed Letters: Shortening Period.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section eleven of "The Post Office Act, 1900" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor in Council from time to time may make regulations for the receiving, despatching, and delivering of postal packets, and, *inter alia*, for the detaining and return or other disposal of unclaimed, refused, or rejected postal packets, or such as from any cause whatever cannot be delivered or forwarded, and for the publication of a list of the same: And whereas by Order in Council dated the twelfth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, rules and regulations were made under the authority of "The Post Office Act, 1881," for the purposes aforesaid, and it is desirable to revoke such regulations and to make others in lieu thereof in the manner hereinafter set forth:

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 acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke the regulations numbered 276, 279, and 285 in the Schedule to the aforementioned Order in Council, and in lieu thereof doth make the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth order that such regulations shall have effect on and after the date of their publication in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

UNCLAIMED AND RETURNED LETTERS, ETC.

276A. At chief offices, and offices where letter-carriers are employed, a dead-letter mail must be made up every Monday morning, to include all letters, letter cards, and packets posted in the colony which have remained unclaimed for the periods specified in section 285A. Letters, &c., addressed to all other offices must be kept as directed in the same section, and then forwarded to the chief office in the dead-letter envelope, which Chief Postmasters will send out at the close of each month. Dead-letter mails must be sent by Sub-Postmasters to their chief offices, and by Chief Postmasters to the Dead-letter Office, Wellington, in the special bags provided for the purpose, and must be registered.

279A. A list of all letters from places beyond the colony which remain undelivered for periods as follows:—

Addressed to the post-office, or "To be called for," or to a person residing outside the letter-carriers' deliveries,—

- From Australia .. For three weeks from the date of receipt;
- From other countries beyond New Zealand For one month from the date of receipt;

Addressed to a specified house for a person who, nevertheless, cannot be found; or addressed to a person who has gone away without leaving an address,—

- From Australia .. For two weeks from the date of receipt;
- From other countries beyond new Zealand For three weeks from the date of receipt;

must be exhibited at the office to which the letters are addressed, and if the letters, after being so advertised, remain undelivered from the date of receipt for the periods specified in section 285A they are to be marked as in that section directed, and returned in the first dead-letter mail thereafter.

285A. The following table denotes when undelivered letters, letter-cards, and packets are to be sent to the Dead-letter

Office, the time at which they are to be so sent, and the reason to be assigned upon each.

An Article	Time at which to be returned.	Reasons to be assigned, in Red Ink, on the Address Side.
1. For a person deceased, unless deliverable to a proper representative	At once	Deceased.
2. Posted without an address, or illegibly addressed	At once	Not addressed.
3. Posted without the name of either a chief office or sub-office on the address, unless for a person known to be living within the delivery of the office where posted, or for a well-known person or place in some other delivery	At once	Insufficient address.
4. Addressed so as to apply equally to two or more persons or firms, and to leave it a matter of real doubt to whom to be delivered	At once	Insufficient address.
5. Absolutely refused	At once	Refused.
6. Addressed to a street or place when there is in the town no street or place of that name, or similar name, unless there be no reasonable doubt as to the person for whom the article is intended	At once	No such street or place in [Office stamp].
7. Addressed to the post-office, or "To be called for," or to a person residing outside the letter-carriers' deliveries—		
Inland	One month Six weeks Two months	Un-claimed; or Not called for.
From Australia		
From other countries beyond New Zealand		
8. Addressed to a specified house for a person who, nevertheless, cannot be found; or addressed to a person who has gone away without leaving an address—		
Inland	One week One month Six weeks	Not to be found; or Gone, no address
From Australia		
From other countries beyond New Zealand		
9. At seaports, when addressed to a ship. (Unless it be well known, or ascertained by inquiry of the agent, that, owing to disaster or other cause, she cannot arrive within three months, in which case it should be returned at once)	Three clear months	Ship sailed, not known where; or Sailed for —, &c.
10. Addressed to the British Consul ..	At once, to Secretary	

Circulars and catalogues from beyond the colony, delivery of which cannot possibly be effected, are to be sent to the Dead-letter Office at the expiration of one clear month from date of receipt.

Undelivered post-cards, circulars, and commercial papers must be returned direct to the senders by Chief Postmasters.

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

Varying Rules as to Life-saving Appliances for Ships.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Order in Council dated the sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and three, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 56, of the ninth day of the same month, rules were made for the classification of ships and as to life-saving appliances for ships:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and three, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 77, of the first

day of October, one thousand nine hundred and three, it was ordered that such rules shall come and be in force on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and four:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-third day of November, one thousand nine hundred and three, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 90, of the twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and three, certain of the said rules were rescinded and others made in lieu thereof, others of the said rules were varied, and the time altered at which such rules shall come into force:

And whereas it is desirable to vary clause five of the general rules as amended by the hereinbefore-recited Order in Council of the twenty-third day of November, one thousand nine hundred and three, so far as relates to the boats required to be carried by vessels coming under Division A, Class 4, and Division C, Class 1:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act Amendment Act, 1894," and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby vary clause five of the general rules made by the said Order in Council of the twenty-third day of November, one thousand nine hundred and three, so far as relates to the boats required to be carried by vessels coming under Division A, Class 4, and Division C, Class 1, of the rules made by the said Order in Council of the sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and three, by adding to the said clause five the following further provision after the second proviso to the clause:—

"Provided further that in the case of boats required to be carried under Division A, Class 4, and Division C, Class 1, where the boats required by the rules are in excess of four in number, three-fourths only of the number of boats required to be carried need be supplied with provisions."

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

Appointing Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the local authority of the Borough of Hampden, being duly authorised by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," to appoint, by special resolution, in the month of January, one thousand nine hundred and four, the day on which shops in the said borough are to be closed in accordance with the said Act, has failed so to appoint a day:

Now, therefore, 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, and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by section ten of the said Act, do hereby appoint Wednesday to be the day on which shops shall be closed in the said borough in accordance with the said Act.

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

Appointing Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the local authority of the Borough of Ngaruawahia, being duly authorised by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," to appoint, by special resolution, in the month of January, one thousand nine hundred and four, the day on which shops in the said borough are to be closed in accordance with the said Act, has failed so to appoint a day:

Now, therefore, 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, and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by section ten of the said Act, do hereby appoint Wednesday to be the day on which shops shall be closed in the said borough in accordance with the said Act.

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

Appointing Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of March, 1904.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE J. MCGOWAN PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the local authority of the Borough of Cromwell, being duly authorised by "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," to appoint, by special resolution, in the month of January, one thousand nine hundred and four, the day on which shops in the said borough are to be closed in accordance with the said Act, has failed so to appoint a day:

Now, therefore, 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, and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by section ten of the said Act, do hereby appoint Wednesday to be the day on which shops shall be closed in the said borough in accordance with the said Act.

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

Native Land proposed to be taken for a Road through Muhunoa 3A 1E No. 1, Waitohu Survey District.

RANFURLY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this eighth day of March, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a public work, to wit, for the purpose of a road in Muhunoa 3A 1E No. 1 Block, Waitohu Survey District:

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

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

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. B. P. 0 0 37	Muhunoa 3A 1E No. 1	II.	Waitohu	R. 4909A	Blue.

In the Wellington 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.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Land taken for a Native School at Kenana.

RANFURLY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this second day of March, 1904.

Present:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

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

And whereas the Native owners have agreed to make a free gift of the said land to His Majesty the King, and it has been made to appear that such agreement is sufficient for the purposes intended to be effected thereby:

And whereas by an order of the Native Appellate Court, bearing date the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and two, certain aboriginal natives, as in the said order mentioned, were declared to be the owners of the Kohumaru Number One Block, within which the said land is situated:

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

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

SCHEDULE.

KENANA NATIVE-SCHOOL SITE.

Approximate Area.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked
A. R. P. 2 0 0	Kohumaru No. 1 Block	X.	Mangonui ..	N.S. 03/244.

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Trustees for the Kaitawa Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

JAMES HENDERSON and
ANDREW KNOX

to be Trustees, in the place of Michael Hodgins and Walter George Syder, who have left the district, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Kaitawa Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

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Trustees for the Mamaku Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
William Charles Forsdiok, Thomas Edwin Roe, Robert Stevenson Wake, Thomas Blagden Brown, and Walter Steele.	MAMAKU. All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being Section No. 18, Block XIV., Rotorua Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Paponga Street, 1000 links; thence towards the north-east by Maire Street, 500 links; thence towards the south-east by a line at right angles in a south-westerly direction, 1000 links; and thence towards the south-west by a line at right angles in a north-westerly direction, 500 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 50675, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Eastern Bush Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Richard Pearce, Peter Allen, William Scobie, David Young, and John McCall.	EASTERN BUSH. All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 4 acres and 19 perches, more or less, situated in the Town of Eastern Bush, being Section No. 6, Block II. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 7 in the said block; towards the east, again towards the north, and again towards the east by Wairaki Street; towards the south by Southern Road; and towards the west by Section No. 5 in the said Block: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Uruti Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Cornelius O'Sullivan, George Albert Jupp, and James Jerry Waite.	URUTI. All that parcel of land in Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 3 roods 24 perches, more or less, being Section No. 28, Block II., Upper Waitara Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east and east by Moki Road; towards the south by Section No. 17 of said block and survey district; and towards the west by Section No. 8 of said block and survey district: as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 51900, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Marua Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Henry Hambrook Hawkins, James Wilson, John Alexander McInnes, William Rattray Matheson, and Thomas Latta.	MARUA. All that area in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 15 of Block XI., Opuawhanga Survey District, containing by admeasurement 6 acres 3 roods 1 perch, more or less. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 508 links; towards the east by a public road, 836, 878, and 77 links; towards the south by a public road, 286 and 168 links; and towards the west by Section No. 1 of Block XI., Opuawhanga Survey District, 1217 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated upon plan marked S.G. 51249, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustee for the Wainui Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

ANDREW JACK

to be a Trustee, in the place of William Lamont, deceased, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Wainui Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustee for the Waikaka Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

SAMUEL ALEXANDER McINTOSH

to be a Trustee, in the place of William Ayson, resigned, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Waikaka Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Matakoho Public Cemetery appointed.

RANFURLY, Governor.

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

THOMAS ISBISTER and
JAMES MORELL METCALFE

to be Trustees, in the place of John Isbister, deceased, and Joseph Isbister, resigned, to provide for the maintenance and care of the Matakoho Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons previously appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

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

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Lands.

Post and Telegraph Officer to take Declarations under "The Post Office Act, 1900."

RANFURLY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by "The Post Office Act, 1900," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby authorise the under-mentioned Post officer to take statutory declarations of Postmasters and other Post officers, as prescribed by sub-section one, section ten, of the said Act, namely:—

POSTMASTER.

First Grade.

Haszard, Sidney Fade, Postmaster, Hastings.

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

J. G. WARD,
Postmaster-General.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

DONALD CAMERON

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

J. G. WARD.

Officer under the Fisheries Conservation Acts appointed, Westland.

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

IT is hereby notified that

DONALD CAMERON,

of Kanieri, Westland, 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.

Clerk of Court, &c., appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 22nd March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable MICHAEL JOSEPH WILDERMOTH

to be Clerk of the Magistrate's Court at South Rakaia, and also to be Clerk of the Licensing Committee for the District of Selwyn, from the 8th instant, vice Constable T. Griffith, transferred.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Justice.

Public Vaccinators appointed.

Department of Public Health,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the undermentioned persons to be Public Vaccinators, under "The Public Health Act, 1900," for the districts set opposite their names respectively, namely:—

Name.	District.
DAVID GAULT, Esq., L.R.C.P. L.R.C.S. Edin. 1880	Blueskin.
ALFRED MORISON SAUNDERS, Esq., M.B. Ch.M. D.P.H. 1888 Univ. Aberd.	Cheviot.
CHARLES GEORGE FREDERICK MORICE, Esq., M.R.C.S. Eng. 1892, L.R.C.P. Lond. 1892, M.D. Brux. 1892	Grey.

J. G. WARD,
Minister of Public Health.

Inspectors of Factories appointed.

Department of Labour,
Wellington, 22nd March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

SAMUEL TYSON and
Constable JAMES KERR SIMPSON

Inspectors of Factories under "The Factories Act, 1901," as from the 18th March, 1904.

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Minister of Labour.

Public Vaccinator resigned.

Department of Public Health,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1904.

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

FREDERICK JAMES WATSON, Esq., M.B., &c., from the position of Public Vaccinator, under "The Public Health Act, 1900," for the District of Rangitikei, as from the 31st March, 1904.

J. G. WARD,
Minister of Public Health.

Volunteer Officers promoted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the promotion of the undermentioned officers:—

Tauranga Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Gerard Arnold Ward to be Captain. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

No. 1 Battalion, Wellington (West Coast) Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Major James Paton Watt to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Date of commission, 1st March, 1904.

No. 3 Battalion, Wellington (Manawatu) Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Acting Major Charles Thomas Tatum to be Major. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Albert George Le Fevre to be Captain. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

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

A Battery, New Zealand Field Artillery Volunteers.

Ferdinand August Wood to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

No. 4 Company, New Zealand Engineer Volunteers (Auckland Engineer Volunteers).

Archibald Carpenter to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

1st Battalion, Nelson Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Alfred John Stringer to be Lieutenant (Pay- and Quartermaster). Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.

George Edward Rhodes to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Ellesmere Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Malcolm Dixon to be Captain. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Seddon Horse Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant William Read Bloomfield to be Captain. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Tauranga Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

John Mackintosh Roberts, jun., to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Mangonui Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Ludolph Joseph Matthews to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Rodney Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Eric Arthur Lee Croker to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Te Puke Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Percy Francis Boucher to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Livingstone Frazer-Hurst to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Temuka Rifle Volunteers.

William Fergus Paterson to be Captain. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Alfred Andrew Sutherland Hintz to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Thames Rifle Volunteers.

Henry Joseph Pearse to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Ashburton Rifle Volunteers.

George Daniel Hollis Hefford to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.

William Smeaton Clark to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

No. 3 Company, Ohinemuri Rifle Volunteers.

William Mandeno Jackson to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Dannevirke Rifle Volunteers.

Frederick Alexander Harrison to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Linwood Rifle Volunteers.

William Samuel King to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Civil Service Rifle Volunteers (Christchurch).

Joseph Willis to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Whangarei Rifle Volunteers.

Charles Edward Dee to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Kawakawa Rifle Volunteers.

George Adam Davidson to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Waihi Rifle Volunteers.

Roderick Alexander McMillan to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

Hikurangi Rifle Volunteers.

George Coutts to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1903.

New Zealand Volunteer Medical Staff.

Henry Thomas Dawson to be Surgeon-Captain. Date of commission, 22nd May, 1900.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officers resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

THE resignations of the undermentioned officers have been accepted by His Excellency the Governor:—

Pukekohe Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Henry Dell. Date of resignation, 10th February, 1904.

Mackenzie Mounted Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Francis Henry Smith. Date of resignation, 8th February, 1904.

Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant John Tild Swindley. Date of resignation, 26th January, 1904.

Honorary Chaplain the Reverend Joseph S. Smalley. Date of resignation, 3rd November, 1903.

New Zealand Volunteer Medical Staff.

Surgeon-Captain James Dalziel. Date of resignation, 5th February, 1904.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer resigned, and placed on New Zealand Militia Active List.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by

Lieutenant-Colonel LAMBERT WILLIAM LOVEDAY, V.D., from the command of No. 2 Battalion, Wellington (Wairarapa) Mounted Rifle Volunteers, and to approve that his name be placed on the New Zealand Militia Active List, with rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, and with effect from 4th January, 1904.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

New Zealand Militia.—Officer placed on Active List.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

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

ARTHUR BAUCHOP, C.M.G.

(late Major 7th New Zealand Contingent), be placed on the New Zealand Militia Active List, with rank of Major, and with effect from 12th June, 1901.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officer transferred to Battalion.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

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

Captain ROBERT LOGAN

from the Maniototo Mounted Rifle Volunteers to the No. 1 Battalion Otago Mounted Rifle Volunteers, with rank of Major, and with effect from 19th January, 1904.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

1st Battalion Otago Rifle Volunteers divided into Two Battalions.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve that the 1st Battalion Otago Rifle Volunteers, which at present consists of fourteen companies and a Cycle Company, be divided into two battalions of Rifle Volunteers, to be designated 1st and 4th Battalions of Otago Rifle Volunteers, which will consist of the undermentioned companies respectively, the present battalion staff to form that of the 1st Battalion Otago Rifle Volunteers:—

1st Battalion Otago Rifle Volunteers (Headquarters, Dunedin).

- A Company—Dunedin City Guards Volunteers.
- B " North Dunedin Rifle Volunteers.
- C " Dunedin Highland Rifle Volunteers.
- D " Dunedin City Rifle Volunteers.
- E " Dunedin Rifle Volunteers.
- F " Wakari Rifle Volunteers.
- G " Caversham Rifle Volunteers.
- H " Green Island Rifle Volunteers.

Dunedin Volunteer Cycle Corps.

The above battalion to retain its original date of seniority—viz., 20th May, 1898.

4th Battalion Otago Rifle Volunteers (Headquarters, Milton).

- A Company—Bruce Rifle Volunteers.
- B " East Taieri Rifle Volunteers.
- C " Kaitangata Rifle Volunteers.
- D " Owaka Rifle Volunteers.
- E " Clutha Rifle Volunteers.
- F " Popotunoa Rifle Volunteers.

With effect from 2nd March, 1904.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Commission of Volunteer Officer cancelled.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve, under clause 5, (1), "The Defence Act, 1886," and paragraph 64, Volunteer Regulations, that the commissions issued to

Surgeon-Captain FRANCIS COURTNEY S. FORBES, New Zealand Militia and New Zealand Volunteer Medical Staff,

be cancelled, he having left the colony without leave, and with effect from 1st March, 1904.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Award of Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long-service Medal.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the award of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long-service Medal to

Captain JOHN JOSEPH DOUGALL, Active List, New Zealand Volunteers (late Canterbury Engineer Volunteers),

he having, to the 1st September, 1902, a total efficient service entitling him thereto of twenty-two years four months and eighteen days.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

Award of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the award of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration to

Lieutenant THOMAS HAYES, Ashburton Rifle Volunteers, he having, to the 29th February, 1904, a total rank and commissioned service entitling him thereto of twenty years and four days.

ALBERT PITT,
For Minister of Defence.

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

The Treasury,
Wellington, 18th March, 1904.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF GREYMOOUTH.

Special Order.

NOTICE is hereby given that a special meeting of the Greymouth Borough Council was held on the 10th day of March, 1904, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of confirming a resolution passed at a special meeting of the said Council held on the 11th day of February, 1904. The resolution was as follows, viz.:-

"In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by 'The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901,' the Greymouth Borough Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £5,000, authorised to be raised by the Greymouth Borough Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for waterworks (£2,500) and street improvements (£2,500), the said Greymouth Borough Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 1d. in the pound upon the rateable value of all rateable property of the Borough of Greymouth; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 1st day of January and the 1st day of July in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of eight years ending 31st December, 1911, or until the loan is fully paid off."

JESSE STEER,
Mayor, Greymouth.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the special order made by the Greymouth Borough Council on the 11th day of February, 1904, and confirmed on the 10th day of March, 1904.

EDWARD IVEAGH LORD,
Town Clerk, Greymouth.

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

The Treasury,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

PAHIATUA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Special Order making Special Rate.—Loan 65.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Pahiatua County Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing interest and other charges on a loan of £800, authorised to be raised by the Pahiatua County Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the purpose of clearing, forming, and metalling the Range Road from a point 1 chain east of the eastern boundary of Section 1, Block II., Mangahao, to a point 1 chain west of the western boundary of Section 12, Block XIX., Mangahao (such work to be done in conjunction with the Kairanga County Council out of loan raised by that body for that purpose), the said Pahiatua County Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 4½d. in the pound upon the unimproved rateable valuation of all rateable property of the Range Road Special-rating District, comprising Sections 2, 4, 6, Block II., and Sections 1, 5, 7, 12, and 13, Block XIX., all in the Mangahao Survey District; and such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable on the 1st day of April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, at 3½ per cent. per annum, or until the loan is fully paid off.

I hereby certify that the above special order was duly made and passed at a special meeting of the Pahiatua County Council on the 6th February, 1904, and confirmed on the 5th March, 1904.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
Chairman.

Special Order made by the Akaroa and Wainui Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

AKAROA AND WAINUI ROAD BOARD.

Special Order making Special Rate.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Akaroa and Wainui Road Board hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges, at the rate of £5 per centum per annum, on a loan of £6,000, authorised to be raised by the Akaroa and Wainui Road Board under the above-mentioned Act for the purpose of metalling the roads in the Akaroa and Wainui Road District specified in the Schedule hereto, at the approximate cost set opposite each such road, the said Akaroa and Wainui Road Board hereby makes and levies a special rate of ½d. in the pound upon the rateable value of all rateable property of the Akaroa and Wainui Road District, comprising the whole of the land included in such road district, and the boundaries of which road district are defined on page 953 of the New Zealand Government Gazette, 1884, No. 70; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 1st day of February and the 1st day of August in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of twenty-six years, or until the loan is fully paid off.

SCHEDULE.

1. Wainui Valley Road, from post-office to Sadler's Bridge; estimated length, 108 chains; cost, £224.
2. Wainui Main Road, from Wilson's to Wainui Valley Road (unmetalled portions); estimated length, 80 chains; cost, £200.
3. Wainui Cemetery Road; estimated length, 40 chains; cost, £150.
4. Bossu Road, from Island to Buckland's gate; estimated length, 50 chains; cost, £150.
5. Jubilee Road, from beach upwards 14 chains, and from Kennedy's Bridge upwards 60 chains; cost, £222.
6. A. McDonald's Road; estimated length, 38 chains; cost, £85.
7. William Wright's Road; estimated length, 34 chains; cost, £85.
8. Barry's Bay Valley Road, from end of present metal to Latter's gate; estimated length, 50 chains; cost, £125.
9. Old Pigeon Bay Road, from Coach Road to Summit; estimated length, 98 chains; cost, £294.
10. Terawera Valley Road, from boundary of road district to junction of Harman's Track and Montgomery's Road; estimated length, 86 chains; cost, £301.

11. Vauston's Road, 23 chains (13 chains at top and 10 chains at bottom); cost, £56.

12. Allan's Road, from end of present metal to Smith's Road; estimated length, 17 chains; cost, £51.

13. Pawron's Valley Road, from end of present metal to Cossar's trap-shed; estimated distance, 34 chains; cost, £85.

14. Okain's Main Road, from Coach Road to Summit; estimated length, 260 chains; cost, £780.

15. Robinson's Bay New Valley Road, from Valley Road to A. Hewitt's, 100 chains; cost, £300.

16. German Bay Beach Road, from Valley Road to Mrs. Hartley's; estimated length, 50 chains; cost, £150.

17. Le Bon's Road, from Mora's Gate to Harrington's Road; estimated length, 42 chains; cost, £126.

18. Long Bay Road, from Coach Road to Gough's Bay Saddle; estimated length, 300 chains; cost, £900.

19. Hickory Road, from Long Bay Summit to turn on Hickory side; estimated length, 117 chains; cost, £351.

20. Old Akaroa Road, from top of German Bay Hill to beach; estimated length, 50 chains; cost, £165.

21. W. Hewitt's Road, from Old Akaroa Road to Long Bay Road; estimated length, 49 chains; cost, £150.

22. Grehan Valley Road, from end of present metal upwards, 66 chains; cost, £198.

23. Kaik Road, 182 chains of unmetalled pieces; cost, £546.

24. Brown's Road; estimated distance, 35 chains from German Bay Valley Road upwards; cost, £105.

25. Ferris's Road, from end of present metal upwards, 10 chains; cost, £30.

26. Aymer's Valley Road, 15 chains of unmetalled portions; cost, £45.

Contingencies, £156.

I, John Robert Newton, of Akaroa, farmer, the Chairman of the Akaroa and Wainui Road Board, do hereby certify that the foregoing special order was duly passed at a meeting of the said Board held on the 12th day of March, 1904.

JOHN R. NEWTON,
Chairman.

The common seal of the Akaroa and Wainui Road Board was hereto affixed at a meeting of the said Board on the 12th day of March, 1904, in the presence of—

GEO. CHECKLEY, } Members.
JOHN NEWBEGIN, }

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

The Treasury,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

PAHIATUA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Special Order making Special Rate.—Loan 68.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Pahiatua County Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £200, authorised to be raised by the Pahiatua County Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the purpose of metalling the Woodville-Ngatari Road from present metal at Section 4, Block V., Makuri, to metal at Section 47, Block IV., Makuri, and forming and metalling the Kohinui Road from its junction with Ngaturi-Woodville Road up to first bridge on the said road (the work to be done in conjunction with Government subsidy), the said Pahiatua County Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{3}{4}$ d. in the pound upon the unimproved rateable value of all rateable property of the Kohinui Special-rating District, comprising Sections 3, 4, 13, 14, 15, 1, 2, 12, 5, 11, 16, 17, and 10, Block V., Sections part 47 (200 acres) and part 48 (300 acres), Block IV., all in the Makuri Survey District; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable on the 1st day of April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, at 4 per cent. per annum, or until the loan is fully paid off.

The above special order was duly made and passed at a special meeting of the Pahiatua County Council on the 23rd December, 1903, and confirmed at a special meeting of the said Council on the 6th February, 1904.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
Chairman.

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

The Treasury,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

PAHIATUA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Special Order making Special Rate.—Loan 69.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Pahiatua County Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £200, authorised to be raised by the Pahiatua County Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the purpose of metalling that portion of the Central Ridge Road, Mangahao, opposite Sections 60, 69, Block X., and part of Section 70, Block XIV., Mangahao Survey District, the said Pahiatua County Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the pound upon the unimproved rateable valuation of all the rateable property of the Central Ridge Road Special-rating District, comprising the sections which are to be rated in proportions set forth as follows: Sections 63 and 64, Block XIV., and Section 69, Block X., to be half-rated; Sections 70 and 71, Block XIV., to be full rated: all the sections mentioned being in the Mangahao Survey District; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable on the 1st day of April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, at 4 per cent. per annum, or until the loan is fully paid off.

The above special order was duly made and passed at a special meeting of the Pahiatua County Council on the 23rd December, 1903, and confirmed at a special meeting of the said Council on the 6th February, 1904.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
Chairman.

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

The Treasury,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

PAHIATUA COUNTY COUNCIL.

Special Order making Special Rate.—Loan 66.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901," the Pahiatua County Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing interest and other charges on a loan of £150, authorised to be raised by the Pahiatua County Council, under the above-named Act, for the purpose of forming and metalling about 32 chains of Avery's Road, starting from the Main Road, the said Pahiatua County Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{3}{4}$ d. in the pound upon the unimproved rateable value of all rateable property of the Avery's Road Special-rating District, comprising Sections 2 and 3, Block XI., Mangahao Survey District; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable on the 1st day of April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum, or until the loan is fully paid off.

I hereby certify that the above special order was duly made and passed at a special meeting of the Pahiatua County Council on the 9th January, 1904, and confirmed on the 6th February, 1904.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
Chairman.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

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

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

BOROUGH OF HOKITIKA.

I, HENRY LESLIE MICHEL, Mayor of the Borough of Hokitika, hereby give notice that the result of the poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Hokitika taken at Hokitika on the 11th day of March, 1904, on the proposal—"That under and by virtue of the provisions of 'The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900,' and 'The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901,' the Hokitika Borough Council proposes to borrow, by way of special loan, the sum of £23,000 for the following purposes: £10,000 for the construction of drainage-works for the Borough of Hokitika; £4,000 for the construction of water-supply works for the Borough of Hokitika; £5,000 for the construction of other sanitary works, namely, sewers, for the Borough of Hokitika; £4,000 for the purpose of making streets within the Borough of Hokitika: total, £23,000: such loan to bear interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum for a period of forty-one years, at the expiration of which period the liability of the said Council shall cease without further payment; and for the purpose of providing security and making provision for the payment of interest and the repayment of the said loan it is proposed to make and levy an annual-recurring special rate of $5\frac{1}{16}$ d. in the pound on the unimproved value of the rateable property in the Borough of Hokitika; it is also proposed to pay out of the said loan the cost of raising the same, and the interest thereon for the first year"—was as follows:—

Number of votes recorded for the proposal, 193; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 185; informal, 4.

I therefore declare the said proposal to be carried.

Town Hall, Hokitika, 11th March, 1904.

H. L. MICHEL,
Mayor.

Notice to Mariners No. 23 of 1904.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 18th March, 1904.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 65 of 1903, issued by this Department on the 14th September last, the following notice, received from the Chief Harbourmaster, Fremantle, Western Australia, is published for general information.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Marine.

FINAL NOTICE.—WESTERN AUSTRALIA, WEST COAST.

THE Government of Western Australia give notice that on and after the 15th day of April, 1904, a double-flashing white dioptric light, showing two flashes in quick succession every ten seconds, thus—flash, 0.15 second; eclipse, 2.5 seconds; flash, 0.15 second; eclipse, 7.2 seconds—will be exhibited from a masonry tower of a natural grey colour, 33 ft. in height from the ground-level to the lantern-gallery, and approximately 62 ft. in height from the ground-level to the wind-vane, erected in latitude 33° 32' south, longitude 115° 2' east, about 1 mile south 67° east from the extremity of Cape Naturaliste, at the western entrance to Geographe Bay. The focal plane of the light will be elevated at a height of 404 ft. above sea-level, and will be visible between the bearings of north 20° east and north 63° west (bearing magnetic and given from seaward). The light will be visible in clear weather from a distance of 29 nautical miles.

Charts affected: 1034, Cape Naturaliste to King George's Sound; 1033, Champion Bay to Cape Naturaliste.

C. J. IRVINE,
Chief Harbourmaster.
Harbourmaster's Office,
Fremantle, 5th February, 1904.

Notice to Mariners No. 24 of 1904.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 19 of 1904, issued by this Department on the 8th instant, the following notice, received from the Department of Ports and Harbours, Melbourne, Victoria, is published for general information.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister of Marine.

VICTORIA.

Port of Port Phillip.—Point Gellibrand Light-vessel.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners, Victoria, No. 97, dated 8th February, 1904, it is hereby notified that the Gellibrand Light-vessel has been removed in position, and the temporary gas buoy has been removed.

C. W. MACLEAN,
Port Officer.
Melbourne, 25th February, 1904.

Tenders.

Public Works Department,
Wellington, 22nd March, 1904.

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

JAS. MCGOWAN,
Acting Minister for Public Works.

SUNNYSIDE AUXILIARY ASYLUM ADDITIONS CONTRACT.

Accepted.

	£	s.	d.
J. Smith, 275, St. Asaph Street West, Christchurch	1,692	0	0

Declined.

Graham and Greig, St. Asaph Street, Christchurch	1,834	0	0
John H. Maynard, Christchurch	1,896	0	0
W. and A. Gee, 239, Tuam Street, Christchurch	1,977	8	0
Peter Hyndman, 321, Colombo Street, Christchurch	2,057	0	0
F. Turvey, Woolston	2,089	0	0

Disestablishment of Palmerston North District High School and Establishment of High School.

Education Department,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1904.

UNDER the authority conferred upon the Minister of Education by "The Secondary Schools Act, 1903," I do hereby, as from the 1st day of April, 1904, disestablish the Palmerston North District High School, and as from the same date do establish in the Town of Palmerston North a high school, to be called "The Palmerston North High School"; and I do hereby appoint Monday, the 11th April, 1904, as the day for the first election of Governors by the parents of the pupils, and WALTER RUTHERFURD, Accountant, of Palmerston North, to be the Returning Officer in respect of such election.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Education.

Scheme for the Control of Palmerston North High School (established 1904, under Section 6 of "The Secondary Schools Act, 1903").

IN accordance with the provisions of "The Secondary Schools Act, 1903" (hereinafter called "the Act"), and with the powers thereunder, the following shall be the scheme for the Palmerston North High School (hereinafter called "the school"), which is established under section 6 of the Act.

1. The school shall be controlled by a Board of Governors under the name of "The Board of Governors of the Palmerston North High School" (hereinafter called "the Board"). The Board shall be a body corporate, shall have a perpetual succession and a common seal, and may acquire and hold lands, and sue and be sued, and may do and suffer all such things as corporate bodies may do and suffer.

2. There shall be nine Governors, of whom a group of three shall be appointed by His Excellency the Governor, and a group of three shall be elected by the parents of the pupils.

3. The Governors appointed by the Wanganui Education Board shall be appointed by a resolution of such Board, and the first appointment shall be made not later than thirty days after the first publication of this scheme in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

4. In regard to the election of Governors by the parents of the pupils the following provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) The first election shall be held on a date to be appointed by the Minister, and thereafter every such election shall be held on a date to be fixed by the Board in accordance with this scheme.
- (2.) The Returning Officer shall, in the case of the first election, be a person appointed by the Minister, but thereafter the Secretary to the Board of Governors shall be the Returning Officer.
- (3.) For the purposes of the election of Governors by the parents of the pupils the Returning Officer shall prepare a roll, and shall enter therein the name, occupation, and address of every person qualified to be enrolled as a parent of a pupil of the school.

"Parent" means the father, if he be living, or, if not, the mother, or, if neither the father nor the mother be living, the guardian, of a pupil of the school.

A "pupil of the school" means, in the case of the first election, a pupil as referred to in subsection (1) of section 6 of the Act, and thereafter a pupil whose name is on the school roll, and who has been in actual attendance at the school at any time within the three months immediately preceding the closing of the roll. The roll shall be closed at 5 o'clock on the fourteenth day next before the day on which any election is to be held, and shall continue to be closed until the election is completed.

- (4.) The Returning Officer shall, by advertisement in a newspaper circulating in the district, publicly notify, not less than fourteen days before each election—

(a.) The day and hour for the closing of the election;

(b.) The total number of candidates to be elected;

(c.) The day and hour for the closing of nominations.

- (5.) Every candidate shall be nominated in writing by one or more parents entitled to vote for his election.

Each such parent may nominate any number of candidates not exceeding the number to be elected.

- (6.) Every nomination-paper shall be in the form or to the effect following:—

I, [Name and address], being a parent duly entered on the roll, do hereby nominate [Name and address] as a candidate for election to the Board of Governors of the Palmerston North High School at the election to be held on the day of

Dated this day of

Candidate's Consent, to be subscribed at foot of Nomination-paper.

I hereby consent to my nomination.

[Signature of candidate nominated.]

- (7.) If the nomination-paper does not bear the written consent of the candidate nominated such consent may be given by him to the Returning Officer before the nominations are closed, and every nomination-paper shall be void in so far as concerns any candidate whose consent is not duly given as aforesaid.

- (8.) Nominations shall close at noon on the tenth day before the day of the election.

- (9.) Forthwith after the nominations are closed the Returning Officer shall prepare and post to each elector at his address as appearing on the roll a printed voting-paper containing in alphabetical order of surnames a list of all the duly nominated candidates for whom such parent is entitled to vote; and such voting-paper shall be in the form or to the effect following:—

VOTING-PAPER for use at Election to be held on the day of 19 of Governor of the Palmerston North High School.

CANDIDATES.

[Set out in alphabetical order of surnames the full name of every duly nominated candidate.]

DIRECTIONS.

The number of candidates to be elected is [Specify the number].

The voter may draw a line through the name of every candidate for whom he does not intend to vote; and the number of candidates whose names are left uncancelled must not exceed the total number of candidates for whom the voter is entitled to vote.

This voting-paper must be signed by the voter and enclosed in a sealed envelope, and if posted to the Returning Officer must be posted on or before the day of election, or not later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day.

The vote of [Name of voter] is hereby recorded as above, this day of 19 .

[Signature of voter.]

- (10.) The voting-paper if delivered to the Returning Officer must be delivered in a sealed envelope before the day of election, or not later than 5 o'clock of the afternoon of that day, and if posted to him must be posted in a sealed envelope on or before that day.

- (11.) The poll shall close at 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the day of election; but all voting-papers shall be included and counted which are received by the Returning Officer in due course of post before the close of the sixth day after the day of the election.

- (12.) A voting-paper shall be informal in any of the following cases, that is to say,—

(a.) If it is not duly signed by the parent; or

(b.) If the candidates whose names are left uncancelled exceed in number the total number of candidates for whom the parent is entitled to vote; or

(c.) If, being delivered to the Returning Officer, the sealed envelope containing the voting-paper is not delivered at his office before the close of the poll; or

(d.) If, having been forwarded by post, the sealed envelope containing the voting-paper is not received at the office of the Returning Officer before the seventh day after the day of election, or if, from the post-mark on the envelope or otherwise, the Returning Officer is satisfied that it was not posted until after the day of the election.

- (13.) On the seventh day after the day of the election the Returning Officer shall open and examine all voting-papers duly delivered to him or received by him through the post as aforesaid, and, after rejecting all informal voting-papers, shall ascertain the candidates (not exceeding the total number to be elected) who have received the greatest number of votes of such parents, and shall declare such candidates to be elected.

- (14.) If, by reason of an equality of votes given for two or more candidates, the election is not complete, the Returning Officer shall decide by lot, in the presence of the Chairman of the Board, which candidate or candidates shall be elected, and thereby conclude the election.

- (15.) Forthwith after the completion of the election the Returning Officer shall notify to the Board and to the Minister the names of the persons elected.

- (16.) If any dispute or question shall arise touching the regularity of any election, such dispute or question shall be determined by a Stipendiary Magistrate in manner provided by "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," all the provisions of which shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply in so far as the same are applicable.

5. The Governors appointed or elected in the year 1904 shall take office immediately on their appointment.

6. One Governor out of each group shall retire on the 31st December in each year, beginning with the year 1904. The Board shall at its first meeting determine by lot the order in which the Governors shall retire, but, with these exceptions, the ordinary term of office of each Governor shall be three years, or until the appointment or election of his successor.

Retiring Governors shall be eligible for reappointment.

7. (1.) If any Governor—

(a.) Dies, or, by letter to the Board of Governors, resigns his seat; or

(b.) Becomes bankrupt or of unsound mind; or

(c.) Fails, without leave of absence previously granted, to attend at three consecutive ordinary meetings of the Governors—

he shall thereupon cease to be a Governor, and the vacancy thereby occurring shall be deemed to be a casual vacancy.

(2.) Every casual vacancy shall be filled up in the same manner and by the same appointing authority as in the case of the vacating Governor: Provided that the member appointed shall hold office only for the residue of the term of the vacating member.

(3.) Whenever a casual vacancy occurs it shall be the duty of the Board forthwith to report the fact to the Minister of Education if the vacancy is to be filled by the Governor, or to the Secretary to the Wanganui Education Board if the vacancy is to be filled by such Board.

8. (1.) The appointment of a Governor to fill up a vacancy caused by the expiry of the ordinary term of office shall be made in the first week of the month of December next preceding such expiry, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient, but shall not take effect until such expiry.

(2.) The appointment of a Governor to fill up a casual vacancy shall be made not later than sixty days after the vacancy occurs.

9. The Board shall hold an annual meeting in the month of February or March in each year, at such time and place as the Board shall direct.

10. At its first meeting, and from time to time thereafter as may be necessary, the Board shall appoint a Secretary, and shall appoint him or some other person with authority to receive and to pay moneys on its account. The Board shall in each case forthwith inform the Minister of such appointment.

11. (1.) The Board shall hold its first meeting at such time and place as the Minister shall appoint.

(2.) At such meeting, and thereafter at the annual meeting, and at such other times as may be necessary, the Board shall elect a Chairman.

(3.) During the first election of Chairman a person appointed by the Minister shall preside, and during every subsequent election of Chairman the Secretary to the Board of Governors shall preside. The person presiding shall have no vote; ties shall be decided by lot.

(4.) The Chairman's ordinary term of office shall be one year, and he shall be eligible for re-election.

(5.) If the Chairman shall from any cause cease to be a member of the Board or resign the office of Chairman, the Board shall as soon thereafter as conveniently may be elect another member of the Board to be Chairman in his stead, who shall hold office only until the next annual election of a Chairman as hereinbefore provided.

12. At all meetings of the Board the Chairman, or in his absence such member of the Board as the majority of the members assembled shall choose, shall preside, and such Chairman or presiding member shall have a deliberative vote, and in all cases of equality of votes shall also have a casting-vote.

At all meetings of the Board a majority of all the Governors then in office shall constitute a quorum.

13. Subject to the provisions of this scheme, there shall be vested in the Board the whole control and management of the Palmerston North High School, and also the entire superintendence over all the affairs, concerns, and property thereof, with full power to appoint and dismiss all masters, teachers, lecturers, examiners, and other necessary officers and servants; and in all cases unprovided for by the Act and the regulations thereunder, or by this scheme, it shall be lawful for the Board to act in such manner as shall appear to it best calculated to further the purposes intended to be served by the establishment of such school; and the Board shall, subject to the Act and the regulations thereunder, and to this scheme, have full power from time to time to make, alter, and rescind by-laws and regulations for defining the course of study and education in the school, and also for regulating the discipline and examination of the same, the conditions upon which the scholars shall be admitted, and the fees to be paid in respect of such admission, and, in general, touching all other matters, purposes, and things regarding the school.

14. (1.) The curriculum shall be framed so as to provide suitable secondary education for pupils intended for professional, agricultural, commercial, technical, and domestic occupations, and may include, subject to clause 15 hereof, with the sanction of the Board, any or all of the subjects named in the regulations under the Act, and such other subjects as the Minister may from time to time approve.

(2.) The programme of each pupil shall be determined by the headmaster of the school after consultation with the parents or guardian of the pupil; but no pupils shall be compelled to take Latin or to take more than one language besides English.

(3.) The net fees to be charged to those who are not holders of scholarships or free places shall be £10 per annum.

(4.) The school year shall consist of three terms of about thirteen weeks each.

(5.) The headmaster shall examine the school at the end of each term, provided that it shall not be necessary for him to examine the school in any term in which it is examined by some other person appointed by the Minister or the Board.

15. Subject to the general direction of the Governors—

(1.) The headmaster shall have control of the school buildings and premises and of the apparatus and furniture thereof.

(2.) He shall have the power to recommend the appointment or dismissal of assistant teachers or of other officers of the school, and to allot their several duties; and no assistant teacher or other officer of the school shall be appointed until the headmaster has been consulted.

(3.) He shall have the power in case of grave neglect of duty or of gross misbehaviour to suspend any assistant teacher or other officer, but shall forthwith report his action to the Chairman, who shall thereupon confirm or overrule his action until the next meeting of the Board, when the matter may be determined; but the action of the headmaster shall hold good until the Chairman or the Board has determined the matter.

(4.) He shall be supreme over the discipline, and may suspend any pupil, reporting his action to the Board at their next meeting, and the action of the headmaster shall hold good until the Board has come to some determination in regard to the matter. He shall not expel any pupil without the sanction of the Board.

(5.) He shall regulate all text-books, methods, and organization in accordance with clause 14 hereof, and, subject to the same clause and to the regu-

lations under the Act, shall determine the course of study for each pupil. No prize shall be awarded without his approval.

16. The Board may license hostels or boardinghouses for the accommodation of pupils that have to live away from home, and may place such hostels or boardinghouses under the charge of teachers of the school or other suitable persons, and may provide for the inspection of such hostels or boardinghouses by any person appointed by the Board.

17. The Board may appoint a Secretary and a Treasurer, and define the duties attached to such positions.

Subject to the provisions of this scheme, the Board shall make, and may from time to time revoke, vary, and make fresh regulations for the conduct of business at its meetings, for determining how meetings shall be convened, and for such other like matters as may be requisite for the conduct of the business of the Board.

18. Minutes of the proceedings of the Board shall be regularly entered in a proper book to be kept for that purpose, and at every meeting of the Board the minutes of the previous meeting shall be read over and signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which the same shall be read, and the minutes when so signed shall be held to be a true statement and record of the proceedings of the Board for all purposes whatsoever.

19. The Board shall keep full and accurate accounts of all its receipts, disbursements, assets, liabilities, and engagements, and shall, on or before the 31st day of January of each year, cause the same to be audited by such person as His Excellency the Governor appoints; and copies of such accounts, when audited, shall be forwarded to the Minister of Education, together with a report of the proceedings of the Board during the previous year.

20. All things required by the Act or this scheme to be done by the Board shall be done in accordance with and in pursuance of a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board, and no act of the Board shall be invalid or liable to be questioned on the ground that one or more than one of the members thereof was or were incapacitated, or had ceased to hold office, or on the ground that the seat of any member was vacant.

21. The rents, profits, and income of all real and personal estate which may be vested in the Board, or granted or acquired as a site or sites or otherwise for the benefit of the school, or given, devised, or bequeathed to the Board for the benefit of the school without any trusts or powers of a different nature being expressed in the instrument so giving, devising, or bequeathing to the Board, and all reserves of land that may be hereafter made for the benefit of the school, shall be held and dealt with by the Board under and subject to the provisions of "The High School Reserves Act, 1880."

22. The rents, profits, and annual income of all real and personal estate that may be vested in the Board, together with all funds which may from time to time be derived from fees or payments made in respect of pupils attending the school, together with any annual or other allowance that may be made by the General Assembly or the Government of New Zealand, shall be applied by the Board for the maintenance of the school, and the payment of the salaries and expenses connected therewith, and for prizes, exhibitions, and scholarships for the pupils therein: Provided that the Board shall have power to set apart, if it see fit, out of the said rents, profits, and annual income such part as it considers advisable, either as an addition to the capital fund, which shall then be invested in the manner hereinafter mentioned and dealt with as part of such capital fund, or as reserve fund to meet extraordinary expenses, which shall be invested and dealt with in such manner as the Board directs.

23. With respect to any moneys bequeathed or given to the Board for the school, and with respect also to all rent, profit, and annual income set apart under the preceding section, the Board shall have power to invest the same in the purchase or upon first mortgages of freehold land in New Zealand, or upon the stocks, bonds, bills, or debentures of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, or issued by any local authority therein under any Act of the General Assembly, and may from time to time vary such investments.

24. The Board may, out of such moneys as may come into its hands by virtue of this Act or otherwise for the benefit of the school, expend any sum or sums in purchasing land and erecting and maintaining suitable buildings and premises thereon for use as school buildings, and may, subject to the approval of the Minister, expend any sum or sums in purchasing land and erecting and maintaining suitable buildings thereon for use as boardinghouses, or residences for the masters, teachers, or other officers employed in connection with the school.

25. (1.) The school shall be open at all times to inspection by the Inspector-General of Schools, and by any other person directed by the Minister to inspect the same.

(2.) Such inspection may include examination of the pupils in the subjects of instruction taught in the school.

Approved.

R. J. SEDDON,
Minister of Education.

Officers appointed.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 18th March, 1904.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Post and Telegraph Department.

J. G. WARD.
Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

PERMANENT.

Name.	Position.	Office.	Date.
Brian, Charles Edward	Letter-carrier	Wellington	23 Sept., 1903.
Courtney, James	"	Auckland	10 Aug., "
Curran, Henry John	Post-office Messenger	Wellington	1 Sept., "
Durry, William	Letter-carrier	Riverton	1 Aug., "
Evans, William Evan	Assistant P.O. Messenger	Greymouth	21 Sept., "
Hannan, John Joseph	Letter-carrier	Wellington	21 " "
Hewitt, Bertie	Cadet	Auckland C.P.O.	10 Sept., "
Ingram, Duncan Ritchie	Letter-carrier	Avondale	16 " "
Michelle, Ada Catherine Harvey	Cadette	Roxburgh	18 Aug., "
Ogilvie, William	Despatch Clerk	Oamaru	26 Feb., 1901.
Pattle, Hilda Mary	Cadette, Telephone Exchange	Dunedin	3 Aug., 1903.
Sanders, Owen Egmont	Letter-carrier	Stratford	16 Mar., "
Sinclair, John	"	Wellington	4 Oct., "
Williams, John Hercules	Assistant P.O. Messenger	Auckland	1 " "

NON-PERMANENT.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
POSTMASTERS AND TELEGRAPHISTS.			
<i>Railway Officers.</i>			
Davison, Samuel*	Ohingaiti	Wanganui	21 Dec., 1902.
Drummond, George	Greatford	"	28 Jan., 1904.
Harris, Edward John Hardy	Taumarunui	Auckland	1 " "
Parsons, Frederick Charles Angel	Burnham	Christchurch	9 " "
POSTMASTER.			
<i>Railway Officer.</i>			
McLeod, Norman	Waiaureka Junction	Oamaru	11 Jan., 1904.
POSTMASTER AND TELEPHONIST.			
<i>Railway Officer.</i>			
Applegarth, George Edward	Ranfurlly	Dunedin	4 Jan., 1904.
POSTMASTERS.			
Baker, Henry	Marima	Wellington	1 Feb., 1904.
Bayliss, Alice	Mangaoronga	"	1 Jan., "
Beer, George Archdall	Rapanui	Wanganui	16 " "
Biggar, Mary Maxwell	Waihoaka	Invercargill	3 Feb., "
Collins, Henry	Paiaka	Auckland	1 " "
Davidson, Robert	Springhills	Invercargill	1 Jan., "
Drummond, James	Braeburn	Nelson	1 " "
Dutton, Henry William	Mawheraiti	Greymouth	13 " "
Eyre, Charles	Pepepe	Auckland	1 " "
Farrand, John William†	Whangaripo	"	1 Oct., 1903.
Featherstone, Robert	Titoki	"	1 Jan., 1904.
Harrison, Caroline Sarah	Porootarao	"	18 Dec., 1903.
Hennessey, John	Springbank	Christchurch	29 " "
Jackson, Joseph	Lakeside	"	1 Feb., 1904.
Large, John Thompson	Mangaia	Auckland	1 Dec., 1903.
Lundy, James	Balcairn	Christchurch	29 " "
Mackellar, Jean Logan	Moa Creek	Dunedin	1 Feb., 1904.
McQuilkin, Annie	Ranana	Wanganui	1 " "
Newton, John	Fox's	Hokitika	1 Jan., "
Peter, Alexander	Chatton	Invercargill	13 " "
Peters, John	Pokokomuka	Napier	15 " "
Reeve, Ellen	Gate Pa	Thames	1 Feb., "
Reynolds, Laurence James	Mangahei	Napier	15 Jan., "
Ryan, Michael Francis†	Aratiatia	Auckland	1 Dec., 1903.
Tantrum, Hannah	Stanway	Wellington	1 Jan., 1904.
Ussher, Edward James	Hinakura	"	1 " "
Walker, Richard	Otamakitai	Thames	9 " "
Ward, John Patrick	Waikaremoana	Napier	1 " "
Wells, George	Waikawa Bay	Nelson	1 Mar., "
Worker, Mary de Renzy†	Wayby	Auckland	1 Jan., 1897.
Wright, Edwin John	West Eyreton	Christchurch	1 " 1904.
POSTMASTERS AND TELEPHONISTS.			
Crow, William	Marsden	Greymouth	1 Jan., 1904.
Field, Florence	Pakawau	Nelson	1 " "
Gaukrodger, Emily	Waitapu	"	1 Oct., 1903.
Hardie, James	Island Bay	Wellington	11 Jan., 1904.
Heveldt, Francis	The Forks	Hokitika	6 " "
Hyde, Ella Zoe	Ongarue	Auckland	1 Feb., "
Jackman, Marcus Thomas†	Romahapa	Dunedin	1 April, 1900.
Milne, Catherine	Manakau	Wellington	13 Jan., 1904.
Moon, Bertha Eva Myrtle (assistant)	Te Uku	Auckland	1 " "
Nicholls, Arthur James	Colac Bay	Invercargill	1 " "
Patterson, James	Glenore	Dunedin	1 " "
Schollum, George	Takapuna	Auckland	1 Feb., "

* Previously gazetted as Postmaster and Telephonist.

† Correcting name.

NON-PERMANENT—continued.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
TELEPHONISTS.			
Civil, Edward	Wayby	Auckland	20 Jan., 1904.
Cox, Thomas Joseph	Cape Saunders	Dunedin	27 Nov., 1903.
Crisp, John	Borton's	Oamaru	1 Jan., 1904.
Douglas, David	Conway	Christchurch	1 " "
Fletcher, Albert Ernest	Aorere	Nelson	1 " "
Robertson, Henry	Castlecliff	Wanganui	1 " "
Wheeler, David	Grassmere	Blenheim	11 Feb., "

Offices opened and closed; Designation corrected.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 18th March, 1904.

THE following particulars of offices opened and closed, and of a designation corrected, are published for general information.

J. G. WARD,
Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

Name.	District.	Date.
POST-OFFICES OPENED.		
Braeburn	Nelson	1 Jan., 1904.
Gate Pa	Thames	1 Feb., "
Hinakura	Wellington	1 Jan., "
Mangahei	Napier	15 " "
Mangaia	Auckland	1 Dec., 1903.
Mangaoronga	Wellington	1 Jan., 1904.
Moa Creek	Dunedin	1 Feb., "
Otamakitai	Thames	9 Jan., "
Pokokomuka	Napier	15 " "
Ranana	Wanganui	1 Feb., "
Waihoaka	Invercargill	3 " "
Waikawa Bay	Nelson	1 Mar., "
POST-OFFICES CLOSED.		
Aberfeldie	Wanganui	12 Feb., 1904.
Kanakanae	Gisborne	16 Jan., "
Kotikotia	Wanganui	12 Feb., "
Mangatu	Auckland	31 Dec., 1903.
Mawhitiwhiti	Wanganui	31 Jan., 1902.
Ngatapa	Gisborne	1 Jan., 1904.
Pori	Wellington	1 " "
Pouawa	Gisborne	1 " "
MONEY-ORDER AND POSTAL-NOTE OFFICES AND POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANKS OPENED.		
Castlecliff	Wanganui	8 Feb., 1904.
Muritai	Wellington	16 " "
POSTAL-NOTE OFFICES OPENED.		
Burnham	Christchurch	24 Feb., 1904.
Nuhaka	Napier	24 " "
TELEPHONE-OFFICES OPENED.		
Grassmere	Blenheim	11 Feb., 1904.
Long Gully	Invercargill	19 " "
TELEPHONE OFFICE CLOSED.		
Whenuakura	Wanganui	8 Feb., 1904.
TELEPHONE EXCHANGE OPENED.		
Lyttelton	Christchurch	2 Feb., 1904.
TELEPHONE BUREAUX OPENED.		
Grassmere	Blenheim	11 Feb., 1904.
Long Gully	Invercargill	19 " "
TELEPHONE BUREAU CLOSED.		
Whenuakura	Wanganui	8 Feb., 1904.

DESIGNATION CORRECTED.

Description.	Office.		District.	Date.
	From	To		
Post-office	Waiau Pah	Waiau Pa	Auckland	1 March, 1904.

Plants declared to be Noxious Weeds in the Counties of Waipawa and Egmont.—Notice No. 862.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 21st March, 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.
Waipawa County Council	.. Ragwort.
Egmont County Council	.. Gorse, ragwort, ox-eye daisy, giant burdock, broom, and Bathurst burr.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Export of Bacon, Hams, and Cured or Frozen Pork to Queensland and New South Wales.—Notice No. 860.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 18th March, 1904.

WITH reference to the prohibition of the importation of New Zealand swine into all the Australian States excepting South Australia, it is hereby notified for public information that advice has been received that bacon, hams, and cured pork may be imported into Queensland, and that bacon, hams, and cured or frozen pork (the latter to be accompanied by a Meat Inspector's certificate of health from the port of shipment) may be imported into New South Wales.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

Importations of Soils, Plants, Fruits, Vegetables, &c., into the Territory of Hawaii.—Notice No. 861.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

THE following particulars with reference to the importation of soils, plants, fruits, vegetables, &c., into the Territory of Hawaii is published for general information.

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister for Agriculture.

General Circular No. 1.
Board of Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry,
Territory of Hawaii.

DIGEST OF THE STATUTES RELATING TO THE IMPORTATIONS OF SOILS, PLANTS, FRUITS, VEGETABLES, ETC., INTO THE TERRITORY OF HAWAII.

Importation.

1. No soil, nursery stock, tree, sugar-cane, shrub, plant, flower, vine, cutting, graft, scion, bud, seed, root, fruit-pit, fruit, vegetable, leaf, nut, or moss shall be imported into the Territory of Hawaii, except in the manner and upon the terms and conditions provided in the statutes.

N.B.—Owners and agents of steamships or sailing-vessels bringing fruits, vegetables, plants, or anything of a vegetable nature into the Territory of Hawaii which are covered by Article 13, Act 44, of the Session Laws of 1903 will obviate delay in the discharge and delivery of such articles by instructing their captains, pursers, or other officers having charge of ships' manifests to segregate the same when making up ships' papers for entry at the port of this Territory. A complete list of said plants, fruits, vegetables, &c., giving marks, numbers, and contents of packages, if handed to the boarding officer for the use of the Territorial Inspector or Entomologist, will further insure a quick inspection and delivery, and also to some extent preclude the necessity in some instances of imposing the penalties provided for in section 16 of said Act 44.

Labels.

2. A label shall be affixed to the article desired to be imported (or to the case or box, if it be enclosed), giving full description and particulars as set forth in paragraph 1, section 13, Act 44. (N.B.—Such labels may be procured, for the present, upon application at the office of the Territorial Entomologist.)

Request for Inspection.

3. (a.) The importers shall file a written statement with the Board, giving full particulars of the articles desired to be imported, requesting an inspection and guaranteeing all expenses incident to the inspection, and, if necessary, fumigation and care of said articles. (Par. 2, section 13, Act 44.)

3. (b.) Suitable blanks for this purpose shall be furnished by the Board, to be obtained upon application at the office of the Territorial Entomologist. (Par. 3, section 13, Act 44.)

N.B.—Considerable delay may be obviated by the production on the part of the consignee of shipments of plants, fruits, vegetables, &c., of a certificate from the State or County Entomologist or Commissioner of Horticulture where such plants, fruits, or vegetables are produced. These certificates are obtainable by shippers whenever requests are formally made of the proper State officials. It must, however, be particularly understood that these certificates issued at point of shipment do not necessarily permit the introduction into the Territory of the plants, fruits, or vegetables which are covered thereby, without further examination, &c., by the Territorial Inspector, but the certificates may in a great measure facilitate such examination at this end, and prevent much expense and delay in delivery.

Importations prohibited.

4. The introduction of the following is prohibited:—
 - (a.) Coffee trees or shrubs (Laws of 1888, Chapter XXXIV.)
 - (b.) Coffee-trees from Samoan or Fiji Islands. (Regulation passed by Board Aug. 26, 1903.)
 - (c.) Cacao from Dutch East Indies, Ceylon, or India. (Regulation passed by Board Aug. 26, 1903.)
 - (d.) Pineapple-plants from the Australian Colonies. (Regulation passed by Board Aug. 26, 1903.)
 - (e.) Fruits from the Australian Colonies and South Sea Islands. (Regulation passed by Board Aug. 26, 1903.)

Port of Importation.

5. No nursery stock, soil, tree, sugar-cane, shrub, plant, flower, vine, cutting, graft, scion, bud, seed, root, leaf, nut, moss, or other vegetable growth (except hay, grain, fruit, vegetables, and nuts for immediate consumption) shall be imported into the Territory of Hawaii saving and except through the Port of Honolulu only. (Act 44, section 13, par. 12.)

Place of Inspection.

6. Inspection may be made on the vessel importing, or on the adjacent wharf, or elsewhere, as the Inspector may direct, but the articles shall not be removed from the vessel except upon a permit signed by the Inspector. (Par. 5, section 13, Act 44.)

N.B.—To facilitate inspection and avoid delay, such articles as fruits, vegetables, plants, &c., should be segregated and arranged according to marks, &c. The Inspector will be present for a reasonable time on the dock at which steamers may land fruits, vegetables, plants, &c., immediately after arrival, for the purpose of receiving signed requests for the introduction of same on the forms supplied by the Territorial Entomologist. Prompt presentation of these forms, with the certificate (if one has been obtained) of the State or County Entomologist attached thereto, will obviate confusion and delay in the segregation, examination, and delivery of the goods.

Unpacking or Removing.

7. If the Inspector deem it advisable to unpack the said articles, or remove them to any other place, he may do so at the importer's expense. (Par. 6, section 13, Act 44.)

Permit.

8. If upon inspection, or at any time thereafter, the Inspector shall be satisfied that the articles are free from injurious insects, blight, fungi, &c., he shall give the importer a certificate of inspection, and permit the articles to be imported into this Territory. (Par. 7, section 13, Act 44.)

Disinfection and Quarantine.

9. The Inspector may order the said articles to be fumigated or held for continued observation or treatment, in his discretion, and at the importer's expense. (Par. 8, section 13, Act 44.)

Destruction.

10. The Inspector may at any time, in his discretion, order the destruction of any of the said articles. (Par. 9, section 13, Act 44.)

What constitutes Importation.

11. Any articles landed for inspection or in quarantine shall be considered to be still without the Territory, and shall not be entitled to be imported therein without a permit from the Board or Inspector thereof. (Par. 10, section 13, Act 44.)

Soils.

12. No soil, sand, rocks or stone having soil adhering thereto, brought to this Territory as ballast, or separate from the roots of plants, trees, or other vegetation, except such as are suitable for and intended to be used as or in the manufacture of fertiliser, or for building, mechanical, or monu-

mental purposes, shall be allowed to be landed in this Territory. If any vessel comes to this Territory with soil, sand, rocks or stones having soil adhering thereto, on board as ballast or in bulk, and it is desired to remove the same, it shall, except as aforesaid, be dumped at sea.

No soil or sand brought to this Territory in connection with or around the roots of plants, trees, or other vegetation, or rocks or stones with soil or sand adhering to them, shall be allowed to be imported into this Territory until the same shall have been removed to a suitable place for inspection and quarantine, and there held for such length of time as, in the discretion of the Board or its officers or agents, shall be necessary to prove that it is not infected with insects, blights, scales, or diseases injurious to trees, plants, or other vegetation of value. (Sec. 14, Act 44.)

Penalty.

13. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act, and any master of any vessel which shall bring into this Territory any article which the Board shall at any time prohibit from being imported into this Territory, and the master of any vessel from which shall be landed any article in this Act required to be inspected, until he shall have received a permit to land the said article from the Board or its officer or Inspector, as herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500, or by imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court. (Section 16, Act 44.)

Appeal.

14. Any person may at any time appeal from any Inspector to the Board of Commissioners, whose decision shall be final. (Section 17, Act 44.)

N.B.—See paragraph 9, section 5, Act 44, relating to Superintendent of Entomology, who shall have charge, direction, and control of all matters relating to the exclusion or eradication of insects, blights, &c., and inspection, disinfection, exclusion, or destruction of plants, fruits, vegetables, &c.

NOTICE TO IMPORTERS.

The following sections of Act 44 of the Session Laws of 1903 have been printed for your information.

Importation of Plants, Fruit, &c.

SECTION 13. No soil, nursery stock, tree, sugar-cane, shrub, plant, flower, vine, cutting, graft, scion, bud, seed, root, fruit-pit, fruit, vegetable, leaf, nut, or moss shall be imported into the Territory of Hawaii except in the manner and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, viz.:

(1.) *Labels.*—A label shall be affixed to the article desired to be imported, or, if it is enclosed, to the box, barrel, case, package, or other container in which it is enclosed, which label shall set forth—

- (a.) The name, number or amount, and description of the said article or articles.
- (b.) The locality where the same was produced.
- (c.) The port from which the same was last shipped.
- (d.) The name of the shipper of said article or articles.
- (e.) The name of the consignee of said article or articles.

(2.) *Request for Inspection.*—In addition to any requirements of the Customs authorities concerning invoices or other formalities incident to importations into the Territory, the importer shall file a written statement with the Board, signed by himself or his agent or attorney, which shall set forth his desire to import certain articles into the Territory, which articles shall be described as follows, viz.:

- (a.) The name, number or amount, and description of the said article or articles.
- (b.) The locality where the same was produced.
- (c.) The port from which the same was last shipped.
- (d.) The name of the shipper thereof.
- (e.) The name of the consignee thereof.

The said statement shall also contain a request that the Board examine, or cause to be examined, the articles described as aforesaid, and agreeing to be and become responsible for all costs, charges, and expenses incident to the inspection, examination, fumigation, disinfection, quarantine, and care of said articles desired to be imported.

(3.) *Blanks.*—Suitable blanks shall be furnished by the Board upon which to make such requests, which blanks may provide for the insertion of other statements, and may contain other requirements which the Board, in its discretion and under the authority herein contained to make rules and regulations, may direct.

(4.) *Inspection.*—Immediately upon receipt of a request for inspection, in accordance with the provisions hereinabove set forth, or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable, an Inspector of the Board shall inspect the said articles desired to be imported.

(5.) *Place of Inspection.*—The said inspection may, in the discretion of the said Inspector, be made on the vessel importing the same, on the wharf adjacent thereto, or any

other convenient place or places which he may indicate; but said article or articles shall in no case be removed from the vessel importing the same except upon a written permit signed by said Inspector.

(6.) *Unpacking or Removing.*—If, in the discretion of said Inspector, it is necessary, advisable, or proper, in order to more fully inspect the said articles, to unpack the said articles or any of them, or to remove them or any of them, to any other place or places, he shall have authority so to do, at the expense of the importer.

(7.) *Permit to Import.*—If, upon inspection as aforesaid, or at any time thereafter, if the said article or articles are held for further examination, the said Inspector shall be satisfied that the said articles desired to be imported, or certain of them, are free from insects, blight, scale, and diseases injurious, or liable to become injurious, to trees, plants, or other vegetation of value, he shall give the importer a certificate of inspection, setting forth the date of the inspection or inspections, a description of the articles inspected, and permitting them to be imported into this Territory.

(8.) *Disinfection or Quarantine.*—If, in the opinion of said Inspector, it shall be necessary or proper for the better securing of the objects of this Act to fumigate, disinfect, or quarantine said article or articles, or any of them, he shall have authority so to do, at the expense of the importer.

If, in the opinion of said Inspector, it shall be necessary or proper to hold said article for continued observation or treatment, in order to be certain that no infection as aforesaid exists, or that any infection which exists or may exist therein may be eradicated, the said Inspector may so hold said article or articles in quarantine for said purpose or purposes.

(9.) *Destruction of Plants, &c.*—If said Inspector shall at any time, either upon said first inspection or at any time thereafter while the said article or articles are being held as aforesaid, find that the same or any of them are infected with or contain any insect, blight, scale, or disease injurious, or liable to become injurious, to trees, plants, or other vegetation of value, he shall, in his discretion, destroy the same or hold the same for further treatment.

(10.) *What constitutes Importation.*—The landing of any article as aforesaid for the purpose of inspection or quarantine shall not be, nor be construed to be, an importation for the purpose of giving to the article or articles so landed any status, or the owner thereof any rights or privileges incident to the articles which have been imported into the Territory; but in legal effect the articles so landed for purposes of inspection shall be construed to still be without the Territory, seeking entry into the Territory, and shall not, in whole or in part, be entitled to be imported into this Territory until a permit so to do, as aforesaid, shall have been issued by the Board, or officer or Inspector thereof.

(11.) *Exceptions to Right to Import.*—Nothing in this Act contained shall permit the importation of any article, or class of articles, or any article or class of articles from any particular place, if the same or any of them have, by special rule or regulation of the Board, as hereinbefore provided, been prohibited from importation into this Territory.

(12.) *Port of Importation of Plants.*—No nursery stock, soil, tree, sugar-cane, shrub, plant, flower, vine, cutting, graft, scion, bud, seed, root, leaf, nut, moss, or other vegetable growth (except hay, grain, fruit, vegetables, and nuts for immediate consumption) shall be imported into the Territory of Hawaii, saving and excepting through the Port of Honolulu only.

Soils.

SECTION 14. No soil, sand, or rocks or stone having soil adhering thereto, brought to this Territory as ballast, or separate from the roots of plants, trees, or other vegetation, except such as are suitable for and intended to be used as or in the manufacture of fertiliser, or for building, mechanical, or monumental purposes, shall be allowed to be landed in this Territory. If any vessel comes to this Territory with soil, sand, rocks or stones having soil adhering thereto, on board as ballast or in bulk, and it is desired to remove the same, it shall, except as aforesaid, be dumped at sea.

No soil or sand brought to this Territory in connection with or around the roots of plants, trees, or other vegetation, or rocks or stones with soil or sand adhering to them, shall be allowed to be imported into this Territory until the same shall have been removed to a suitable place for inspection and quarantine, and there held for such length of time as, in the discretion of the Board, or its officers or agents, shall be necessary to prove that it is not infected with insects, blights, scales, or diseases injurious to trees, plants, or other vegetation of value.

Fees for Inspection, Quarantine, &c.

SECTION 15. The Board shall, with the approval of the Governor, adopt a reasonable scale of charges, which may be

changed from time to time, for the inspection, disinfection, fumigation, and quarantine authorised, required, or permitted by this Act. Certificates and permits herein provided for concerning articles imported, or proposed to be imported, into this Territory, and the charges so provided for, shall be paid for in advance before any certificate or permit is delivered, or any of said articles are permitted to be landed. If thereafter further expense is incurred in the inspection, treatment, or quarantine of any of said articles, the charges therefor shall be paid before any of said articles shall be delivered.

Penalty.

SECTION 16. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act, and any master of any vessel which shall bring into this Territory any article which the Board shall at any time prohibit from being imported into this Territory, and the master of any vessel from which shall be landed any article in this Act required to be inspected, until he shall have received a permit to land the said articles from the Board or its officer or Inspector, as herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500, or imprisonment as aforesaid, in the discretion of the Court.

HENRY E. COOPER,
Secretary and Executive Officer of the Board of
Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry.

*Exemption of Slaughterhouse used in connection with the
Curing of Hams and Bacon.—Notice No. 863.*

Department of Agriculture.
Wellington, 22nd March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Excellency the Governor has exempted from the operation of subsection (1) of section 17 of "The Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1900," the slaughterhouse situated on R.S. 145, Riccarton, and used by Messrs. T. H. Green and Co., Bacon-curers, Christchurch, in connection with the curing of hams and bacon.

C. H. MILLS,
For Minister for Agriculture.

Notice of Intention to take Land for a Road through Section 23, Block II., Makuri Survey District, Pahiatua County.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is proposed, under the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1894," to execute a certain public work, to wit, the construction of a road through Section 23, Block II., Makuri Survey District, Pahiatua County, and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is further given that the plan of the said road and of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the Post-office at Makairo, and is there open for inspection. And notice is also hereby given that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of the said land shall, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing within forty days from the first publication of this notice to the Minister for Public Works, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Part of Section	Situated in Block	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
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In the Wellington 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.

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

T. Y. DUNCAN,
For Minister for Public Works.

Notice to Imprestees under "The Public Revenues Act, 1891."

The Treasury,
Wellington, 24th February, 1904.

EVERY officer holding advances of public money is hereby required to pay to the Public Account, at the nearest branch of the Bank of New Zealand, the unexpended balance of his account on or before Thursday, the 31st March proximo, and forthwith to transmit to the Treasury at Wellington the bank receipt for such repayment, together with an account of his expenditure to the same date, as required by clause 4 of the Treasury Regulations.

As respects disbursements which officers may require to make immediately after the close of the financial year, requisitions for the amount required are to be made in such time as to enable them to reach Wellington not later than the 14th March, so that the requisite funds may be placed at the disposal of the officer as soon after the 1st April as possible.

R. J. SEDDON,
Colonial Treasurer.

Officiating Ministers for 1904.—Notice No. 10.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 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:—

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

The Reverend Christopher Hudson Moreland, M.A.

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

The Reverend James Bonnar Russell, M.A., B.D.

Primitive Methodist Connexion.

The Reverend Peter John Mairs.

The Reverend Basil Metson.

E. J. VON DADELSEN,
Registrar-General.

Government Insurance Department Agency opened at Norsewood.

Government Insurance Department,
Wellington, 21st March, 1904.

AN agency of the above Department (Life and Accident Branches) will be opened at

THE POST-OFFICE, NORSEWOOD,

as from the 4th April, 1904.

J. H. RICHARDSON,
Commissioner.

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

WHEREAS I, the undersigned, the Public Trustee, have for the purposes of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894," made due inquiries with respect to the land described in the Schedule hereunder written, and the owner thereof, and have, in respect of the said land, given the notices prescribed by section 4 of the said Act, and have in all respects complied with the provisions of the said section: And whereas I have not thereby ascertained who the owner is, and believe that such owner is not in the colony, nor has such owner established his title to the said land, as required by the said Act: I hereby give notice that the said land is, under and by virtue of the said Act, vested in me, as the Public Trustee as aforesaid, as from the date of the publication hereof, and will be administered under the said Act; the value of the land for the purposes of section 5 of the said Act being less than £100.

Dated at Wellington, this 21st day of March, 1904.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1 rood, more or less, and being Lot No. 370 of Section 2, on the western side of St. John Street, in the Township of Tauranga and Provincial District of Auckland.

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

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 22nd March, 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.

Thomas William Hemsworth, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, railway porter. Filed on the 14th day of March, 1904.

James Meagher, late of Blackball, in the Provincial District of Westland, miner. Filed on the 14th day of March, 1904.

Joseph Evicevich, otherwise known as Ivan Ivicovic, late of Waipu, in the Provincial District of Auckland, gum digger. Filed on the 14th day of March, 1904.

Mary Russell, late of Seacliff, in the Provincial District of Otago, married woman. Filed on the 14th day of March, 1904.

John Matthew Phelan, late of Avondale, in the Provincial District of Auckland, mill-hand. Filed on the 18th day of March, 1904.

George Richardson, late of Rimu, in the Provincial District of Westland, miner. Filed on the 18th day of March, 1904.

Alfred Thompson, late of St. Albans, Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, upholsterer. Filed on the 18th day of March, 1904.

Elizabeth Millsom, or Millson, late of North-east Valley, in the Provincial District of Otago, widow. Filed on the 18th day of March, 1904.

William Kelly, late of Te Kiri, Opunake, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, labourer. Filed on the 21st day of March, 1904.

James Dowd, late of Waipawa, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, labourer. Filed on the 21st day of March, 1904.

Mate Jurichevich, otherwise known as Matto Jorecevich, late of Waiuku, in the Provincial District of Auckland, gum-digger. Filed on the 21st day of March, 1904.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

Ruatoki Block.

NOTICE is hereby given that an inquiry will be held at the Courthouse, Whakatane, on the 11th day of April, 1904, for the purpose of ascertaining and determining the persons to whom the sum of £55 2s., expended by Natives in connection with the appeals against the decision of the Native Land Court with respect to the Ruatoki Block, should be refunded.

All persons interested are required to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

Dated at Auckland, this 19th day of March, 1904.

JAS. W. BROWNE,
Registrar.

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of JANUARY, 1904, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	206	111	22	21	360	27	8	4	..	39
Queensland .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Victoria	507	186	16	19	728	138	101	18	10	267
New South Wales	1,270	506	87	78	1,941	633	375	33	35	1,076
Western Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania	131	58	7	7	203	69	34	2	2	107
Fiji	21	15	8	7	51	7	4	4	3	18
Other British possessions	5	3	2	..	10*	8	4	..	..	12†
Pacific Islands	11	4	7	3	25‡	7	3	..	..	10§
Other foreign ports	19	12	3	1	35||	27	22	6	4	59¶
Totals, January, 1904	2,170	895	152	136	3,353	916	551	67	54	1,588
Totals, January, 1903	2,312	902	183	161	3,558	772	467	54	44	1,337

* From Calcutta. † For Norfolk Island, 6; Durban, 6. ‡ From Tonga. § For Tonga. || From San Francisco. ¶ For San Francisco, 57; New York, 2.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	2	4	6
Auckland	933	93	738	288	1,026	510	58	360	208	568
Wellington	1,249	144	923	470	1,393	612	27	395	244	639
Greyouth	1	2	..	3	3	1	2	..	3	3
Dunedin	44	1	26	19	45	1	..	..	1	1
Invercargill	838	48	635	251	886	340	31	226	145	371
Totals, January, 1904	3,065	288	2,322	1,031	3,353	1,467	121	983	605	1,588
Totals, January, 1903	3,214	344	2,495	1,063	3,558	1,239	98	826	511	1,337

CHINESE.—Arrivals—At Auckland, 7; Wellington, 6. Departures—From Wellington, 5, and 6 Japanese.

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

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

Vital Statistics.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the Month of February, 1904:—

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the undermentioned Boroughs, during the Month of February, 1904.

BOROUGH.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1904.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH.	DEATHS IN BOROUGH REGISTERED IN FEBRUARY, 1904.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, February, 1904.	Proportion of Deaths to this 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1903.
			Males.			Females.			Total Deaths.				
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.					
Auckland	37,761	78	7	..	5	4	1	6	23	0.61	12.97		
Birkenhead	1,305	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19.06
Devonport	4,753	6	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.42	9.16
Newmarket	2,149	4	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.93	8.47
Grey Lynn	5,493	11	1	..	..	2	..	3	6	1.09	7.66
Parnell	4,900	11	1	..	..	1	1	1	4	0.82	14.38
Other suburbs* .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs*	56,361	116	9	..	7	7	2	12	37	0.66	12.23		
Wellington	50,083	109	15	1	23	10	1	13	63	1.26	11.30		
Karori	1,680	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	1.19	5.76
Onslow	1,810	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1.10	5.10
Totals Wellington and suburbs	53,573	115	17	1	24	10	1	14	67	1.25	10.93		
Christchurch	48,737	89	10	3	16	15	1	10	55	1.13	11.39		
Woolston	2,958	4	2	..	..	2	..	3	7	2.37	9.73
Other suburbs* .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs*	51,695	93	12	3	16	17	1	13	62	1.20	11.29		
Dunedin	25,446	52	8	..	15	..	..	12	35	1.38	14.77
Caversham	5,599	13	2	..	3	..	..	2	7	1.25	17.56
Maori Hill	1,752	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13.38
Mornington	4,360	5	..	..	2	..	..	1	3	0.69	10.83
North-east Valley	4,025	6	1	..	..	..	..	3	4	0.99	9.71
Roslyn	5,587	11	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	0.72	9.91
St. Kilda	2,270	4	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	1.32	11.41
South Dunedin	6,018	11	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	0.50	5.46
West Harbour	1,572	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4.49
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	56,629	107	12	..	25	1	..	21	59	1.04	12.47		

* The remaining suburbs do not lie within borough boundaries, and particulars respecting them have not been obtained for the Vital Statistics. The total population of Auckland and its suburbs was 67,226 persons, and that of Christchurch with its complete suburbs amounted to 57,041 persons, at the Census of March, 1901.

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

The total births in the above boroughs amounted to 431, against 510 in January—a decrease of 79. The deaths in February were 225, an increase of 8 on the number in January. Of the total deaths, males contributed 126, females 99. Ninety-three of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 41.33 per cent. of the whole number; 85 of these were under one year of age.

There were thirty-one deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Three men, 68, 72, 80, and four women, 73, 76, 77, 87, died at Auckland; five men, 67, 68 (two), 72, 96, and four women, 66, 80, 94, 101, at Wellington; four men, 67, 78, 86, 87, and three women, 76, 81, 92, at Christchurch; and ten men, 67, 68, 70, 71, 75, 77 (two), 78, 80, 82, and five women, 67, 68, 69, 74, 85, at Dunedin.

The following Table shows the Causes of the Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from each Cause, in the Boroughs above given, registered during the Month of February, 1904.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I.	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	6	..	14	4	7	2	3	2	38	16.89
II.	Parasitic Diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III.	Dietetic Diseases	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	3	1.33
IV.	Constitutional Diseases	1	6	1	6	1	6	..	9	30	13.33
V.	Developmental Diseases	2	2	4	1	2	2	5	..	18	8.00
VI.	Local Diseases	6	10	7	21	16	13	4	30	112	49.78
VII.	Violence	..	..	..	3	2	1	..	5	11	4.89
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	3	1	3	1	4	..	1	..	13	5.78
	Totals	18	19	29	38	33	29	13	46	225	100.00

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS I.—SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Miasmatic,—</i>									
Influenza	3	..	..	..	1	4
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Diarrheal,—</i>									
Cholera Infantum	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	4
Diarrhoea	5	..	13	..	5	2	3	..	28
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Septic,—</i>									
Erysipelas	1	1
Septicæmia	1	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS III.—DIETETIC DISEASES.									
Want of Breast-milk	1	..	..	..	1
Alcoholism	2	..	..	..	..	2
CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.									
Cancer	4	..	3	..	2	..	4	13
Tabes Mesenterica	1	..	..	..	1
Tubercular Disease of Kidneys	1	..	..	1
Tubercular Meningitis	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	4
Phthisis	1	..	3	..	2	..	3	9
Tuberculosis	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Diabetes	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.									
Premature Birth	1	..	4	..	2	..	5	..	12
Cleft Palate	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Old Age	2	..	1	..	2	..	..	5
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i>									
Meningitis	3	1	..	..	4
Apoplexy	1	..	3	..	1	..	2	7
Paralysis of Bowel	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paralysis	1	..	..	..	3	4
Paralysis Agitans	1	1
General Paralysis of Insane	1	..	..	..	..	1
Epileptic Fits	1	1	2
Convulsions	2	..	..	..	1	..	3
Pressure on Brain	1	1
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Diseases of Organs of Special Sense,—</i>									
Abscess of Ear	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i>									
Heart-disease	4	..	5	..	3	..	8	20
Heart-failure	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	4
Embolism	1	..	..	..	..	1
Atheromatous Degeneration of Heart	1	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 4:—									
<i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i>									
Bronchitis	1	2	..	..	..	1	4
Pneumonia	2	..	..	2	2	1	..	1	8
Empyema	1	1
Congestion of Lung	1	..	..	..	..	1
Consolidation of Lung	1	..	..	1
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Diseases of Digestive System,—</i>									
Dentition	4	..	..	..	4
Gastritis	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Enteritis	3	..	2	..	7	1	2	2	17
Ascites	1	..	..	..	..	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	2
Congestion of Liver	1	..	..	1
Enlargement of Liver	1	..	..	1
Appendicitis	1	..	3	4
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Diseases of the Lymphatic System,—</i>									
Goitre	1	..	..	1

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES—contd.									
ORDER 7:—									
<i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Nephritis	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3
Bright's Disease	2	..	1	3
Cystitis	1	..	..	1
Enlarged Prostate	1	..	..	1
ORDER 8:—									
<i>Diseases of Reproductive System,—</i>									
Abortion	1	..	..	..	1	2
Parturition	1	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>									
Fracture of Skull	1	..	..	..	..	1
Blow on Head (blasting operation)	1	1
Dislocation of Hip	1	1
Fall from Horse	1	1
Injury to Face	1	1
Tetanus (result of injury)	1	1
Poison	1	..	..	1
Drowned	1	..	..	..	1
Umbilical Hæmorrhage	1	..	..	..	1
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Suicide,—</i>									
By Poison	2	..	..	..	..	2
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.									
Marasmus, &c.	3	..	3	1	4	..	1	..	12
Abscess	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Totals	18	19	29	38	33	29	13	46	225

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

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

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Population.
Auckland City	0.61
and five suburban boroughs	0.66
Wellington City	1.26
and two suburban boroughs	1.25
Christchurch City	1.13
and one suburban borough	1.20
Dunedin City	1.38
and eight suburban boroughs	1.04

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

Compared with February, 1903, the results are,—

Auckland and suburbs	1.43	0.66
Wellington and suburbs	0.97	1.25
Christchurch and suburbs	0.73	1.20
Dunedin and suburbs	0.84	1.04

Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases.—There were 38 deaths in this class at the four chief towns with suburbs during February, and of these 32 were from diarrhoeal diseases—6 at Auckland, 14 at Wellington, 9 at Christchurch, and 3 at Dunedin. Influenza was fatal in 4 cases—3 at Wellington and 1 at Dunedin; and there was 1 death from erysipelas at Dunedin, and 1 from septicæmia at Wellington.

Dietetic Diseases.—One death from want of breast-milk and 2 from alcoholism, at Christchurch and Wellington respectively, were registered last month.

Constitutional Diseases.—These totalled 30 at the four chief towns—13 from cancer, 9 from phthisis, and 8 from other tubercular diseases, tabes mesenterica, and diabetes.

Developmental Diseases.—To the total of deaths (18) in this class premature birth contributed 12, old-age 5, and 1 was due to cleft palate.

Local Diseases.—For February the deaths in this class at the chief centres numbered 112—viz., 24 from diseases of the nervous system, 26 of the circulatory, 15 of the respiratory, 34 digestive, 8 urinary, 3 reproductive, and 1 each from diseases of organs of special sense (abscess of ear) and of the lymphatic system (goitre).

Violent Deaths.—Of the 11 deaths in this class, 9 were accidental and 2 suicidal—both by poison.

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

Towns.	SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.						PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES.													
	Influenza.		Scarlet Fever.		Typhoid and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping-cough.		Diarrhoeal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	3	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Wellington and suburban boroughs	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	14	4	3	1	..	..	2	4	1	..	..
Christchurch and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	6	..	..	1	2	..	..	2
Totals	3	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	32	11	4	10	..	..	8	6	1	2	2

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the undermentioned Boroughs, during the Month of February, 1904.

BOROUGHES.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1904.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN FEBRUARY, 1904.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, Feb., 1904.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1903.
			Males.			Females.					
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.			
Thames	4,300	16	2	..	1	..	..	1	4	0.93	10.58
New Plymouth	5,153	15	2	..	2	..	..	1	5	0.97	13.54
Napier	9,422	27	3	..	..	2	..	2	7	0.74	11.49
Wanganui	7,796	16	2	..	3	2	..	5	12	1.54	9.51
Palmerston North	8,957	31	3	..	1	5	..	2	11	1.23	8.58
Blenheim	3,985	21	1	..	2	..	..	2	5	1.25	23.45
Nelson	7,766	11	..	..	4	1	..	2	7	0.90	15.84
Greymouth	4,436	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	0.46	11.79
Hokitika	2,100	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	3	1.43	24.72
Lyttelton	4,637	9	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	0.65	9.21
Timaru	6,758	10	1	..	2	1	..	2	6	0.89	10.27
Oamaru	5,380	7	1	..	1	..	..	2	4	0.74	10.78
Invercargill	6,514*	16	4	..	5	1	..	2	12	1.84	12.38

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1904.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR FEBRUARY, 1904.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	LINCOLN, CANTERBURY.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in shade for month* Average same month previous years*...	66.1 67.6	63.2 62.5	62.1 61.0	57.1 57.4
Maximum Temperature in shade, and date*	79.5 on 18th	80.4 on 10th	89.9 on 29th	71.0 on 18th
Minimum Temperature in shade, and date*	53.0 on 20th	46.2 on 2nd	40.2 on 27th	45.0 on 16th
Maximum Solar Radiation, and date* ..	147.0 on 2nd	132.0 on 10th	135.0 on 12th	..
Minimum Terrestrial Radiation, and date*	48.0 on 20th	42.0 on 2nd	34.4 on 27th	..
Mean Humidity (Saturation = 100) ..	74	67	71	80.5
Average same month previous years ...	72	71	73	71
Total Rainfall, in inches	3.710	2.260	1.040	3.684
Average same month previous years ...	3.514	3.540	...	2.680
Number of Days of Rain	9	7	10	11
Average same month previous years ...	11	9	7	12

* Fahrenheit.

Meteorological Office, Wellington, 22nd March, 1904.

CUTHBERT FREYBERG,
Acting-Observer.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Lands in Wellington Land District forfeited.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Tenure.	Lease No.	Section.	Block.	District.	Formerly held by	Date of Forfeiture.
O.R.P.	112	1	XI.	Kaitawa	J. Bowler ..	28 May, 1903.
V.H.L.P.	774	86	..	Korokoro Village Settlement	C. J. Baoumgren	27 Aug., "
O.R.P.	107.	2	XIII.	Tararua	A. E. Bang ..	28 May, "
L.S.L.P.	189	38	..	Maungaraki Settlement ..	J. Barnes ..	29 Oct., "
P.L.	281.	850	IV.	Castlepoint	P. A. Belliss ..	1 " "
V.H.L.P.	867	34	..	Mataroa Village Settlement	F. J. Hintz ..	29 " "
L.S.L.P.	201	117	XIII.	Belmont	G. H. Hunt ..	1 " "
L.S.L.P.	173	86	..	Epuni Hamlet	H. Trigger ..	28 May, "
V.H.L.P.	693	7	..	Mangamahu Village Settlement	W. Brown ..	27 Aug., "
O.R.P.	251	2	VIII.	Tiriraukawa	J. P. Raynel ..	26 Nov., "
L.P.	70	2	X.	Mikimiki	S. Gundersen ..	26 " "
V.H.L.P.	801	Pt. 6 of 43	..	Mangaweka Village Settlement	H. E. Behrent ..	26 " "
O.R.P.	509	21, 22	XIII.	Mangahao	A. Goldfinch ..	29 Oct., "
F.H.	75	1	XIV.	Manganui	W. Robb ..	26 Nov., "

T. Y. DUNCAN,
Minister of Lands

Kauri Timber (40,632,801 Superficial Feet) for Sale by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 21st March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," that written tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, from the proprietors of existing sawmills, up to 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, the 5th day of May, 1904, for the purchase of the undermentioned fourteen lots of kauri timber, comprising a total of 40,632,801 superficial feet.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Hobson County.—Tutamoe Forest Reserve.

Lot No. 3, standing on Block XV., Tutamoe Survey District, consisting of 1,237 green kauri-trees, containing 5,047,183 superficial feet; and 182 dry kauri-trees, containing 387,460 superficial feet: total, 1,419 kauri-trees, containing about 5,434,643 superficial feet.

Lot No. 4, standing on Blocks XV. and XVI., Tutamoe Survey District, consisting of 540 green kauri-trees, containing 2,409,898 superficial feet; and 681 dry kauri-trees, containing 1,876,315 superficial feet: total, 1,221 kauri-trees, containing about 4,286,213 superficial feet.

Lot No. 5, standing on Blocks XV. and XVI., Tutamoe Survey District, consisting of 1,141 green kauri-trees, containing 5,263,396 superficial feet; and 1,364 dry kauri-trees, containing 3,688,697 superficial feet: total, 2,505 kauri-trees, containing about 8,952,093 superficial feet.

Lot No. 6, standing on Blocks XVI., Tutamoe, and IV., Kaihu Survey Districts, consisting of 325 green kauri-trees, containing 1,251,411 superficial feet; and 117 dry kauri-trees, containing 299,208 superficial feet: total, 442 kauri-trees, containing about 1,550,619 superficial feet.

Lot No. 7, standing on Blocks III. and IV., Tutamoe Survey District, consisting of 550 green kauri-trees, containing 2,149,972 superficial feet; and 892 dry kauri-trees, containing 2,994,946 superficial feet: total, 1,442 kauri-trees, containing about 5,144,918 superficial feet.

Whangarei County.—Puhipuhi State Forest Reserve.

Lot No. 3, standing on Blocks III. and VII., Hukerenui Survey District, consisting of 1,343 green and dry kauri-trees, containing about 3,168,000 superficial feet.

Lot No. 4, standing on Block III., Hukerenui Survey District, consisting of 1,297 green and dry kauri-trees, containing about 2,482,300 superficial feet.

Lot No. 5A, standing on Blocks III. and IV., Hukerenui Survey District, consisting of 340 green and dry kauri-trees, containing about 1,171,900 superficial feet.

Lot No. 6, standing on Blocks IV., VII., and VIII., Hukerenui Survey District, consisting of 174 green and dry kauri-trees, containing about 322,700 superficial feet.

Hobson County.—Tangihua Forest Reserve.

Lot No. 4, standing on part Blocks I. and VII., Tangihua Survey District, consisting of 406 green kauri-trees, containing 1,322,834 superficial feet; and 13 dry kauri-trees, containing 39,428 superficial feet: total, 419 trees, containing about 1,362,262 superficial feet.

Lot No. 5, standing on parts Blocks I., III., and VII., Tangihua Survey District, consisting of 313 green kauri-trees, containing 904,385 superficial feet; and 14 dry kauri-trees, containing 18,670 superficial feet: total, 327 trees, containing about 923,055 superficial feet.

Lot No. 6, standing on Block I., Tangihua Survey District, consisting of 354 green kauri-trees, containing about 1,064,723 superficial feet.

Lot No. 8, standing part on Blocks I. and VII., Tangihua Survey District, and XII., Maungaru Survey District, consisting of 91 green kauri-trees, containing about 242,375 superficial feet.

Hokianga County.—Omahuta State Forest Reserve.

Lot No. 2, standing on part of Blocks XI., XII., XV., and XVI., Maungataniwha Survey District, consisting of 1,116 green kauri-trees, containing about 4,527,000 superficial feet.

Tenders are to be addressed "Gerhard Mueller, Esq., Commissioner of Crown Lands, District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland," and are to be marked outside "Kauri Timber, Lot No. , Forest Reserve," and must be accompanied by the prescribed deposit in cash, marked cheque, or post-office order. All tenders shall be subject to the following regulations and conditions, and also to the general regulations of the 15th January, 1900, or the 12th March, 1900.

REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS.

1. Applicants tendering for the purchase of kauri timber shall forward to the Conservator of State Forests or Commissioner of Crown Lands, at the Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, a tender on the form hereto annexed, stating the price at which they are prepared to purchase the timber specified in their tenders, at per 100 superficial feet, and giving the following particulars:—

- (a.) The quantity of timber, whether standing or in logs, already owned, in possession of, or secured by the tenderer, and whether situated on freehold land, leasehold land, Native land, or Crown land.
- (b.) A description of the locality where the timber and logs already owned or secured are situated, and, if in several localities, the names of each shall be stated, together with the quantity of timber

thereon, the amount of timber required, and how long it would last, &c. An illustrative sketch-map must accompany the description.

- (c.) A description of the lot and quantity of the particular timber tendered for, and also the locality of the mill at which it is proposed that this timber shall be sawn.
- (d.) How it is proposed to remove the timber, whether by tramway, or by putting it into the creeks and driving it out, or by hauling, rafting, towing, or in any other manner.
- (e.) The terms of payment offered being either wholly in cash, or partly in cash and partly by instalments, as specified in clause 8 hereof.

2. All tenders shall be accompanied by a deposit of 5 per cent. on the amount of the tender, which will be returned in case of non acceptance of the tender, and in the case of a successful tenderer shall be retained as part payment for the timber.

3. The Conservator of State Forests or Commissioner of Crown Lands shall transmit such tenders, together with the Ranger's report thereon, and his remarks and recommendations, to the Commissioner of State Forests or Minister of Lands.

4. The highest or any of such tenders shall not necessarily be accepted, and the right is reserved by the Commissioner of State Forests or Minister of Lands to allot the timber in such manner and on such conditions as, in his opinion, the circumstances of the case warrant: Provided that before accepting a tender he shall satisfy himself that the tenderer is the proprietor of a then-existing mill, and that the timber applied for is to supply such mill.

5. In the event of the acceptance of any tender, a license shall be issued to the tenderer as licensee, and there shall be a maximum time provided for the removal of the timber, with conditions providing against waste in terms of No. 49 of the general regulations under "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," dated the 15th day of January, 1900, or No. 49 of the general regulations under "The Land Act, 1892," dated the 12th day of March, 1900.

6. The licensee shall make and deliver to the Conservator of State Forests or Commissioner of Crown Lands, at a period fixed by such Conservator or Commissioner in each year, a written statement of the quantity of timber such licensee has in hand on the several classes of land held by him.

7. It shall be unlawful for the licensee to transfer, assign, or in any way dispose of his license, or of the timber, or of his interest therein, to any other person until after the expiration of two years from the date at which the tender was accepted: Provided, however, that where the licensee proposes to sell the timber with his mill, plant, and appliances in their entirety, he may do so with the written approval of the Commissioner of State Forests or Minister of Lands first obtained; and in such case the license may be transferred accordingly. Such approval may be given or refused in the discretion of the Commissioner or Minister.

8. Payment for timber shall be made by the licensee either wholly in cash on acceptance of tender, or partly in cash and partly by instalments, as follows:—

- For half to one million feet, half in cash on acceptance of tender and half in six months thereafter;
- For one to three million feet, one-third in cash on acceptance of tender, one-third in eight and one-third in sixteen months thereafter;
- For three to six million feet, one-fifth in cash on acceptance of tender, one-fifth in seven, one-fifth in fourteen, one-fifth in twenty-one, and one-fifth in twenty-eight months thereafter;
- For six to ten million feet, one-fifth in cash on acceptance of tender, one-fifth in nine, one-fifth in eighteen, one-fifth in twenty-seven, and one-fifth in thirty-six months thereafter.

9. All such instalments shall bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum as from the date of acceptance of tender, and, with the interest, shall be secured by promissory notes payable on demand, and made and indorsed to the satisfaction of the Conservator of State Forests or Commissioner of Crown Lands.

10. Timber not removed within the time provided for its removal shall revert to the Crown, but the Commissioner of State Forests or Minister of Lands may grant an extension of time for a period not exceeding three years on payment of not less than 5 per cent. per annum on the prairie or net value of the land on which the timber is standing or lying, subject to such conditions as the Commissioner or Minister may impose.

11. The Crown reserves the right either to accept royalty on the estimated quantity of timber as appraised, or on the amount as it comes from the mill, sawn or in fitches; the conditions governing payment of royalty therefor being those specified in No. 38 of the aforesaid general regulations, subject, however, to these regulations.

12. In every case where payment is to be made by instalments the following special provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) The property in all uncut timber shall remain in the Crown until all the instalments are paid.
- (2.) The value of the timber cut shall at no time exceed the total amount actually paid.
- (3.) In any case where the Conservator of State Forests or Commissioner of Crown Lands is satisfied that timber has been cut in excess of the limit fixed by the last preceding paragraph, he shall appraise the quantity and value of the timber so cut in excess and demand payment from the licensee of the amount of such appraisal. The amount paid shall be in or towards satisfaction of the accruing instalments in the order in which they accrue due, and shall accordingly be credited to the same, as also to the promissory notes securing the same. In default of payment of such amount for the space of fourteen days the whole of the unpaid instalments shall be payable forthwith, and payment may be enforced accordingly.

FORM OF TENDER.

Tender for Kauri Sawmilling Timber.

I, _____ hereby tender for _____ superficial feet of kauri timber.

The position of the timber applied for is shown in red on the lithograph, tracing, or sketch-plan attached hereto.

It is intended to cut the timber at the _____ Mill, situated on _____, in the _____ District, concerning which I attach the following statement as to output, timber on hand, &c.

STATEMENT.

Name of mill, _____, situated in _____ District within _____ miles of _____ Township, and close to or fronting _____ River.
Capacity, _____ million feet per annum.
Output during last year, _____ million feet.
Details of total quantity of timber now on hand for cutting at the above mill— _____ Feet.

Total quantity on hand

I, _____, hereby certify that the above is a correct statement as regards the _____ Mill, for which a tender is now being made to obtain _____ million feet of kauri timber.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 190 .
Name: _____

Full particulars may be obtained at this office.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands and
Conservator of State Forests.

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.
5	A. R. P. 3 1 0	£ s. d. 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 Fuketois, 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.

1. 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.
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 acceptance of tender.
4. 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.
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 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.

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.			
			Rent per Acre per Annum.		Half-yearly Rental.					
		A. R. P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
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

Section 5, Block XIII.; 232 acres 1 rood 8 perches: Open undulating land with generally an easterly aspect; well watered by a running stream; all cultivated but about 30 acres along the creek-bed. The soil consists of a heavy black loam on a sandy clay subsoil. The eastern boundary is fenced with six wires and a barb and standards, and this fence goes with section. The improvements for which valuation is payable on this section consist of 20 chains on half boundary with Section 6, valued at £3.

Section 7, Block XIII.; 307 acres 2 roods 4 perches: Open land with a good soil; one-half has an eastern and the other half a western aspect; part of the section requires draining; well watered by a running stream. Altitude, from 190 ft. to 530 ft. above sea-level. Distance from Clinton about

ten miles and a half, and from Waipahi nine miles and a quarter. About 100 acres have been ploughed, and are now in oat-stubble. The fencing on west and part of northern boundaries goes with the section. There is no valuation for improvements payable on this section.

Section 8, Block XIII.; 310 acres 1 rood 5 perches: Open agricultural land, with generally a northerly aspect. The faces of the ridges are somewhat steep, but are ploughable, while the ridge-tops are flat and easily worked. A few small areas will require draining. Soil, a heavy black loam on a sandy clay subsoil. Section is still practically in its native state. The fence on the west boundary goes with the land, and is composed of standards, six wires, and a barb. The improvements to be paid for consist of 40 chains of fencing on half boundary with Section 7, at 7s. per chain, valued at £14.

Section 9, Block XIII.; 271 acres and 24 perches: Open agricultural land with a northerly or north-easterly aspect; consists of low gently sloping ridges, which are easily ploughed; well watered; heavy black soil on a sandy clay subsoil. Distance from Clinton about ten miles and a half, from Waipahi about six miles and three-quarters. The greater part of this section has been cultivated and sown down, but most of the grasses have run out. The fencing on the west boundary goes with the land: it is composed of standards, six wires, and barb. The improvements comprise—barn, £25; house, £20; 120 chains subdivision fencing and 55 chains of road-line boundary fencing: total valuation, £71.

Section 12, Block XIII.; 230 acres 1 rood: This section is composed of nice rolling downs with a deep black soil and a good aspect; with the exception of a few acres it is all easily ploughable. There is a fair water-supply in the gullies, but permanent water may be got by opening up several springs. The western boundary is fenced, and this fence goes with the land. The total valuation for improvements is £53 14s. These consist of 30 chains of fencing on half boundary with Section 13; 20 chains of fencing on half boundary with Section 50; 56 chains of fencing on north road-line boundary; 60 chains of subdivision fencing; three-roomed house, £25; 30 chains of ditching. Most of the section has been cultivated from time to time.

Section 13, Block XIII.; 253 acres 2 roods 22 perches: Flat ridges intersected by small gullies, which are somewhat steep, but are easily ploughable; aspect good; well watered; well sheltered; good heavy black soil on a clay subsoil; rises high towards southern end. The greater part of the area has been cultivated. The valuation for improvements, £51 3s., represents fencing on half boundary of Section 14=36 chains; north road-line boundary, 46 chains; half boundary with Section 12, 30 chains; half boundary with Section 21, 20 chains; subdivision fencing, 30 chains; house and outhouse, £15. There is also a stable on the section, but, being out of repair, it is not included in the valuation.

Section 21, Block XIII.; 319 acres and 38 perches: Long flat or rolling ridges, not very much broken; good black soil, practically all ploughable; aspect, generally north-easterly; well sheltered and well watered. A part of this section was sown in turnips a few years ago and produced a splendid crop; with this exception it is still in its native state, and contains a good sole of native grasses. The improvements, valued at £37 10s., consist of hut, 20 chains of fencing on half boundary with Section 13, and 67 chains fencing on main-road-line boundary.

Section 4, Block XIV.; 316 acres 1 rood: Open undulating land, terminating in abrupt spurs towards the Pomahaka River, to which this section has a frontage of 67 chains. With the exception of about 50 acres the section is all ploughable. Deep black soil on a sandy clay subsoil; part of the area requires draining; fairly well watered, but permanent water might be got even in the driest seasons by opening up several springs; general aspect, north-easterly. Distance from Clinton thirteen miles and a half, from Clutha River steamer-landing about six miles and a half. Fence on west boundary goes with the land. A small area has been cultivated and sown in grass, but the grass has now pretty well run out. No valuation for improvements.

Sections 16 and 17, Block XIV.; 320 acres: Open undulating sections, slightly broken by small gullies, which in some cases would require draining; practically all ploughable; deep black soil on a sandy clay subsoil. The area has been cultivated and produced good crops and grass. The west boundary is fenced, and this fence goes with the land. Distance from Clinton from eleven to twelve miles, from Waipahi six to seven miles, from Clutha River steamer-landing about seven miles. The improvements consist of 12 chains of fencing of half boundary with Section 7, Block XIII., 125 chains east road-line boundary fencing, and 44 chains north road-line boundary fencing, the whole being valued at £40 16s.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land in Taranaki Land District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, 22nd February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land 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 Wednesday, the 13th day of April, 1904, under the provisions of Part III. of "The Land Act, 1892."

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Second-class Land.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
Patea ..	Kapara ..	7	V.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
				1,213 0 0	0 12 6	758 2 6	0 7 5	18 19 1	0 6	15 3 3

Weighted with £110, valuation for improvements.

Situated on Mataimoana Road. Access from Waverley, about twenty-three miles distant, twenty miles of which is formed dray-road, remainder horse-road. Rough, broken grazing country; good soil, on papa formation; well watered. The forest consists of tawa, rimu, rata, and black-birch, with dense undergrowth. Elevation, 300 ft. to 1,600 ft. above sea-level. The improvements consist of a whare and 50 acres felled and grassed.

JAMES MACKENZIE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Wellington Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 22nd February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be offered for lease by public auction, for a term of five years, at this office, on Wednesday, the 13th April, 1904, at 11 a.m., under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

In the event of the leases not being sold at auction, the lands will remain open for lease on application at the upset annual rentals stated.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—HOROWHENUA COUNTY.—WAIOPU SURVEY DISTRICT.—SUBURBS OF LEVIN.

Section.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
72	0 1 19	1 5 0
73	0 2 2	1 5 0

These sections are situated on the Wellington-Manawatu Railway-line, about 50 chains north of the centre of Levin Township; are level, and laid down in English grasses.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. A deposit of six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 1s. 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 five 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.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 21st February, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction at the upset annual rental and for the term stated below, at this office, on Wednesday, the 13th day of April, 1904, at 11 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.

RUN No. 525, Hokonui Survey District: Area, 8,153 acres 2 roods 15 perches; upset annual rental, £51; term, fourteen years. Weighted with £16 5s., half valuation for boundary fencing.

Possession will be given on day of sale.

Purchaser must deposit the statutory declaration as required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and deposit amount of half-year's rent at rate offered, license fee (£1 1s.), and amount of valuation for improvements, on the fall of the hammer.

JOHN HAY,
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.

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.	
Ruaspehu ..	2	31,841 0 0	398 0 3	21 years.
Kaimanawa ..				
Karioi ..				
Moawhango ..				

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 follows: 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.

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.

Lands in Edendale Settlement, Southland Land District, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 15th March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection at this office, on Friday, the 15th day of April, 1904, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—LINDHURST, MATAURA, LOTHIAN, AND OTERAMIKA HUNDREDS.—EDENDALE SETTLEMENT.

Ordinary Farms for Lease in Perpetuity.

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

LINDHURST HUNDRED.

Subdivision I.

		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1E	IX.	384 0 0	0 1 6	14 8 0

Subdivision II.

2E	IX.	259 0 0	0 2 0	12 19 0
3E	"	351 0 0	0 2 9	24 2 8
11E	"	429 0 0	0 2 9	29 9 11
16E	X.	388 0 0	0 2 3	21 10 11

Subdivision III.

4E	IX.	150 0 0	0 4 3	15 18 9
5E	"	150 0 0	0 4 3	15 18 9

Subdivision IV.

6E	IX.	218 0 0	0 4 3	23 3 3
12E	"	258 0 0	0 4 3	27 8 3
13E	"	258 0 0	0 8 0	51 12 0
17E	X.	250 0 0	0 4 0	25 0 0
18E	"	219 0 0	0 5 6	30 2 3

Subdivision V.

7E	IX.	256 0 0	0 2 7.5	16 16 0
8E	"	232 2 35	0 2 3	13 1 10
9E	"	241 0 0	0 2 6	15 1 3

Subdivision VI.

14E	IX.	168 0 0	0 5 6	23 2 0
19E	X.	125 0 0	0 8 0	25 0 0
20E	IX.	100 0 0	0 11 6	28 15 0
21E	X.	100 0 0	0 13 0	32 10 0
22E	"	100 0 0	0 13 6	33 15 0

* Interest and sinking fund on building valued at £20, repayable in five years by half-yearly instalments of £2 6s. 2d. Total half-yearly, £25 8s. 2d.

Subdivision VII.

10E	IX.	298 0 0	0 3 0	22 7 0
15E	"	350 0 0	0 2 6	21 17 6
23E	X.	350 0 0	0 5 0	43 15 0
24E	"	287 0 0	0 5 6	39 9 3

Subdivision VIII.

25E	X.	339 3 0	0 4 0	33 19 6
26E	"	233 2 20	0 5 6	32 2 6
27E	"	266 0 0	0 4 6	29 18 6
28E	"	258 1 0	0 10 6	67 15 10
35E	"	256 1 38	0 8 0	51 6 0

Subdivision IX.

34E	X.	158 1 8	0 4 9	18 16 0
36E	"	152 2 0	0 10 0	38 2 6

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £60, repayable in five years by half-yearly instalments of £6 18s. 7d. Total half-yearly, £45 1s. 1d.

Subdivision X.

37E	X.	231 2 32	0 14 0	81 1 11
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* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £250, repayable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £9 15s. Total half-yearly, £90 16s. 11d.

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

MATAURA HUNDRED.

		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
87E	I.	205 1 0	0 14 0	71 16 9

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £400, repayable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £15 12s. Total half-yearly, £87 8s. 9d.

90E	I.	200 0 0	0 13 0	65 0 0
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* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £250, repayable in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £9 15s. Total half-yearly, £74 15s.

LINDHURST HUNDRED.

Subdivision XI.

29E	X.	115 1 8	0 10 6	30 5 4
30E	"	60 0 0	0 14 0	21 0 0
31E	"	125 1 0	0 12 6	39 2 10
32E	"	110 1 0	0 13 0	35 16 8
33E	"	100 0 0	0 13 0	32 10 0

Subdivision XII.

38E	X.	100 0 0	0 13 0	32 10 0
39E	"	118 2 0	0 13 0	38 10 3
40E	"	100 0 0	0 13 0	32 10 0
41E	"	100 0 0	0 13 0	32 10 0
42E	"	116 1 0	0 11 6	33 8 6

Subdivision XIII.

43E	X.	300 0 0	0 5 0	37 10 0
44E	"	400 0 0	0 3 9	5 15 6*
45E	"	328 1 32	0 3 9	37 10 0

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £50, repayable in five years by half-yearly instalments of £5 15s. 6d. Total half-yearly, £43 6s. 6d.

MATAURA HUNDRED.

Subdivision XIV.

46E	III.	90 0 0	0 15 0	33 15 0
47E	"	90 0 0	0 15 0	33 15 0
48E	"	90 0 0	0 14 6	32 12 6
49E	"	94 2 10	0 13 0	30 14 8

Subdivision XV.

50E	III.	149 3 33	0 4 0	14 19 11
51E	"	217 0 12	0 3 6	18 19 11
52E	"	113 0 10	0 3 6	9 17 11
53E	"	122 1 37	0 4 0	12 5 0

Subdivision XVI.

61E	III.	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
62E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
63E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
64E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
65E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
66E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
67E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
68E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
69E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
70E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
71E	"	6 2 18	1 0 0	3 6 2

Subdivision XVII.

72E	III.	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
73E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
74E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
75E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
76E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
77E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
78E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
79E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
80E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
81E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0
82E	"	10 0 0	1 0 0	5 0 0

LOTHIAN HUNDRED.

Subdivision XVIII.

54E	III.	223 1 30	0 3 6	19 11 0
55E	"	259 2 30	0 3 3	21 2 0
56E	"	234 0 29	0 3 3	19 0 7
57E	"	219 2 10	0 3 3	17 16 9
58E	"	233 1 20	0 3 9	21 17 7
59E	"	255 2 30	0 3 9	23 19 5

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.
LOTHIAN HUNDRED—continued.				
Subdivision XIX.				
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
60E	V.	298 1 0	0 4 0	31 13 10
88E	"	317 2 0	0 3 9	29 15 4
84E	"	317 2 0	0 3 6	27 15 8
MATAURA HUNDRED.				
Subdivision XX.				
85E	I.	161 2 20	0 10 6	42 8 6
86E	"	161 2 20	0 10 6	42 8 6
89E	"	200 0 0	0 12 6	62 10 0
Subdivision XXI.				
88E	I.	222 0 0	0 5 0	27 15 0
91E	"	236 0 0	0 7 6	44 5 0
94E	"	146 0 0	0 11 0	40 3 0
Subdivision XXII.				
92E	I.	100 0 0	0 12 0	30 0 0
93E	"	100 0 0	0 11 6	28 15 0
95E	"	100 0 0	0 12 6	31 5 0
96E	"	100 0 0	0 12 6	31 5 0
97E	"	119 0 13	0 12 6	37 4 3
98E	"	114 0 18	0 12 0	34 4 10
Subdivision XXIII.				
99E	I.	62 1 15	0 14 0	21 16 5
100E	"	82 3 20	0 12 6	25 18 0
101E	"	83 1 10	0 12 6	26 0 9
102E	"	117 0 5	0 12 0	35 2 4
103E	"	90 1 28	0 11 6	26 0 0
104E	"	90 3 13	0 11 0	24 19 8
105E	"	93 3 21	0 11 0	25 16 4
106E	"	93 1 37	0 11 0	25 14 2
107E	"	100 1 3	0 11 0	27 11 6
108E	"	98 2 4	0 11 0	27 1 11
LOTHIAN HUNDRED.				
Subdivision XXIV.				
109E	V.	201 0 0	0 4 0	20 2 0
110E	"	201 0 0	0 4 0	20 2 0
* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £60, repay- able in ten years by half-yearly instalments of £3 17s. 8d. Total half-yearly, £23 19s. 8d.				
OTERAMIKA HUNDRED.				
117E	XI.	168 1 29	0 5 0	21 1 1
118E	"	259 1 0	0 4 0	27 10 11
122E	"	304 3 0	0 4 0	30 9 6
Subdivision XXV.				
111E	XI.	364 1 0	0 3 6	31 17 5
116E	"	303 0 0	0 2 3	17 0 11
Subdivision XXVI.				
112E	XI.	184 0 10	0 7 0	32 4 3
113E	"	173 3 35	0 7 0	30 9 0
114E	"	162 0 11	0 5 0	20 5 2
115E	"	163 2 30	0 7 0	28 12 11
120E	"	162 3 19	0 7 6	30 10 9
121E	"	238 1 0	0 5 6	32 15 3
Subdivision XXVII.				
119E	XI.	99 2 0	0 7 6	18 13 2

JOHN HAY,
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 per-
petuity, 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.

*Land in Otago Land District for Sale under Section 114 of
"The Land Act, 1892."*

District Lands and Survey Office,
Dunedin, 14th March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 240 of
"The Land Act, 1892," that the undermentioned
land will be offered to the holder of adjoining land under
section 114 of the said Act on and after Monday, the 20th
June, 1904.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.
39	IV.	Glenkenich ..	A. R. P. 3 3 15

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Land in Wellington Land District for Disposal in Terms of
Section 13 of "The Land Act Amendment Act, 1895."*

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 7th March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of section 240 of
"The Land Act, 1892," that the undermentioned
land will be offered for lease to the holder of adjoining land,
in accordance with the provisions of section 13 of "The
Land Act Amendment Act, 1895," on or after Friday, the
10th day of June, 1904.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.
62	VI.	Waiopehu ..	A. R. P. 5 0 0

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

NATIVE LAND COURT NOTICES.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Kawakawa, Bay of Islands.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 18th March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Kawakawa, Bay of Islands, on the 15th day of April, 1904, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Auckland, 1904-20.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties
1	Transfer (C.A. 1904-4) ..	7th December, 1903 ..	Te Mangaiti No. 4B ..	Hemi Riwhi, of Kaeo, to Albert Nesbit, also of Kaeo.
2	Transfer (C.A. 1904-19) ..	10th February, 1904 ..	Te Mangaiti No. 4A ..	Motio Toetoe, of Kaeo, to Albert Nesbit, also of Kaeo.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Otorohanga, Auckland.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 18th March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Otorohanga on the 26th day of March, 1904, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Auckland, 1904-21.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1249	Kiri Katipa (91-95, 5/68)	Te Awaroa A No. 7.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Wellington.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 23rd March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Wellington on the 27th day of April, 1904, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Wellington, 1904-4.]

R. C. SIM, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
ADJOURNED APPLICATIONS.				
1	Lease (1903-51) ..	26th February, 1903 ..	Ohau No. 3, Subdivision 26, Section 11	Netahio Tauhe and Atareta Roto Tauhe to Herbert John Jillett.
2	Conveyance (1903-68) ..	19th April, 1903 ..	Aorere G, Subdivision 1	Karewa Riwai and Hoani te Uakihī to William Calverley Riley.
3	Conveyance (1903-80) ..	22nd May, 1903 ..	Manawatu-Kukutauaki No. 2E, part Sections 11 and 12	Raureti Ngawhena to Tiriwa Takerei.
4	Lease (1903-200) ..	3rd November, 1903 ..	Hutt, Section 3, part Subdivision 12	Eparaima Takarangi to Baker Brothers.
5	Lease (1903-213) ..	3rd November, 1903 ..	Hutt, part Section 3 ..	Tupoki Takarangi to Baker Brothers.
6	Transfer (1903-145) ..	18th March, 1903 ..	Foxton, part Section 167	Hohipuha Kareanui to Robert Griffiths Perrean.
7	Lease (1902-188) ..	26th August, 1902 ..	Pukehou 4B, 4A No. 1B	Aneta Tahitangata to Frances Duncan Thomson.
8	Conveyance (1902-212) ..	16th October, 1903 ..	Aorere, Section 13 ..	Matene Raharuhi (in his own right and as trustee for Tamati Marino Raharuhi and Hinga Raharuhi) to George Willis Riley.
NEW APPLICATIONS.				
9	Transfer (1903-71) ..	24th September, 1902	Horowhenua, Lot 32, part Section 10, and other lands	Kingi Hoani and Ripeka Hoani to Alice Warren.
10	Transfer (1903-93) ..	26th May, 1903 ..	Ohau No. 3, Subdivision 26, Section 18B	Matiaha Ranapiri and Heera Ranapiri to the Wirikino Road Board.
11	Mortgage (1903-97) ..	12th June, 1903 ..	Pukehou 4G, Section 12	George Bevan to George Herbert Harper.
12	Lease (1903-192) ..	5th October, 1903 ..	Uwhiroa (part of) ..	Niniwa Heremaia and others to Alexander James Toogood and others.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS—*continued.*

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
13	Lease (1903-199)	.. 30th September, 1903	Waitarere, Subdivision 3	Witarihana Rupuha and another to John McMillan.
14	Transfer (1903-211)	.. 7th June, 1899 ..	Haruatai No. 11 ..	Te Peka Pipito to Edmond Tudor Atkinson.
15	Lease (1903-216)	.. 10th May, 1903 ..	Pukehou 4D No. 2 ..	Ruta Enoka and others to William Lawler.
16	Lease (1903-217)	.. 10th May, 1903 ..	Pukehou 4E No. 3 ..	Ruta Enoka and others to William Lawler.
17	Lease (1904-4)	.. 20th March, 1903 ..	Manawatu-Kukutaauaki No. 3, Section 1A No. 2	Karaitiana te Ahu to Sarah Muggleton.
18	Lease (1904-13)	.. 18th January, 1904 ..	Oruapuputa Nos. 4 and 20, Block IX.	Wi Neera te Kanae and others to Harriet Columbia Patterson.
19	Lease (1904-15)	.. 13th January, 1904 ..	Manawatu-Kukutaauaki 4c No. 2	Thomas Bevan, jun., to Edward Bevan.
20	Transfer (1904-20)	.. 7th January, 1904 ..	Horowhenua 11A, Subdivision 9	Hema Henare to Daniel Hannan.
21	Transfer (1904-26)	.. 30th January, 1904 ..	Waitarere No. 7B ..	Pia Wairau to Henry Cooley.
22	Transfer (1904-30)	.. 3rd November, 1903 ..	Levin Town, Block XV., Section 4	Warena Kerehi to William A. Gosling.
23	Lease (1904-31)	.. 10th December, 1903 ..	Mangatainoka K No. 2 (part of)	Ngawhiro Marakaia and Erina Korou to Hart Udy.
24	Lease (1904-37)	.. 12th December, 1903 ..	Ngarara West C, part Section 41	Wi Parata Waipunahau to Mary Elizabeth Port.
25	Mortgage (1904-38)	.. 15th January, 1904 ..	Ohanu No. 3, Subdivision 21, Section 1	Netahio Tauhehe to Claude Alwyn Palmer.
26	Transfer (1904-39)	.. February, 1904 ..	Wellington Harbour District, Section 1, Subdivisions 80, 81, 86, 87, 90, and 91	M. A. Moorhouse to Richard Keene and James Reid.
27	Transfer (1904-40)	.. February, 1904 ..	Wellington Harbour District, Section 79	M. A. Moorhouse to Sarah Ann Rhodes.
28	Lease (1904-39)	.. 26th August, 1899 ..	Porirua (Williamstown), Section 9, Subdivision 1	Henare Pitt and others to James Futter.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
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ADJOURNED APPLICATIONS.

30	Ripeka Matene and Manu Mataka	Subdivision 12, Section 3, Hutt.
31	Heremaia Rahera, <i>alias</i> Eruini	.. ..	Parangarahu No. 6.
32	Pirihira Nguru, Miriama Tarewa, Urupine te Hai, and others	.. ..	Haukaretu.
33	Te Whakarau Kotua	.. ..	Mahinawa No. 1 (Takapuahia).
34	Arihira Puketapu	.. ..	Ngahauranga.
35	Ripeka Matene (by her solicitors, Menteach and Beere)	.. ..	Hutt, Section 3, Subdivision 19.
36	Mere te Hiko	.. ..	Wairere.
37	Tere Maihi (by his solicitor, T. R. Ellison)	.. ..	Te Onepoto.
38	Rangiwahia te Puni	.. ..	Hutt, Section 58, Subdivision 4.
39	Paranihi Heta, Horomona Rehe, and Heta Namu	.. ..	Awapatiki No. 2 (Manukau).
40	Inia Tuhata	.. ..	Otonga 1E No. 4.
41	Hanikamu te Hiko (agent for Harata Kiore)	.. ..	Hutt, Section 175.

NEW APPLICATIONS.

42	Taniora Love and Josephine Love	.. ..	Oamaru No. 1.
43	Mere Tahuaroa	.. ..	Wairau, Block XII., Subdivision 12.
44	Ropata Tangahoe	.. ..	Maraetakaroro Kapiti No. 2.
45	Wiremu Whatakorari and Hikatoa Matiaha	.. ..	Waimarama No. 3.
46	Ihaka Nuitone	.. ..	Hutt, Section 19, Subdivision 7.
47	Henare Otonore	.. ..	Ohanu No. 3, Subdivision 26, Section 10.
48	Mihaka Karepa	.. ..	Waitarere No. 6.
49	Edmond Tudor Atkinson	.. ..	Waitohu 11c

APPLICATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	
110	Mawene Hohua and Apikaira te Taotao	.. ..	Te Aro Pah, Lot 18.
111	Karepa Waata	.. ..	Te Iwitekai 2a.
112	Akanihi Himiona	.. ..	Williamstown, Block VIII., Section 18.
113	Akanihi Himiona	.. ..	Williamstown, Block VII., Section 16.
114	Thomas R. Ellison and J. M. B. Rutland	.. ..	Takaka, Subdivision 3, Section 9.
115	Honiana te Puni	.. ..	Parangarahu No. 1.
116	Karewa Riwai and Matene Raharuhi	.. ..	Aorere Section 13

APPLICATIONS FOR PROBATE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
119	Apikaera te Taotao	Mawene Hohua te Atuwera.
120	Mary Jane Jillett and Herbert John Jillett (by their solicitors, Menteach and Beere)	William Jillett.
121	James A. Stewart	Parekahu te Whakataupoki.
122	Horomona Rehe (by his solicitors, Chapman and Tripp)	Ihimaera Horomona

APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.
123	Hemi Kupa Hawea (by his solicitors, Morison and Loughnan) ..	Hera Tuhangahanga.

APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Name of Person under Disability.
124	Bunny and Rawson	Hutt, Section 24, Subdivision 16	Eruera Hohua.
125	Kokonga	New Zealand Company's Tenths	Ani Rapera.

Application for Confirmation Certificate under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 18th March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that 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.

[Auckland, Sec. 55, 1904-5.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
8	Mortgage (C.A. 1903-111)	18th July, 1903	Lot 64, Parish of Waioeka	Isaac Walker, of Opotiki, to Charles Frederick Bockett, also of Opotiki.

Applications for Confirmation Certificates under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 23rd March, 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	Transfer (1904-32)	15th March, 1903	Hua District, Lot 131	Hona Punuwhare to William Hale.
2	Lease (1904-33)	15th March, 1904	Ohau No. 3, Subdivision 26, Section 18c	Matiaha Ranapiri to John Gwynneth Stevens.
3	Transfer (1904-34)	15th March, 1904	Ohau No. 3, Subdivision 26, Section 19	Wehipeihana Tabarape and Roha Wehipeihana to Robert Ransfield.
4	Transfer (1904-36)	9th February, 1904	Whakahemate	Hui te Miha to Angus Drummond McMaster.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that statements of accounts and balance-sheets in respect of the undermentioned estates, together with the report of the Audit Office thereon, have been duly filed in the above Court; and I hereby further give notice that at the sitting of the said Court to be holden on Monday, the 18th day of April, 1904, I intend to apply for an order releasing me from the administration of the said estates.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1904.

Walker, A. F., Wanganui (supplementary account).
Francis, P. L., Wanganui (supplementary account).
Greig, R., Mangaweka.
Darling, R., Wanganui.
Thompson, S., Wanganui.
Crowley, M., Mangaweka.
McFerran, P., Wanganui.
Conchie, D. J., Wanganui.
Wyatt, R. G., Wanganui.
Baker, H. G., Wanganui.
Main, F., Bull's.
Ashwin, E., Wanganui.
Gibson, J., Wanganui.
Bull, A. S., Wanganui.
Beaumont, R., Wanganui.
Gardiner, W., Wanganui.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that FREDRICK BYNG COPLEY, of Greymouth, Blacksmith, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of March, 1904, at 11 o'clock.

15th March, 1904. G. S. SMITH,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HUGH DOUGLAS, of Leeston, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 25th day of March, 1904, at 11 o'clock.

19th March, 1904. G. L. GREENWOOD,
Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN HADDIN BARR, lately of Oamaru, but now of 20, Eden Street, Dunedin, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Court-house, at Oamaru, on Friday, the 25th day of March, 1904, at 2 o'clock p.m.

Oamaru, 15th March, 1904. C. W. COOKE,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that PETER McDERMID, of South Invercargill, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 1904, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

Invercargill, 22nd March, 1904. CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

MINING NOTICES.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Parapara Hydraulic Sluicing and Mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 18th June, 1892.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Wellington; Thomas John Cory Warren, Secretary.
Nominal capital: £55,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £50,600.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £26,360.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £20,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 55,000, of £1 each.
Number of shares allotted: 40,600.
Amount paid per share: 39,800 "B" and "C" shares, each £1 paid up; 200 "B" shares, each 5s. paid up; 10,600 "A" shares, each 12s. paid up.
Amount called up per share: On "A" shares, 12s. per share; on "B" and "C" shares, £1 per share.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 7; £150.
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: 61.
Number of men employed by company: 20.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 783 oz. 6 dwt. 14 gr. (gold standard); value, £3,042 6s. 9d.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 6,403 oz. 6 dwt. 9 gr. (gold standard); value, £24,554 4s. 2d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,493 19s. 9d.
Total expenditure since registration: £51,634 8s. 1d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £150.
Amount of debts considered good: £150.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £1,000.
Amount of debts owing by company: £265 6s. 8d.

I, Thomas John Cory Warren, the Secretary of the Parapara Hydraulic Sluicing and 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."

T. J. C. WARREN,
Secretary.

Declared at Wellington, this 2nd day of March, 1904, before me—John G. W. Aitken, J.P. 435

In the matter of the Point d'Or Gold-dredging Company (Limited).

At a meeting of the members of the above-named company, held at Dunedin on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1904, the following special resolutions were passed:—

1. "That the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of 'The Companies Act, 1903.'"
2. "That James Brown be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding-up, at a fee of twenty-five pounds."

And at a subsequent meeting held on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1904, the above special resolutions were confirmed.

Dated this 17th day of March, 1904.

ALFRED JAMES,
Chairman.

Witness—W. H. Taylor, Law Clerk, Dunedin. 430

UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1898."

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE FOR A WATER-RACE.

To the Warden of the Otago Mining District, at Cromwell.

PURSUANT to "The Mining Act, 1898," the undersigned, Daniel James McIntosh, Blacksmith, George Scott, Shepherd, and Winnifred Brotherton, Domestic Duties, all of Burnt Cottage, Cromwell District, hereby apply for a license for a water-race as specified in the Schedule hereto, the course whereof has been duly marked out for the purpose.

Dates and numbers of miners' rights: 18th February, 1904; No. 40955. 22nd February, 1904; No. 40954. 7th July, 1904; No. 37745.

Address for service: C/o John Werner, Mining Agent, Lowburn.

Dated at Lowburn, this 23rd day of February, 1904.

SCHEDULE.

Locality of the race, and of its starting and terminal points: Commencing in Burnt Cottage Creek at the road-crossing; terminating on Section 53, Block III., Cromwell Survey District.

N.B.—This race is to be constructed through private land, viz., section marked P.R.B. on the map of the Cromwell District.

Length and intended course of race: About half a mile; easterly.

Points of intake: One, as described.

Estimated time and cost of construction: One week; £10.

Mean depth and breadth: 1 ft. by 1 ft.

Number of heads to be diverted: $\frac{1}{2}$ head.

Purpose for which water is to be used: Domestic purposes.

Proposed term of license: Forty-two years.

McINTOSH AND PARTY,
(Per their Registered Agent, Jno. WERNER),
Applicant.

Precise time of filing of the foregoing application: 11.40 a.m. on 23rd February, 1904.

Time and place appointed for the hearing of the application and all objections thereto: Thursday, 14th April, 1904, at 11 a.m., at Warden's Court, Cromwell.

Objections thereto must be filed in the Registrar's office and notified to applicant at least twenty-four hours before the day so appointed.

E. D. MOSLEY,
Mining Registrar.

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UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1898."

APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSE FOR MINING PRIVILEGE.

To the Warden of the Otago Mining District, at Roxburgh.

PURSUANT to "The Mining Act, 1898," the undersigned, the Roxburgh Amalgamated Mining and Sluicing Company (Limited), being the holder of the license specified in the Schedule, hereby applies for a renewal thereof for a term of fifteen years, commencing on the expiry of the current term.

Address for service: C/o R. Cockburn, Roxburgh.

Dated at Roxburgh, this 15th day of December, 1903.

SCHEDULE.—PARTICULARS OF CURRENT LICENSE.

Date and registered number: 17th October, 1903; No. 6337. Name and locality of mining privilege: Water-race, Block III., Teviot River.

Date of expiry of term: 16th October, 1903.

THE ROXBURGH AMALGAMATED MINING AND SLUICING COMPANY (LIMITED),
(By their Agent, ROBERT COCKBURN), Applicant.

Precise time of filing application for this license: 11 a.m., 15th December, 1903. Time and place appointed for hearing of this application: Thursday, 11th February, 1904, at 11 a.m., in the Warden's Court, Roxburgh.

418 FREDERICK JEFFERY, Mining Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

3804. ALICE KATHARINE BUTLER.—Part of Lots 7 and 8 of the subdivision of Allotment 7, Section 7, Suburbs of Auckland, containing $6\frac{1}{10}$ perches. Occupied by Mr. Tattersall.

3935. ELIZABETH CATHERINE CHAMBERLAIN.—Lot 1 of the subdivision of Allotment 6, Section 8, City of Auckland, containing $6\frac{1}{10}$ perches. Occupied by Applicant.

4019. MICHAEL MALONEY.—Lot 2 of the subdivision of Allotments 16, 17, Section 39, in the City of Auckland, containing $6\frac{3}{10}$ perches. Occupied by Applicant.

4048. ALBERT SEABROOK.—Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 of the subdivision of Allotment 256, Parish of Waikomiti, containing 34 acres 2 roods 6 perches. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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WHEREAS a memorandum of transfer—ANN JAMES BOTHAMLEY to HENRY WILLIAM JENKINS—of Section 11, Block XIV., Russell Survey District, being the land comprised in occupation license, Volume 108, folio 286, of the Register-book, has been presented for registration, and evidence adduced of the loss of the duplicate license: Now, notice is hereby given of my intention to register such transfer at the expiration of fourteen days after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice, without requiring the production of the said duplicate license.

Dated this 14th day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," and its amendments, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 25th day of April, 1904.

3472. CATHERINE CASHMAN PETERS.— $7\frac{3}{10}$ perches, part Section 56, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

3478. ERNEST GREGORY PILCHER.—10 acres 1 rood $8\frac{1}{10}$ perches, part Section 35, Hutt District. Occupied by—Robertson as tenant.

3481. ELIZABETH CAROLINE SPEEDY.—32 acres 3 roods 15 perches, part Sections 37 and 48, Hutt District. Occupied by Applicant.

3490. ALEXANDER JAMES McTAVISH and JAMES GODBER.—104 acres 1 rood 23 perches, Section 101, Hutt District. Unoccupied.

3492. CHARLES HOUCHEM.— $11\frac{1}{10}$ perches, part Section 738, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

440

APPLICATION having been made to me to register a transfer of lease No. 2999 from THOMAS EDWARD ASTWOOD to JAMES ASTWOOD, of Nireaha, Farmer, affecting Suburban Section 109 and Town Section 55, Township of Newman, being part of the land comprised in certificates of title, Vol. 29A, folios 68 and 69, and the whole of the land in the said lease No. 2999, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said lease, I hereby give notice that I will dispense with the production of the said lease and register the transfer as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 7th day of April, 1904.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

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APPLICATION having been made to me to register a transmission of the estate of ELIZABETH ROPER, deceased, to LUCY HILDA ORMSBY STUART, wife of Alexander Stuart, of London, as mortgagee, under memorandum of mortgage No. 9180, affecting Section 57 of Subdivision P, Manchester Block, deposited plan No. 215, being the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 55, folio 75, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said mortgage, I hereby give notice that I will dispense with the production of the said mortgage and register the transmission as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 7th day of April, 1904.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

W. STUART,
District Land Registrar.

442

EVIDENCE having been furnished of the loss of certificates of title, Register-books, Vol. 121, folio 271, and Vol. 136, folio 99, comprising Rural Sections 5453, 5456, 24428, 25047, 30204, and 24429, situated in Block XIII. of the Ophi Survey District, whereof the AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MORTGAGE COMPANY (LIMITED) is the registered proprietor, and application having been made to me to issue provisional certificates of title, I hereby give notice that I will issue such provisional certificates at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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A PPLICATION having been made to me to register a re-entry by the MAYOR, COUNCILLORS, AND BURGESSES OF THE BOROUGH OF TIMARU, as lessors, under memorandum of lease, registered No. 1511, of Town Section 111, Timaru, being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 72, folio 111, of which Arthur Hope, of Timaru, Stonemason, is the registered lessee, I hereby give notice that I will register such re-entry at the expiration of one month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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

9632. STEPHEN TASKER.—5 acres, parts of Rural Sections 16 and 54, Block XV., Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant and T. Cleland.

9764. CLARA ANNIE MARIA MEDHURST SULLIVAN.—21 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, part of Town Section 36, Lyttelton. Occupied by John Eames, — Ledger, and Applicant.

9770. JOHN McBEATH.—1 acre 1 rood 35 perches, Lots 4, 19, and 20, Plan 816, Part of Rural Section 1689, Block I., Patiti Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

9771. WILLIAM BENNETT.—3 roods, part of Rural Section 5787, Block XIV., Leeston Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

445

A PPLICATION having been made to me to register a discharge of mortgage No. 13897, of Sections 1, 2, and 3, Block VII., Teviot District (registered mortgagee, JOHN BAYNE), and evidence having been furnished of the loss of the outstanding duplicate of said mortgage, I hereby give notice of my intention to dispense with the production of the said duplicate mortgage and register the aforesaid discharge at the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof in the *Gazette*.

Dated this 21st day of March, 1904, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

W. WYINKS,
District Land Registrar.

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PRIVATE ADVERTISEMENTS.

I JAMES HERBERT GRAHAM ROBERTSON, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of New Zealand, now residing in Dunedin, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 24th April next to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar-General.

J. H. G. ROBERTSON.

Dated at Dunedin, 24th March, 1904.

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I JOHN FREW ROBERTSON, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, and Bachelor of Science, University of New Zealand, and now residing in Dunedin, do hereby give notice that I intend to apply on the 4th day of April, 1904, to have my name placed on the Medical Register of the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification at the office of the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.

Dated at Dunedin, the 14th March, 1904.

JOHN F. ROBERTSON,
M.B., B.Ch., B.Sc.

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"THE COMPANIES ACT, 1903," SECTION 266 (3).

Re The Crown Iron Works Company (Limited).

TAKE notice that the name of the above-mentioned company will, at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register, and the company will be dissolved.

Dated at Christchurch, this 22nd day of March, 1904.

P. G. WITHERS,
Assistant Registrar of Companies.

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"THE COMPANIES ACT, 1903," SUBSECTION (4) OF SECTION 266.

TAKE notice that, in pursuance of the provisions contained in subsection (4) of section 266 of "The Companies Act, 1903," the names of the undermentioned companies have now been struck off the Register, and the said companies are dissolved.

NAMES OF COMPANIES.

The Masterton Co-operative Bakery Company (Limited).
The Woodville Public Hall Company (Limited).
Union Steam Navigation Company (Limited).
The Wellington Meat Export Company (Limited).
The Coalfield of the West Wanganui Company (Limited).
The New Zealand Reformer Newspaper Company (Limited).
Te Aro Theatre and Public Hall Company (Limited).
The Palmerston Brewery Company (Limited).
The Greytown Temperance Hall Company (Limited).

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1904, at the Joint-stock Companies Office, Wellington.

C. H. WALTER DIXON,
Assistant Registrar.

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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 Masterton Flax Company (Limited).
The Murchison Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
The Terawhiti Welcome Gold-mining Company (Limited).

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1904, at the Joint-stock Companies Office, Wellington.

C. H. WALTER DIXON,
Assistant Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore carried on by LETHAM WALLACE MACKERSEY and CHARLES LINDSAY MACKERSEY, both of Wanstead, Sheepfarmers, under the style or firm of "Mackersey Bros.," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. And notice is also hereby given that all accounts owing to or by the late firm will be received and paid by the said Charles Lindsay Mackersey, at Hastings.

Dated this 11th day of March, 1904.

CHARLES L. MACKERSEY,
L. W. MACKERSEY.

Witness to the signing hereof by the said Letham Wallace Mackersey and Charles Lindsay Mackersey — F. Logan,
Solicitor, Napier. 429

THE DUNEDIN ENGINEERING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 230 of "The Companies Act, 1903," that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held at the registered office of the company, in Willis Street, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 26th day of May, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of.

Dated the 15th day of March, 1904.

ALBERT EDWARD FISH,
Liquidator.

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"FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1882." — CANCELLING OF REGISTRY.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 23rd March, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registrar of Friendly Societies has, pursuant to section 10 of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," by writing under his hand dated this 23rd day of March, 1904, cancelled the registry of the Court Pride of Palmerston, Register No. 144 (32), situated at Palmerston North, on the ground that the said branch has ceased to exist.

GEO. LESLIE,
Registrar.

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WOODLANDS DAIRY FACTORY COMPANY
(LIMITED).

I, W. L. TAYLOR, Liquidator of the said company, do hereby call a Meeting of Shareholders, to be held in my office on Wednesday, the 1st day of June, 1904, at 2 o'clock, to receive final report of winding-up of said company.

Woodlands, 18th March, 1904. W. L. TAYLOR,
437 Liquidator.

CANTERBURY COLLEGE, CHRISTCHURCH, NEW
ZEALAND.

ELECTION OF A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

IN pursuance of regulations under "The Canterbury College and Canterbury Agricultural College Act, 1896," I, ALEXANDER CRACROFT WILSON, Returning Officer, do hereby notify that the undermentioned person has been duly elected a member of the Board of Governors of Canterbury College by the graduates of the University of New Zealand who for the time being are on the books of Canterbury College:—

ALFRED GEORGE TALBOT, M.A. N.Z., M.B. Edin.
431 A. CRACROFT WILSON,
Returning Officer.

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