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Validating the Notice of the Poll of Ratepayers in connection with a Loan of £4,000 applied for by the Sefton-Ashley Drainage Board.

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-first day of December, 1906.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Sefton-Ashley Drainage Board has applied to the Colonial Treasurer, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), and its amendments, for a loan of four thousand pounds for the purpose of erecting protective works along the River Ashley, three thousand three hundred pounds; Stoney Creek, two hundred pounds; and Fox's Creek, five hundred pounds: And whereas by section eleven of the said Act it is provided that the Chairman of the local body shall publish a notice setting forth the day on which the poll of ratepayers is to be taken: And whereas the said notice setting forth the date as the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and six, upon which a poll of ratepayers would be taken on the proposal to raise the above-mentioned loan was not published in a newspaper, but was instead notified by printed circular sent or posted to each individual ratepayer: And whereas the Governor is satisfied that the ratepayers were not misled by such irregularity, and it appears expedient to validate the said notice of poll:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities contained in the tenth section of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," doth hereby validate the said recited notice of poll so sent or posted as aforesaid, and doth hereby declare that all proceedings thereunder shall be and be deemed to have been as good, valid, and effectual as if the said recited notice of poll had been duly and regularly published in terms of the said Act.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Native Lands taken for the Purposes of a Road in Maungatuna No. 2 and Kopuatarakihi No. 2 Blocks, Uawa Survey District, Cook County.

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this eleventh day of April, 1907.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken for a public work, to wit, for the purposes of a road in Maungatuna No. 2 and Kopuatarakihi No. 2 Blocks, Uawa Survey District:

And whereas the said lands are 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 lands, as required by the eighty-ninth section of "The Public Works Act, 1905":

Now, therefore, in pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in him by the eighty-ninth 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 lands 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 lands shall vest in His Majesty the King as from the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven.

SCHEDULE.

Approximate Area of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 13	Maungatuna No. 2	III	Uawa ..	R. 592	Red.
0 0 4	Kopuatarakihi No. 2	"	" ..	"	Yellow.

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extending Hour for Closing Poll at Election of Members of Spreydon Road Board.

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of April, 1907.

Present :

THE HONOURABLE W. HALL-JONES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by "The Local Elections Act, 1904," 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 extend the hour at which the poll for the election of members of the Spreydon Road Board, to be held and taken, under "The Road Boards Act, 1882," in the Spreydon Road District on the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, shall close, to seven o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Feilding Fire District defined.

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of April, 1907.

Present :

THE HONOURABLE W. HALL-JONES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section thirty of "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor may by Order in Council from time to time, on application of any Borough Council, declare any area under the control of such Borough Council to be a fire district under the said Act: And whereas such application has been made by the Feilding Borough Council in respect of the area described in the Schedule hereto, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, and it appears expedient to grant the said application:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare the area described in the Schedule hereto to be a fire district under the said Act, that the name of such district shall be "The Feilding Fire District," and that the boundaries thereof shall be those set forth in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

FEILDING FIRE DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Land District of Wellington known as the Borough of Feilding. Bounded towards the north generally by Section No. 184, Block XIV, Oroua Survey District, from its south-western corner to the Railway Reserve; thence by the production of the southern boundary-line of the said Section No. 184 to the eastern side of Makino Road; thence by the said Makino Road to the south-western corner of Section No. 162; thence by Sections Nos. 162, 173, 174, 175, 176, and 177 to Reid's road-line; thence by the production of the eastern boundary-line of the last-mentioned section to the north-eastern side of the said Reid's road-line; thence by the north-eastern side of that road-line to the south-eastern side of Kimbolton Road; thence towards the east generally by the south-eastern side of the said Kimbolton Road to the Kiwitea Stream; thence by the left bank of the said Kiwitea Stream to the confluence of the said Kiwitea Stream with the Oroua River; thence by the said Oroua River to the Railway Reserve; thence towards the south generally by the said Railway Reserve to South Street; thence by the south side of South Street to Awahuri Road; thence by the east side of Awahuri

Road to a point in line with the southern boundary-line of Section No. 85, Block XIV aforesaid; thence by a right line to the south-eastern corner of that section; thence by the southern boundary-line of the said Section No. 85 for a distance of 796 links; thence towards the west generally by a right line bearing 354° 0' 11" (magnetic) to the road forming the northern boundary of Section No. 132; thence by that road to the north-eastern corner of the said Section No. 132; thence by a right line to the south-eastern corner of Section No. 130, Block XIV aforesaid; and thence by the said Section No. 130 to the south-western corner of Section No. 184 aforesaid, the place of commencement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Oamaru Fire District defined.

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of April, 1907.

Present :

THE HONOURABLE W. HALL-JONES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section thirty of "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor may by Order in Council from time to time, on application of any Borough Council, declare any area under the control of such Borough Council to be a fire district under the said Act: And whereas such application has been made by the Oamaru Borough Council in respect of the area described in the Schedule hereto, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, and it appears expedient to grant the said application:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare the area described in the Schedule hereto to be a fire district under the said Act, that the name of such district shall be "The Oamaru Fire District," and that the boundaries thereof shall be those set forth in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

THE OAMARU FIRE DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,111 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Block I, Oamaru Survey District; towards the east by the ocean; towards the south-west and north-west by Block IV of said district; and again towards the north-west by Block II.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Palmerston North Fire District defined.

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of April, 1907.

Present :

THE HONOURABLE W. HALL-JONES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section thirty of "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is provided that the Governor may by Order in Council from time to time, on application of any Borough Council, declare any area under the control of such Borough Council to be a fire district under the said Act: And whereas such application has been made by the Palmerston North Borough Council in respect of the area described in the Schedule hereto, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, and it appears expedient to grant the said application:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby declare the area described in the Schedule hereto to be a fire district under the said Act, that the name of such district shall be "The Palmerston North Fire District," and that the boundaries thereof shall be those set forth in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

THE PALMERSTON NORTH FIRE DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District known as the Borough of Palmerston North. Bounded towards the north-east by a straight line being the north-eastern boundaries of Sections Nos. 389 and 420 and a straight line joining the said north-eastern boundaries, 12550 links; towards the east and south-east by the Manawatu River, 36400 links, and by Section No. 371, 177 links; towards the south-west by Sections Nos. 371, 372, 373, and 374, 6250 links, and by Section No. 370, 3000 links, and by Section No. 350, and across a public road, 8200 links; and towards the north-west by a public road, being the north-western boundary of Section No. 558, 177 links, and by a public road, 27300 links.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th April, 1907.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HENRY ALEXANDER TARRANT, JUN.,
to be the Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the District of Motueka.

JOHN G. FINDLAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Cadets appointed.

Head Office, Stamp Department,
Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM STEWART RAE
to be a cadet in the Land Transfer Office, Dunedin, as from the 15th instant; and

HARRY DIEDRICH WEBB
to be a cadet in the Land Transfer Office, Christchurch, as from the 22nd instant.

J. CARROLL,
Minister of Stamp Duties.

Notification of Vacancy of Seat in the House of Representatives for Electoral District of Taranaki.

IN compliance with the provisions of subsection (1) of section 91 of "The Electoral Act, 1905," I, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, hereby notify that

EDWARD METCALF SMITH, Esq.,

a member of the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of Taranaki, died on the nineteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and seven, during a recess of the House, and that the said seat is vacant by reason of such death.

Dated at Greymouth, the 24th day of April, one thousand nine hundred and seven.

ARTHUR ROBERT GUINNESS,
Speaker.

Rules made by Insurance Companies under "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906," approved.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

THE following rules made by the insurance companies have been approved by His Excellency the Governor, and are published in accordance with "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906."

JAMES MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

WHEREAS by section 4 of "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906," it is enacted that elections by fire-insurance companies carrying on business in New Zealand of members of Boards under the said Act shall be held under rules made by such insurance companies: Now, the fire-insurance companies carrying on business in New Zealand hereby make the following rules under the said Act:—

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE FIRE-INSURANCE COMPANIES.

1. All terms used in these rules shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the same meaning as in "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906" (herein called "the Act").

2. On or before the 30th day of April, 1907, and thereafter on or before the 1st day of April in every second or alternate year, or so often as any casual vacancy shall occur amongst the insurance companies' representatives, the Minister shall notify in the *Government Gazette*, and by circular addressed to each insurance company, and to the Secretary of the Council of the Fire Underwriters' Associations of New Zealand, that an election of representatives of insurance companies is required. The notice shall state the number of persons to be elected, the Fire Boards for which they are to be elected, and the date of the election.

3. Such biennial election shall be held on the third Monday in May, and any other election shall be held on such day within one month after a vacancy occurs as shall be determined by the Minister and notified as aforesaid.

4. Only those companies that are carrying on fire-insurance business within the district concerned shall be entitled to vote at any election of the insurance companies' representatives for such district.

5. Before any election every insurance company entitled to vote per clause 4 shall, by its controlling or public officer, notify to the Minister and to the Secretary of the Council of the Fire Underwriters' Associations of New Zealand the name of its principal officer, representative, or agent in the district concerned authorised to vote on behalf of such company, and the Secretary of the said Council shall inform each of the secretaries of the respective Fire Underwriters' Associations in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin, or so many of them as may be concerned, of the name or names of the person or persons qualified to vote.

6. Nomination-papers for members of the Board shall be in the form annexed, and shall be signed by the candidate and by at least two authorised voters, as per clause 5; and such nomination-paper shall be lodged at the office of the Fire Underwriters' Association having jurisdiction within the said fire district not less than seven days prior to the date of the election, addressed to the secretary of such association; and the secretary of such association for the time being shall be the Returning Officer for the purpose of holding and declaring the result of such election, with power to appoint, in writing, a deputy for that purpose should he be unable to preside thereat, such deputy to be nominated prior to the date of the election and approved by the insurance companies in the district concerned or by a majority of them. No person shall be qualified for election who has not been duly nominated in accordance with the foregoing provisions.

7. Should the number of persons so nominated not exceed the number to be elected these persons shall be deemed to be duly elected, and the Returning Officer, or his deputy, shall transmit, in writing, the names of the persons so elected to the Secretary of the Council of the Fire Underwriters' Associations of New Zealand, who shall thereupon report such election to the Minister, who shall notify the same in the *Government Gazette*.

8. Should the number of persons so nominated exceed the number to be elected, the Returning Officer, or his deputy, by registered letter or circular addressed to each insurance company in the fire district concerned, shall forthwith notify the names of the persons so nominated and call a meeting of the persons qualified to vote on behalf of the said insurance companies, to be held on the day appointed for the election in accordance with clause 3 hereof.

9. The said meeting shall be held at 10 a.m. on the day aforesaid at the office of the Fire Underwriters' Association concerned, when a poll shall be taken. Voting shall be by ballot, and the ballot shall be closed by the Returning Officer, or his deputy, at 1 p.m. on the same day.

The said meeting shall appoint a Chairman, and such Chairman's power of voting shall remain unaffected by his appointment.

The meeting may appoint three scrutineers for the purposes of the poll and the counting of votes.

In the case of an equality of votes at any election the election shall be decided by lot in such manner as the Chairman shall determine.

10. The Returning Officer, or his deputy, shall transmit in writing the result of the election for the said district to the Secretary of the Council of the Fire Underwriters' Associations of New Zealand, who shall thereupon report the result to the Minister, who shall by notice in the *Government Gazette* declare the candidate or candidates so elected to be the representative member or members on the Board for the fire-insurance companies.

11. A list of all insurance companies carrying on business within New Zealand and qualified to vote in the several fire districts shall be published by the Minister in the *Government Gazette* at least once in every year.

Any insurance company carrying on business in the colony and omitted from such list may have its name inserted therein by applying to the Minister.

Such list, with the name of any insurance company so added, shall be taken to be the roll of insurance companies

entitled to vote at the election of insurance companies' representatives on the Fire Boards, and no insurance company whose name does not appear on the said roll shall be qualified to vote at any election.

12. In the case of fire districts outside the four Cities of Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin the election of members shall take place in the one of the above-mentioned cities in which the office of the Fire Underwriters' Association having jurisdiction over such fire district is located.

13. For the elections to be held in the year 1907 each company carrying on business in any fire district shall be entitled to one vote for each member to be elected to the Board of that district, but thereafter each person voting on behalf of any company at any election of any Fire Board shall be entitled to vote in accordance with the following scale:—

If the company on behalf of which he is voting has in accordance with the next following clause returned for the year previous to the election a premium revenue of less than £3,000, one vote for each member to be elected.

If £3,000 but less than £6,000, two votes for each member to be elected.

If £6,000 but less than £9,000, three votes for each member to be elected.

If £9,000 and upwards, four votes for each member to be elected.

14. After the year 1907 every company shall, before the 30th day of April in each year, furnish to the Secretary of the Council of Fire Underwriters' Associations of New Zealand a statement of the amount of its gross revenue, less reinsurances, in each fire district, as per section 13 of the Act. Such information shall be deemed strictly confidential by him, and shall be destroyed after he has notified the various Returning Officers of the several fire districts of the number of votes each company is entitled to. The Returning Officers shall issue at each election voting-papers accordingly to the persons so entitled to vote on behalf of the companies:

Provided that if a company decide not to send in such return, or neglect to do so, such company shall nevertheless be entitled to one vote for each person to be elected for any fire district in which the company is carrying on business.

15. The same person may be elected as a member of two or more different Fire Boards.

16. These rules may be altered from time to time, but only at a meeting of duly authorised representatives of the insurance companies, called together by the Minister as and when he shall think fit. At such a meeting each such representative shall have one vote in respect of each company represented by him. Any amendments of these rules shall be subject to the approval of the Governor in manner provided by section 4 of the Act.

ELECTION TO FIRE BOARDS.

(Regulation 6 of "Conduct of Elections.")

Form of Nomination.

To the Secretary of the Fire Underwriters' Association. Date:

We have pleasure in nominating as a candidate for a seat on the Fire Board.

Signatures of two qualified voters:

I consent to this nomination, and will act if elected. Candidate's signature:

Election of Members of Fire Boards by Insurance Companies.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 25th April, 1907.

PURSUANT to "The Fire Brigades Act, 1906," and the rules made thereunder, it is hereby notified that an election by the insurance companies carrying on business in New Zealand of three members of

- The City of Auckland Fire Board,
- The City of Wellington Fire Board,
- The City of Christchurch Fire Board,
- The City of Dunedin Fire Board,
- The Hawera Fire Board,
- The Oamaru Fire Board,
- The Palmerston North Fire Board, and
- The Feilding Fire Board

will be held on Monday, the 20th day of May, 1907, in the manner prescribed by the said Act and rules made thereunder.

JAMES MCGOWAN,
For Colonial Secretary.

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

The Treasury, Wellington, 20th April, 1907.

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

W. HALL-JONES,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

HUTT COUNTY COUNCIL.

DAY'S BAY—LOWRY BAY ROAD.

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 Hutt County Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing interest and other charges on a loan of £1,500, authorised to be raised by the Hutt County Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the purpose of widening and construction of that portion of the Day's Bay—Lowry Bay Road situate in the County of Hutt between the southern boundary of the Borough of Lower Hutt and the northern boundary of the Borough of Eastbourne, the said Hutt County Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 3d. in the pound upon the capital rateable value of all rateable property of the No. 6 Special-rating District, comprising Sections 33, 34, 32, 30, 29, 27, 25, 23, 21, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, and 31, Block 16, Belmont Survey District; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable yearly on the first day of June in each and every year during the currency of such loan, and being a period of twenty-six years, or until the loan is fully paid off.

The above resolution was passed at a special meeting of the Hutt County Council duly convened for and held at the offices of the Council at 2 o'clock p.m. on Friday, the 22nd March, 1907, and was confirmed as a special order at a meeting of the said Council duly convened for and held at the offices of the Council at 2 o'clock p.m. on Friday, the 19th April, 1907; and the common seal of the Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Hutt was hereto affixed, this 19th day of April, 1907, in the presence of—

JOHN WAKEHAM,
Councillor.
M. J. LYNCH,
Councillor.

Special Order made by the Council of the Borough of Maori Hill.

The Treasury, Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

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

W. HALL-JONES,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

MAORI HILL BOROUGH COUNCIL.

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 Maori Hill Borough Council hereby resolves as follows: That, for the purpose of providing the interest and other charges on a loan of £500, authorised to be raised by the Maori Hill Borough Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the formation and improvement of the District Road, the said Maori Hill Borough Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of 1½d. in the pound upon the rateable value of all rateable property of the Special Loan District, comprising part of Section 8, Block II, Upper Kaitorai District; Allotments 41 to 47 (inclusive) and 86 to 89 (inclusive), Balmacewen Estate; part of Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block II, Upper Kaitorai District; Allotments 18 to 24 (inclusive), Township of Cannington; Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7, Block VIII, Upper Kaitorai District; and part of Block XI, Dunedin and East Taieri District, which lands are shown by a green colour, and which road is shown by a red colour, on a plan described as "Plan of Special Loan District, Borough of Maori Hill," prepared by Nathaniel Paterson, licensed surveyor, Dunedin; 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 May and the 1st day of November in each and every year

during the currency of such loan, being a period of forty-one years, or until the loan is fully paid off.

The foregoing resolution was passed at a special meeting of the Maori Hill Borough Council held on the 21st day of March, 1907, and was confirmed at an ordinary meeting of the said Council held on the 18th day of April, 1907.

S. N. BROWN,
Mayor.

Special Order made by the Council of the City of Christchurch.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

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

W. HALL-JONES,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL.

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 Christchurch City Council 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 Christchurch City Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the purpose of providing public baths and all such buildings, appliances, and conveniences as are necessary to enable the inhabitants of the City of Christchurch to use and enjoy such baths, the said Christchurch City Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the pound upon the rateable valuation of all rateable property comprised within the said City of Christchurch, the boundaries of which said city are set out in the Supplement of the *New Zealand Gazette* dated the 1st day of April, 1903, page 884; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable yearly on the 1st day of July in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of twenty-five years, or until the loan is fully paid off.

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed at a special meeting of the Christchurch City Council held on the 18th day of March, 1907, and duly confirmed at a subsequent meeting of the said Council held on the 22nd day of April, 1907.

In witness whereof the common seal of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Christchurch was hereunto affixed, this 23rd day of April, 1907.

GEORGE PAYLING,
Deputy Mayor.
HY. R. SMITH,
Town Clerk.

Special Order made by the Paparoa Road Board.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

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

W. HALL-JONES,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

PAPAROA ROAD BOARD.

Special Order.

At a meeting of the Paparoa Road Board held on the 8th January, 1907, it was resolved to adopt subsection (1) of section 5 of "The Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1902," to enable the Board to pay interest and sinking fund on their inscribed debt under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886" (inscribed the 1st February, 1887), out of the Board's general fund.

I hereby certify that the above special order has been duly made.

JOHN NICHOLAS,
Clerk, Paparoa Road Board.

4th February, 1907.

Tenders.

Public Works Office,
Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF FENCING-TIMBER FOR "THE CAMP" MENTAL HOSPITAL, DUNEDIN.

		Accepted.	£	s.	d.
National Mortgage and Agency Company, Dun-	edin	.. .. .	723	4	6
<i>Declined.</i>					
McPherson, A. and D., Dunedin	.. .. .	.. .. .	784	19	10
Hogg and Co. (Limited), Dunedin	.. .. .	.. .. .	832	8	5
Murdoch, John, and Co., Dunedin	.. .. .	.. .. .	890	17	6

ERECTION OF COURTHOUSE, KAITANGATA.

		Accepted.	£	s.	d.
Wilson, Robert, Mornington	503	18	6
<i>Declined.</i>					
McLean, Robert, Owaka	510	0	0
Middlemass, George, Kaitangata	551	7	9
Drummev, J., Arrowtown	644	8	8

Tenders.

Public Works Department,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister for Public Works.

ERECTION OF POST-OFFICE, WAIPU.

		Accepted.	£	s.	d.
Mackay, A. M., Waipu	735	0	0
<i>Declined.</i>					
Whiting, G., Ponsonby	737	3	11
Morris, E., Auckland	774	0	0
Mathieson, J. G., Auckland	819	0	0
Hay, R., Auckland	889	0	0
Aldock, G. B., Auckland	908	0	0

Notice to Mariners No. 24 of 1907.

THREE KINGS ISLANDS.—NON-EXISTENCE OF CHARTED ISLETS, ETC.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 18th April, 1907.

CAPTAIN BOLLONS, of the Government steamer "Hinemoa," reports that the undermentioned islands shown on the Admiralty Chart No. 1512 do not exist:—

1. The island north of Princes Islets: The "Hinemoa" steamed over the charted position of this island, and there is nothing north of the line of S. 60° W. between the West King (600 ft. island) and the continuous line of small (Princes) islets.

2. The island shown next north-east of West Island (350 ft.): There is a passage a quarter of a mile wide between West Island and the first Princes Islet.

3. The islet and rocks on north side of Tasman Bay: The north point of this bay is a high bluff, with nothing off it, nor is there any outlier between Tasman and S.E. bays. The bottom between the different islands, and for a distance of a mile outside of them, is composed of rock, small coral, and small patches of coral sand. There is a smooth-water anchorage in strong N.E. weather on the S.W. side of the Great Island in from 25 to 28 fathoms. It is necessary to have a stout buoy-rope, as the bottom is very foul.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty Chart No. 1512; "New Zealand Pilot," seventh edition, 1901, chap. ii, page 44.

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Notice to Mariners No. 25 of 1907.

PROVISION DEPOT ON THE THREE KINGS GREAT ISLAND.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 18th April, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that a provision depot has been established on the Three Kings Great Island. It is situated on the narrow neck of the Great Island, and at the head of N.W. and S.E. bays. The house is painted white, and is plainly visible from the latter bay. A finger-post is erected on the ridge overlooking the two bays, and is visible from the anchorage in each bay. A notice is nailed up inside the house giving instructions where to find water, and also how to attract the attention of the lightkeepers at Cape Maria—viz., by making a fire on the hill to the west of the house—and that the lighthouse-keepers will be instructed to keep a constant lookout in that direction. Finger-posts will be erected when the vessel calls again at the group should the sea be smooth enough to permit landing at the other islands.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty Chart No. 1512: "New Zealand Pilot," seventh edition, 1901, Chap. ii, page 44.

J. A. MILLAR.

Notice to Mariners No. 26 of 1907.

ERROR IN RELATIVE POSITION OF COAST-LINE BETWEEN NAPIER AND CAPE KIDNAPPERS.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 18th April, 1907.

CAPTAIN McDONALD, of the s.s. "Waikare," reports that from careful bearings taken from a position N.W. of Napier Breakwater the correct magnetic bearing from eastern side of breakwater to outer rock on Cape Kidnappers is S. 51 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° E., and that the correct magnetic bearing by latest Admiralty chart allowing for the increased variation is S. 55 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° E., a difference of 4°. Masters are therefore cautioned that when making Napier from Cape Kidnappers in thick weather it will be advisable to steer an outside course to the extent of 4°.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2528; "New Zealand Pilot," seventh edition, 1901, Chap. iv, page 160.

J. A. MILLAR.

Notice to Mariners No. 27 of 1907.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 19th April, 1907.

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

J. A. MILLAR.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

OAHU.—HONOLULU HARBOUR ENTRANCE.—TEMPORARY BUOYS DISCONTINUED.—BUOY ESTABLISHED.—Referring to Notice to Mariners No. 50 (2287) of 1906, further notice is given that on 20th December, 1906, the temporary buoys marking the channel into Honolulu Harbour, with the exception of buoys Nos. 1 and 2, which are now permanent, were discontinued.

On the same date Honolulu Channel buoy No. 10, a second-class nun, was established on the eastern edge of the channel, about 970 ft. S. 6° 15' W. true (S. $\frac{3}{4}$ E. mag.) from Honolulu Range front light, to mark the turning-point for vessels going to Channel Wharf.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 1216, 1368, 867, and 1381. H.O. Publication No. 115, the Hawaiian Islands, &c., 1903, page 117. Pacific Islands, Vol. iii, 1900, page 229.

CALIFORNIA.

HUMBOLDT BAY.—INDIAN ISLAND SPIT LIGHT RE-ESTABLISHED.—Indian Island Spit light, a 4-pile beacon covered with slats, supporting a fixed white lens-lantern light, located on the southern end of the spit making off from the southwestern end of the Indian Island, Humboldt Bay, California, which was destroyed 3rd January, was rebuilt and the light re-established 22nd January, 1907. This light should be placed on all charts affected.

Approx. position: Lat. 40° 48' 10" N., long. 124° 10' 54" W.
Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 5800 and 5892. United States Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, No. 66, page 22. United States Coast Pilot, Pacific Coast, 1903, pages 20 and 100.

WASHINGTON.

COLUMBIA RIVER ENTRANCE.—NORTH HEAD.—WIRELESS TELEGRAPH-STATION ESTABLISHED.—Information has been received that a U.S. naval wireless telegraph-station was opened for service at North Head, Columbia River entrance, on 30th January, 1907. Call-letters, SX.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—No. 527.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 8, 5052, 6100, and 6140. United States Coast Pilot, Pacific Coast, 1903, page 111.

JUAN DE FUCA STRAIT.—NEW DUNGENESS LIGHT-STATION.—INTENDED CHANGE IN FOG-SIGNAL.—About 1st March, 1907, the 12 in. steam fog-signal at new Dungeness Light-station, located on the outer end of New Dungeness Sand-spit, southern shore of Juan de Fuca Strait, will be replaced by a first-class automatic siren, operated by compressed air. The characteristic of the signal will remain unchanged.

The new fog-signal will be established in a white, one-story, frame building with a brown roof, located on the northern edge of Dungeness Spit about 250 ft. north-eastward from the light-tower and about 250 ft. westward from the present fog-signal building.

Approx. position: Lat. 48° 10' 55" N., long. 123° 06' 31" W.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 527 and 903.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 8, 7000, 6400, and 6450. U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, No. 195, page 44. United States Coast Pilot, Pacific Coast, 1903, pages 24 and 132. H.O. Publication No. 96, the Coast of British Columbia, 1891, pages 19 and 425.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VANCOUVER ISLAND.—WEST COAST.—QUATSINO SOUND.—ENTRANCE ISLAND.—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.—The Canadian Government has given notice that an unwatched, seventh-order, dioptric, fixed white light has been established on the south-eastern end of Entrance Island, Quatsino Sound, west coast of Vancouver Island, as a guide to vessels entering the sound.

The light is exhibited 90 ft. above high water from the top of a small, enclosed, wooden tower, built on an open-frame platform, the whole painted white. It is visible 15 miles to the southward.

Approx. position: Lat. 50° 26' 31" N., long. 128° 02' 15" W.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 527, 903, 1452, and 1414.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 8 and 7000. H.O. Light List, Vol. i, No. 760a. U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, page 64. H.O. Publication No. 96, the Coast of British Columbia, 1891, page 293.

VANCOUVER ISLAND.—SOUTH-WEST COAST.—HALIBUT CHANNEL.—LOOKOUT ISLAND.—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.—Referring to Notice to Mariners No. 45 (1986) of 1906, the Canadian Government has given further notice that an unwatched, seventh-order, dioptric, fixed white light has been established on the eastern end of Lookout Island, Halibut Channel, south-west coast of Vancouver Island, as a guide to vessels entering Kyuquot Harbour by Halibut Channel.

The light is exhibited 45 ft. above high water from the top of a small, enclosed, wooden tower, built on an open-frame platform, the whole painted white. It is visible 12 miles to the southward and eastward.

Approx. position: Lat. 49° 59' 45" N., long. 127° 27' 25" W.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 527, 903, 1451, 1439, and 1427.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 8 and 7000. H.O. Light List, Vol. i, No. 760a. U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, page 64. H.O. Publication No. 96, the Coast of British Columbia, 1891, page 285.

STRAIT OF GEORGIA.—MALASPINA STRAIT.—RAGGED ISLANDS.—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.—The Canadian Government has given notice that an unwatched, seventh-order, dioptric, fixed white light has been established on the eastern end of the southern Ragged Island, off the mainland shore of the Strait of Georgia.

The light is exhibited 40 ft. above high water from the top of a small, enclosed, wooden tower, built on an open-frame platform, the whole painted white. It is visible 11 miles over an arc of 249° from S. 3° 30' E. true (S.S.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. e'ly mag.) to N. 65° 30' E. true (N.E. $\frac{3}{4}$ N. n'ly mag.).

Approx. position: Lat. 49° 59' 45" N., long. 124° 48' 40" W.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 527, 903, 1454, and 1455.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 8 and 7000. H.O. Light List, Vol. i, No. 775. U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, page 72. H.O. Publication No. 96, the Coast of British Columbia, 1891, page 175.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE SOUND.—NEW CHANNEL.—CHRISTIE PASSAGE.—BALAKLAVA ISLAND.—SCARLETT POINT.—CHANGE IN CHARACTER OF LIGHT.—The Canadian Government has given notice that on 1st February, 1907, the fixed red light exhibited on Scarlett Point, Balaklava Island, will be replaced by a seventh-order, dioptric, fixed white light with

one red sector. The red sector will cover Noble Islets. The light should be visible 15 miles from all points of approach by water.

Approx. position: Lat. 50° 51' 50" N., long. 127° 37' 30" W.
Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 527, 903, 1452, 1442, and 2236.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. S and 7000. H.O. Light List, Vol. i, No. 775a. U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, No. 48, page 72. H.O. Publication No. 96, the Coast of British Columbia, 1891, page 233.

CHATHAM SOUND.—PRINCE RUPERT HARBOUR (TUCK INLET).—BUOYS ESTABLISHED.—The Canadian Government has given notice that a red spar buoy has been moored in 7 fathoms of water 200 yards S. 75° 40' W. true (S.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W. w'ly mag.) from Casey Point, the western extreme of Kaien Island, Prince Rupert Harbour, Chatham Sound.

Also that a red spar buoy has been moored in 4 fathoms of water 266 yards S. 78° 40' W. true (S.W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W. w'ly mag.) from the flagstaff at Camp Fairview.

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 527, 904, 1583, and 1764.

Coast Survey Charts.—Nos. 7000 and 8000. H.O. Publication No. 96, the Coast of British Columbia, 1891, page 343.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY ENTRANCE.—SAN FRANCISCO LIGHT-VESSEL NO. 70 REPLACED ON STATION.—RELIEF LIGHT-VESSEL WITHDRAWN.—Referring to Notices to Mariners Nos. 50 (2269) and 51 (2313) of 1906, further notice is given that on 11th February, 1907, San Francisco light-vessel No. 70 was replaced on her station about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles outside the bar, off the entrance to San Francisco Harbour, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. 72° 20' W. true (S.W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W. mag.) from Fort Point Lighthouse, and about 500 ft. northward of the range-line marked by Fort Point light and Alcatraz lights, and relief light-vessel No. 76 was withdrawn.

No change has been made in light-vessel No. 70 as to the characteristics of her lights, fog-signal, or general appearance.

U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, No. 26, page 14. United States Coast Pilot, Pacific Coast, 1903, pages 18 and 64.

CAPE MENDOCINO.—BLUNTS REEF LIGHT-VESSEL NO. 83 WITHDRAWN FROM STATION.—RELIEF LIGHT-VESSEL.—About 20th March, 1907, Blunts Reef light-vessel No. 83, located 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. 61° 20' W. true (S.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. mag.) from Blunts Reef, off the sea-coast of California, and 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. 85° W. true (S.W. by W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W. w'ly mag.) from Cape Mendocino Lighthouse, will be withdrawn from her station for repairs, and the station will be marked by relief light-vessel No. 76.

Relief light-vessel No. 76 shows, like light-vessel No. 83, 2 fixed white lens-lantern lights, each from three lanterns encircling the masthead, but these are 46 ft. above the water, and visible about 12 miles.

During thick or foggy weather light-vessel No. 76 will sound a 12 in. steam-whistle with the same characteristic as that sounded from light-vessel No. 83—viz., blasts of 2 seconds' duration, separated by silent intervals of 23 seconds.

Relief light-vessel No. 76 is a flush-deck steam-vessel, has two masts, schooner rigged, no bowsprit, a black smokestack and a steam-whistle between the masts; but differs from light-vessel No. 83 in having all visible parts from the bow to the middle of the foremast, and from the middle of the mainmast aft, painted red; all visible parts between the fore and main masts, including the middle third of each lantern-mast, white. The day-marks at the mast-heads have five vertical stripes, three red and two white, and on the spring-stay, midway between the two masts, there is an oval day-mark with one white and two red vertical stripes. The number "76" is in white on each bow and each quarter, and in black on each side of the spring-stay day-mark. The word "Relief" is painted, in large black letters, on the middle of each side.

Light-vessel No. 83 will be returned to her station as soon as repairs have been completed, of which due notice will be given, and relief light-vessel No. 76 will then be withdrawn.

No change will be made in light-vessel No. 83 as to the characteristics of her lights, fog-signal, or general appearance.

U.S. Lighthouse Board List of Lights on the Pacific Coast, 1906, No. 58. United States Coast Pilot, Pacific Coast, 1903, pages 18 and 95.

CEYLON.

COLOMBO HARBOUR.—NORTHERN ENTRANCE.—LIGHTS EXHIBITED.—Through the courtesy of the Honourable Secretary of State, information dated 16th January, 1907, has been received from Mr. E. L. Morey, American Vice and Deputy Consul at Colombo, Ceylon, that on 1st January, 1907, the following lights were exhibited to mark the northern entrance to Colombo Harbour:—

A fifth-order fixed red light, elevated 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft. above high water and visible 9 miles, was exhibited from a stone-

coloured tower, 37 ft. high, erected on the northern end of the north-western breakwater.

A fifth-order fixed green and red light, elevated 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft. above high water and visible 8 miles, was exhibited from a stone-coloured tower, 33 ft. high, erected on the western end of the north-eastern breakwater.

This light shows fixed green over an arc of 180° from north true (north-e'ly mag.) through east to south true (south-w'ly mag.), and fixed red over an arc of 180° from north true (north-e'ly mag.) through west to south true (south-w'ly mag.).

Hydrographic Office Charts.—Nos. 854B and 1591.

British Admiralty Charts issued to U.S. Vessels.—Nos. 813 and 914. H.O. Light List, Vol. ii, Nos. 792a and 792a. West Coast of Hindustan Pilot, 1898, page 95. Bay of Bengal Pilot, 1901, page 73.

SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

NAURU OR PLEASANT ISLAND.—MOLE BUILDING.—BUOYS ESTABLISHED.—The German Government has given notice that the commander of the German man-of-war "Condor" reports, under date of 20th October, 1906, that a large black barrel buoy has been moored for the calling-steamers off the west coast of Pleasant Island, South Pacific Ocean, on the following bearings:—

North-west point of island, N. 49° 30' E. true (N.E. $\frac{3}{4}$ N. mag.).

Western point of island, S. 18° 30' E. true (S.S.E. $\frac{3}{4}$ E. mag.).

A large wooden mole, the root of which bears S. 77° 17' E. true (E. $\frac{3}{4}$ S. mag.) from the mooring-buoy, and which extends in a S. 67° 26' E. true (E.S.E. $\frac{3}{4}$ E. mag.) direction across the reef, is under construction. This wooden mole will later be replaced by an iron one.

A small black barrel buoy has been moored for vessels southward of the mole-head and near the reef.

Approx. position: Lat. 0° 32' 54" S., long. 166° 55' 00" E.
Hydrographic Office Charts.—No. 2179. Pacific Islands, Vol. ii, 1900, page 271.

Notice to Mariners No. 28 of 1907.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 19th April, 1907.

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

J. A. MILLAR.

CHART COMPASSES.—ERROR IN VARIATION.

COMPASS VARIATION.—Observs. obtained during recent years show that the secular change in the variation of the compass is in some cases greatly different from what was anticipated. The results have been embodied in the variation chart for the Epoch 1907, and this chart should be consulted on all occasions before deciding on the variation to be allowed in shaping course, &c. The compasses on the charts may be in some cases as much as 2° in error. Nov. 1906.

GENERAL NOTICES.

CAUTION WHEN APPROACHING BRITISH PORTS.—Circumstances may arise in which it might be necessary on account of periodical exercises, manœuvres, or otherwise, to forbid all entr. to the naval ports at night. This is to give notice that on approaching the shores of Great Britain, or any British dependency, if search-lts. are obser. to be in constant operation the naval harb. should be approached with great caution, as it may be apprehended that obstructions may exist outside the port or that the entr. may be altogether closed, and the exam. service may be in force. In the event of relations becoming strained between this country and any naval power an exam. service will come into force at all the ports in the U.K. and H.M. possessions abroad mentioned at the end of this notice. Masters are warned that before attempting to enter any of these ports they must in their own interests strictly obey all instructions given to them by the vessels which will be charged with the duty of exam. ships desiring to enter the ports, and allotting positions in which the ships shall anchor. In case of fog they should on no account attempt to enter before receiving permission from the exam. officer. The institution of an exam. service at any port will never be publicly advertised, but at all times when the relations of Great Britain with foreign Powers are known to be in a state of tension especial care should be taken in approaching the ports by day or by night, to keep a sharp lookout for the exam. steamer, and to be ready to "bring to" at once when hailed by her or warned by her firing a gun. If an entr. to a port is closed three red lts. vert. by night or three red balls by day will be exh. in some conspicuous position in or near to its approach, and as far as possible notice of this fact will be given by lookout vessels in the offing. If the

exam. service is in force the exam. steamer will be disting. at night—(a) when the port is closed, by three red lts. vert.; (b) when the port is open, by three white lts. vert. The pilots attached to the ports will be acquainted with the regulations to be followed.

Ports or Localities referred to.

Port.	Approximate Position.	Port.	Approximate Position.
<i>United Kingdom.</i>		<i>China Sea.</i>	
Berehaven ...	51 39 N., 9 50 W.	Hongkong ...	22 15 N., 114 10 E.
Clyde... ..	55 57 N., 4 45 W.	Singapore ...	1 18 N., 108 51 E.
Dover	51 6 N., 1 19 E.	<i>Africa.</i>	
Falmouth ...	50 8 N., 5 0 W.	Cape Town ...	33 55 S., 18 25 E.
Harwich	51 56 N., 1 19 E.	Durban	29 53 S., 31 5 E.
Hull	53 40 N., 0 20 W.	Sierra Leone ...	8 30 N., 13 10 W.
Mersey	53 25 N., 3 5 W.	Simons Bay ...	34 10 S., 18 25 E.
Milford Haven	51 40 N., 5 10 W.	<i>Australia.</i>	
Newhaven ...	50 47 N., 0 3 E.	Adelaide	34 50 S., 138 30 E.
Plymouth ...	50 20 N., 4 10 W.	Albany	35 0 S., 177 55 E.
Portland	50 35 N., 2 25 W.	Brisbane	27 20 S., 153 10 E.
Portsmouth ...	50 45 N., 1 5 W.	Fremantle	32 0 S., 115 45 E.
Queenstown ...	51 50 N., 8 15 W.	Melbourne	37 50 S., 145 0 E.
Shaerness ...	51 25 N., 0 45 E.	Newcastle	32 55 S., 151 45 E.
River Tees ...	54 35 N., 1 10 W.	Sydney	33 50 S., 151 10 E.
River Thames	51 25 N., 1 25 E.	Thursday Isl....	10 35 S., 142 15 E.
River Tyne ...	55 0 N., 1 25 W.	Townsville	19 15 S., 146 50 E.
Alderney	49 45 N., 2 10 W.	Wollongong	34 25 S., 150 55 E.
Guernsey	49 30 N., 2 30 W.	<i>Tasmania.</i>	
Jersey	49 15 N., 2 10 W.	Hobart	42 55 S., 147 20 E.
<i>Canada.</i>		<i>New Zealand.</i>	
Esquimalt ...	48 25 N., 123 25 W.	Auckland	36 50 S., 174 45 E.
Halifax	44 30 N., 63 35 W.	Otago... ..	45 50 S., 170 40 E.
Quebec	46 50 N., 71 10 W.	Port Lyttelton ...	43 35 S., 172 45 E.
<i>Mediterranean.</i>		Wellington	41 15 S., 174 45 E.
Gibraltar ...	36 6 N., 5 21 W.	<i>West Indies.</i>	
Malta... ..	35 54 N., 14 31 E.	Bermuda	32 20 N., 64 50 W.
<i>Indian Ocean.</i>		Kingston, Ja- maica	18 0 N., 76 50 W.
Aden	12 45 N., 45 0 E.	Feb., 1907.*	
Bombay	18 53 N., 72 50 E.		
Calcutta	22 30 N., 88 20 E.		
Colombo	6 55 N., 79 50 E.		
Karachi	24 50 N., 66 50 E.		
Madras	13 5 N., 80 15 E.		
Mauritius ...	20 5 S., 57 35 E.		
Rangoon	17 10 N., 96 45 E.		

AFRICA.

PORT NATAL APPROACH.—The following beacons are est. in the approach to Durban on the sites of the prev. lt.-hs. which were used as clearing-marks for the Aliwal Shoal: (a.) Umpambinyoni beacon, a mast 69 ft. high surm. by a disc, the upper half red and the lower half white, elev. 159 ft. above H.W., 2 3/4 miles S. 55° W. from Green Pt. beacon (30° 15' S., 30° 47' E.). (b.) Amahlongwana beacon, a mast 69 ft. high surm. by a white triangle, elev. 170 ft. above H.W., 1 1/2 miles N. 48° E. from Green Pt. beacon. Feb.

East Coast.

CAPE ST. LUCIA.—On 15th Dec., 1906, a F. white lt., vis. from N. 52° E., through N. and W., to S. 52° W. and obs. in other directions, elev. 383 ft. above H.W., R. 15 miles, was to be exh. from a lt.-h., black and white hor., 25 ft. high, in 28° 31' S., 32° 24' E., about 1 1/2 miles nrd. of the cape. Jan.

DELAGOA BAY.—The deepest water across the bar of English River, Lorenzo Marques approach, now named Polana Chan., is buoyed as follows: The outer end is marked by a spher. buoy, surm. by a pyra. frame and ball, black and white hor., 3 1/4 miles N. 86° E. from Reuben Pt. Lt.-h. (25° 58' S., 32° 36' E.). Between this buoy (which can be passed on either side) and the lt.-buoy off Reuben Pt., Polana Chan. is marked by 4 buoys placed at about equal dists. apart, those on the N. side of the chan. being conical, red, surm. by a triangle, and those on the srn. side, cyl., black, surm. by a rectangle. There is in this chan. about 2 ft. more water over the bar than in other places. Feb.

From 1st Jan., 1907, the following port regulations were to come into force at Lorenzo Marques (25° 58' S., 32° 35' E.): (a.) The Health Officer will visit mail or passenger steam-vessels at any hour of the day or night, and other ships up to 10 p.m. (b.) Vessels desiring pratique must hoist a green lt. when passing Cape Inyack by night, and also before arriving opposite Reuben Pt. Lt.-h. (c.) Vessels are allowed to make fast alongside the wharf until 11 p.m. Agents who desire that vessels may come alongside after that hour must give notice to the Secretary of the Port Commission before 7 p.m. Feb.

GULF OF SUBZ.—On 1st Feb., 1907, the colour of Newport Rk. lt., rev. (29° 53' N., 32° 33' E.), is to be altered from white to red. Feb.

INDIAN OCEAN.

CHEDEBA STRAIT.—On 15th Dec., 1906, a volcanic eruption in the form of a isl. about 300 yds. in diam. and 15 ft. high above H.W. had appeared in approx. 19° 03' N., 93° 24' E., in the nrn. approach to the strait. Feb.

CHINA SEA.

CANTON RIVER.—A F. red lt., elev. 33 ft. above H.W., R. 10 miles, is exh. from a red brick lt.-h. surm. by a pedestal lantern, 36 ft. high, in 22° 47 1/2' N., 113° 37 1/2' E., on Chain Rk., Bocca Tigris. Feb.*

S. CHAN.—About 1st Feb., 1907, the following alterations are to be made in the lts. and buoys in the entr. to the river: (a.) A red lt.-buoy is to be est. in 30 ft. at L.W. springs, 11 cables S. 41° W. from quarantine beacon (31° 26 1/2' N., 121° 31 1/2' E.). (b.) A red conical buoy is to be est. in 30 ft. at L.W. springs, 1 1/2 miles S. 16° E. from quarantine beacon. The above buoys (a and b) mark both the limit of the quarantine anchorage and also the nrn. side of the chan. (c.) The 2 white buoys at present 9 1/2 cables S. 56° W. and 17 cables S. 1° E. respectively from quarantine beacon are to be withdrawn. Feb.

In consequence of the changes which have taken place in the S. chan., the following lt.-vs. were to be moved: (a.) Tungsha lt.-v. moved 6 cables S. 42° W. to approx. 31° 8 1/2' N., 121° 59 1/2' E., to mark the N. side of the chan. (b.) Kiu toan lt.-v. moved 4 1/2 cables N. 44° E. to approx. 31° 13 1/2' N., 121° 48 1/2' E., to mark the N. (not S.) side of the chan. Note: Vessels entering the Yang tse Kiang by the S. chan. should pass ar. of both these lt.-vs. Jan.

AUSTRALIA.

INNER ROUTE TO TORRES STRAIT.—TRINITY BAY.—The undermentioned reefs in the bay are in the following positions, and not in those shown on the charts: (1.) Alexandra Reef, about 1 mile in extent N.-wly. and S.-ely., and 1/2 mile broad, dry at L.W., with 5 to 7 fms. around, 3 1/2 miles N. 4° W. from Yule Pt. (16° 34 1/2' S., 145° 31 1/2' E.), or about 1/2 mile N.-wrd. of its prev. accepted position. (2.) Wentworth Reef, awash at L.W., 3 1/2 miles N. 11° E. from Yule Pt., or about 1/2 mile S.-wrd. of its prev. accepted position; it is detached from Alexandra Reef, there being a depth of 7 fms. between them. (3.) Egmont Reef is 2 1/2 miles N. 38° E. from Yule Pt., or about 1/2 mile S.-wrd. from its prev. accepted position. (4.) Egmont 5-fm. patch, shown on the chart 5 miles N. 33° E. from Yule Pt., does not exist. (5.) The buoy (black can) marking Alexandra Reef is 4 3/5 miles N. 19° E. from Yule Pt., or about 1/2 mile N.-erd. of its reported position. Feb.

PACIFIC OCEAN.

New Guinea.

ARU ISLS.—DOBBO HARB. APPROACH.—A reef, sand and stones, carrying 4 fms., exists in approx. 5° 31 1/2' S., 134° 17 1/2' E., in Wasir Strait, with the S. pt. of Wasir S. 64° W., 2 1/2 miles, and the N.-ern. pt. of the same isl. N. 26° W. Discoloured water extends S.-wly. from the shoals, and the soundings in the srn. part of the strait are irregular. Vessels are therefore recommended to avoid passing between Ujir and Wasir Isls. Feb.

Solomon Islands.

GOWER ISL.—The position of this isl. is reported to be 2' 35" to the srd. and 6' 10" to the erd. of the position at present shown on the chart. As this isl. has not yet been properly fixed or exam., it has been moved on the chart, in its present shape, to the S.-erd., to a position which places the N. pt. of the isl. in 7° 49' S., 160° 36' E. Feb.

EFATE ISL.—FILA HARB.—The leading-lights into the harb. have been altered as follows: (a.) The front lt. is F. red, elev. 132 ft. above H.W., R. 6 miles, in 17° 44 1/2' S., 168° 19' E., 2 1/2 cables S. 62° W. from the conspicuous tree on the summit of the hill, 386 ft. high. (b.) The rear lt. is F. white, elev. 295 ft. above H.W., R. 9 miles, 2 1/2 cables N. 68° E. from the front lt. The lts. in line N. 68° E. lead through the harb. entr. Feb.

NORTH AMERICA.

West Coast.

A black lt.-buoy, exh. a quick-occ. white lt., is to replace the spar buoy, red and black hor., marking Kestrel Rk. Feb.

F. white leading-lts. (U) are to be exh. from red beacons, cyl. tanks on frames, surm. by pyra. frames supporting the lanterns, 23 ft. high: The front lt., elev. 65 ft., R. 13 miles, in 54° 13' N., 130° 20 1/2' W., on Coast Isl. summit; and rear lt., elev. 102 ft., R. 15 miles, on Ridley Isl., in front of the triangular white day-beacon, 4,415 ft. N. 75° E. from the front lt. The old beacons will remain as day-marks. Feb.

The following dangers exist in the sound: (1.) A rk., named Ellinor, carrying 1 ft. at L.W. springs, and steep-to,

in approx. 54° 12½' N., 130° 22½' W., with Coast Isl. beacon N. 48° E., 1½ miles, and Lima Pt. N. 25° W., marked by a red spar buoy moored about 100 ft. srd. of the rk. (2.) A danger, named Barrett Ledge, dries 2 ft. at L.W. springs, 1 mile N. 12° E. from Lima Pt., marked by a black spar buoy moored about 270 yds. N. 60° E. from the rk. (3.) A rk., named Bird, dries 4 ft. 1½ miles N. 38° E. from Lima Islet, marked by a red spar buoy moored about 30 ft. srd. of the rk. A black lt.-buoy, exh. a quick-occ. white lt., is to replace the black spar buoy marking the E. end of Barrett Ledge, and a red lt.-buoy, exh. a quick-occ. lt., is to replace the red spar buoy close off Bird Rk. Feb.

Notice to Mariners No. 29 of 1907.

UNCHARTED ROCKS IN HAURAKI GULF OFF KAWAU ISLAND AND LITTLE BARRIER ISLAND.

Marine Department,

Wellington, N.Z., 19th April, 1907.

CAPTAIN BOLLONS, of the Government steamer "Hinemoa," reports the existence of the undermentioned uncharted rocks in the Hauraki Gulf:—

1. A sunken rock, with 10 ft. of water over it at L.W.O.S., lies 2 cables S. 37° W. of Flat Rock, off Kawau Island.

2. A rock, which dries 3 ft. at L.W.S., lies 1·8 cables off shore on the eastern side of Little Barrier Island, the S.E. point of the island bearing south, and Pohutukawa Flat N. 15° W., 1½ miles distant.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2543; "New Zealand Pilot," seventh edition, 1901, Chap. ii, pages 47 and 102.

J. A. MILLAR.

Notice to Mariners No. 30 of 1907.

Marine Department,

Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received by cable from the Marine Department, Port Adelaide, South Australia, is published for general information:—

"The sunken vessels in the semaphore anchorage are marked by a launch carrying Board of Trade wreck-signals. Wonga Shoal light is one mile and three-quarters east half north. The Jetty light is east by south approximately."

J. A. MILLAR.

Varied Notice (No. 2) fixing Closing-hours of Shops in the Borough of Eltham.

WHEREAS by notice dated the 13th day of February, 1906, and gazetted on the 15th day of February, 1906, the Minister of Labour, in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred upon him by section 21 of "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904," and section 5 of "The Shops and Offices Act Amendment Act, 1905," and acting in accordance with a requisition duly made and certified as required by those sections, did direct that from and after the 26th day of February, 1906, all shops in the Borough of Eltham, except in certain trades specified in the *Gazette* notice, should be closed upon all working-days, except Saturday and Thursday, at 5.30 o'clock p.m. from the 1st May to 30th September, and at 6 o'clock p.m. from 1st October to 30th April; on Saturdays at 9 o'clock p.m. from the 1st May to 30th September, and at 9.30 p.m. from 1st October to 30th April; and on Thursdays at 1 o'clock p.m.; except on the night of the day preceding Christmas Day and New Year's Day, or when Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on Monday, then till 11 o'clock at night on the Saturday preceding those days: And whereas by a like requisition, duly made and certified as aforesaid, he has been requested to vary the said notice by fixing the hours for closing for pork-butchers and small-goodsmen as follows: On Thursdays (the statutory half-holiday), at 1 p.m.; on Saturdays, at 11 p.m.; and on all other working-days, at 10.30 p.m.:

Now, therefore, in compliance with the last-mentioned requisition, and in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 21 of "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904," and section 5 of "The Shops and Offices Act Amendment Act, 1905," I do hereby vary the said notice by directing that on and after the 1st day of May, 1907, all pork-butchers' and small-goods' shops in the Borough of Eltham shall be closed in accordance with the latter requisition.

Dated at Wellington, this 19th day of April, 1907.

J. A. MILLAR,
Minister of Labour.

Varied Notice (No. 2) fixing Closing-hours of Shops in the Inangahua County.

WHEREAS by notice dated the 18th day of December, 1906, and gazetted on the 20th day of December, 1906, the Minister of Labour, in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred upon him by section 21 of "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904," and section 5 of "The Shops and Offices Act Amendment Act, 1905," and acting in accordance with a requisition duly made and certified by those sections, did direct that from and after the 1st day of January, 1907, all shops in the Inangahua County should be closed at 6 p.m. on four days in the week—viz., Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; the hours for book-sellers and stationers to be 8 p.m. on those days; that all shops should be closed at 10 p.m. on Saturdays, except one Saturday in each month (locally known as pay-Saturday), when the closing-hour should be 11 p.m., and at 1 o'clock on Wednesdays, the weekly half-holiday (Christmas and New Year's Eves to be excepted, when the hour should be 11 p.m., or when Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on Monday the closing-hour on the preceding Saturday should be 11 p.m.): And whereas by a like requisition, duly made and certified as aforesaid, he has been requested to vary the said notice by fixing the closing-hour of all shops, excepting fruiterers, confectioners, and restaurant-keepers, at half past eight o'clock p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of each week, 1 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, and half past ten o'clock p.m. on Saturday of each week, with the following exception—viz., on the Saturday in each month locally known as pay-Saturday, when the closing-hour to be 11 o'clock; and that the closing-hour on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve be 11 o'clock, except when such days fall on Monday, then the hour of closing on the Saturday previous shall be 11 o'clock:

Now, therefore, in compliance with the last-mentioned requisition, and in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 21 of "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904," and section 5 of "The Shops and Offices Act Amendment Act, 1905," I do hereby vary the said notice by directing that on and after the 1st day of May, 1907, all shops in the Inangahua County, excepting fruiterers', confectioners', and restaurant-keepers', shall be closed in accordance with such latter requisition.

Dated at Wellington, this 19th day of April, 1907.

J. A. MILLAR,
Minister of Labour.

Notice fixing Closing-hours of Hairdressers' and Tobacconists' Shops in the Borough of New Plymouth under the Shops and Offices Act.

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the hairdressers' and tobacconists' shops in the Borough of New Plymouth, has been forwarded to me, desiring that all such shops in the borough shall be closed as follows: On Monday 8 p.m., Tuesday 6 p.m., Wednesday 8 p.m., Thursday 1 p.m., Friday 6 p.m., and on Saturday 12 p.m., with the following exceptions: Race nights, when races are held in New Plymouth, 8 p.m.; and the week prior to and the two weeks following Christmas, when shops may be kept open till the hour of 12 p.m.: And whereas the New Plymouth Borough Council has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in the trades mentioned in the borough:

Now, therefore, I, John Andrew Millar, Minister of Labour, in pursuance of section 21 of "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904," and section 5 of "The Shops and Offices Act Amendment Act, 1905," do hereby direct that from and after the 1st day of May, 1907, all the shops mentioned in the Borough of New Plymouth shall be closed in accordance with such requisition. The weekly half-holiday is on Thursday from 1 p.m.

Dated at Wellington, this 19th day of April, 1907.

J. A. MILLAR,
Minister of Labour.

Authorising the Laying-off of a certain Street in the Township of Laughton Extension No. 3 of a Width of not less than 66 ft.

Department of Lands,

Wellington, 15th April, 1907.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 2 of "The Towns Main Streets Act, 1902," I, Robert McNab, Minister of Lands, do hereby

authorise the laying-off of Hurdley Street, in the Township of Loughton Extension No. 3, Canterbury Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft., instead of 99 ft. as prescribed by section 17 of "The Land Act, 1892."

ROBERT McNAB,
Minister of Lands.

Authorising the Laying-off of certain Streets in the Township of Ohakune Extension of a Width of not less than 66 ft. each.

Department of Lands,
Wellington, 17th April, 1907.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 2 of "The Towns Main Streets Act, 1902," I, Robert McNab, Minister of Lands, do hereby authorise the laying-off of Waiouru Road, Mangateitei Terrace, and Tonga, Awatea, Miro, Pakau, Pipi, Taru, and Titiroa Streets, in the Township of Ohakune Extension, Wellington Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft. each, instead of 99 ft. as prescribed by section 17 of "The Land Act, 1892."

ROBERT McNAB,
Minister of Lands.

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 17th day of April, 1907.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 5 acres, be the same a little more or less, being Allotment No. 14, Section 1, Whiriwhiri, in the Parish of Waiuku West and Provincial District of Auckland, having a frontage of 625 links to a road by a depth of 800 links.

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

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

Dated at Wellington, this 17th day of April, 1907.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1 acre, more or less, being Allotment No. 306, in the Town of Kibikihi, in the Provincial District of Auckland.

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 17th day of April, 1907.

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1 acre, more or less, being Allotment No. 307, Town of Kibikihi, in the Provincial District of Auckland.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 25th March, 1907.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	870,840	16	8
Bills in circulation	.. ..	51,556	2	10
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	22,486	7	11
Government deposits	.. ..	2,415,215	19	8
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	5,173,087	17	11
Bearing interest	.. ..	4,521,672	16	2
Total average liabilities		£13,054,860	1	2

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal	.. ..	2,191,887	13	9
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	80,910	5	2
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	114,142	9	0
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	935	8	7
Landed property	.. ..	104,627	18	3
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	888,648	13	4
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	1,023,281	13	4
3. Other funded securities	.. ..		
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	5,314,333	2	1
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	1,070,591	12	5
Total average assets		£10,784,358	15	11

4-per-cent. guaranteed stock, £1,000,000. (Interest, £20,000 for six months, paid 1st November, 1906.)

Preference shares fully paid up issued to the Crown under "Bank of New Zealand Act, 1903," £500,000.

Ordinary share capital, £500,000.

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

Amount of the last dividend declared on preference shares, £25,000.

Amount of the last dividend declared on ordinary shares, £25,000.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £81,294 10s. 3d.

Dated at Wellington, this 13th day of April, 1907.

W. CALLENDER, General Manager.
F. E. CORKILL, Accountant.

GENERAL ABSTRACT showing the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, within the Colony of New Zealand, taken from the several weekly statements, during the Quarter, from the 1st January to 31st March, 1907.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	145,242	0	1
Bills in circulation	.. ..	18,908	11	1
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Government deposits	.. ..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	1,214,774	8	0
Bearing interest	.. ..	576,122	14	0
Total average liabilities		£1,955,047	13	2

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metals	.. ..	447,327	18	0
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	1,013	15	0
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	33,087	4	6
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Landed property	.. ..	58,848	10	11
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	345,905	17	4
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	..	..	..
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	2,501,542	0	3
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	3,393	8	6
Total average assets		£3,391,118	14	6

Amount of the capital stock paid up at this date, £1,600,000.
 Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 12 per cent. per annum, and bonus 2 per cent. per annum.
 Amount of the last dividend declared, £112,000.
 Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £1,326,860.

Dated at Wellington, this 6th day of April, 1907.

H. K. BETHUNE, Acting Inspector.
 JNO. A. MACLEOD, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the amount of the average Liabilities and Assets of the Union Bank of Australia, Limited, at Branches in the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	177,248	0	0
Bills in circulation	.. ..	10,963	0	0
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	3,345	0	0
Government deposits	.. ..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	1,745,502	0	0
Bearing interest	.. ..	1,466,564	0	0
Total average liabilities		£3,403,622	0	0

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metals	.. ..	533,179	0	0
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	4,562	0	0
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	54,071	0	0
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Landed property	.. ..	64,605	0	0
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	194,971	0	0
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	..	..	..
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	2,615,796	0	0
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	102,355	0	0
Total average assets		£3,569,539	0	0

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st March, 1907, £1,500,000.
 Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 10 per cent. per annum, and bonus 2 per cent., together equal to 14 per cent. per annum.
 Amount of the last dividend declared, with bonus, £105,000.
 Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £1,256,406.

Dated at Wellington, this 15th day of April, 1907.

J. B. PERCY, Inspector.
 G. W. McNICOL, Chief Clerk.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the National Bank of New Zealand, Limited, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	271,220	0	0
Bills in circulation	.. ..	11,027	0	0
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	20,224	0	0
Government deposits	.. ..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	1,740,600	0	0
Bearing interest	.. ..	1,477,919	0	0
Total average liabilities		£3,520,990	0	0

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal	.. ..	621,583	0	0
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	45,658	0	0
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	56,844	0	0
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	28,128	0	0
Landed property	.. ..	79,704	0	0
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	327,693	0	0
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	50,000	0	0
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	2,435,283	0	0
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	7,370	0	0
Total average assets		£3,652,263	0	0

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st March, 1907, £375,000.
 Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 10 per cent. per annum for half-year.
 Amount of the last dividend declared, £12,500.
 Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £280,167.

Dated at Wellington, this 5th day of April, 1907.

JAMES COATES,
 General Manager.

STATEMENT of the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New South Wales, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	183,180	6	8
Bills in circulation	.. ..	7,665	11	4
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	13,363	19	4
Government deposits	.. ..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	1,469,618	5	9
Bearing interest	.. ..	1,658,232	2	9
Total average liabilities		£3,332,060	5	10

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metal	.. ..	657,691	2	1
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	18,345	4	3
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	7,892	0	0
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	33,429	4	10
Landed property	.. ..	102,098	13	4
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	250,583	12	0
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	167,905	19	0
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	59,014	2	11
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	2,684,593	1	9
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	122,559	3	8
Total average assets		£4,104,617	3	10

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st March, 1907, £2,000,000.
 Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 10 per cent.
 Amount of last dividend declared, £100,000.
 Amount of the reserved profits after declaring such dividend, £1,475,000.

Dated at Wellington, this 8th day of April, 1907.

E. J. FINCH, Inspector.
 R. G. GUY, Inspector's Accountant.

RETURN of REVENUE collected at the GENERAL POST OFFICE and in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

—	POSTAL REVENUE.							TELEGRAPH REVENUE.				Total Post and Telegraph Revenue.
	Private Box and Bag Rents.	Money-order Commission.	Stamps sold, and credited to Stamp Revenue.	Postal Guides.	Postal-note Commission.	Miscellaneous Receipts (Postal).	Total Postal.	Telegrams.	Telephone Exchanges.	Miscellaneous Telegraph.	Total Telegraph.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Post Office ..	11 0 0	326 12 0	..	..	..	5,213 15 9	5,551 7 9	..	4,056 2 0	428 0 11	4,484 2 11	10,035 10 8
Auckland	706 6 11	996 11 6	14,253 6 3	6 11 4	321 17 2½	9 11 4½	16,294 4 7	9,845 14 5½	863 8 9	312 17 2	11,022 0 4½	27,316 4 11½
Blenheim	167 18 8	58 5 6	1,171 7 4	1 11 0	24 10 9	0 7 6	1,424 0 9	1,187 4 8	56 17 11	4 17 1	1,248 19 8	2,673 0 5
Christchurch	1,142 19 10	499 17 0	13,118 6 1½	18 19 8	164 4 1	5 2 0½	14,949 8 9	7,462 4 6	392 8 10	342 14 1	8,197 7 5	23,146 16 2
Dunedin	784 1 8	393 8 6	6,693 10 3½	9 17 10	172 6 2½	3 5 11	8,056 10 5	5,549 2 0	166 13 10	185 13 5	5,901 9 3	13,957 19 8
Gisborne	297 1 1	91 4 6	679 17 11	1 11 2	22 17 3	0 16 6½	1,093 8 5½	1,513 18 7½	49 10 9	12 4 8	1,575 14 0½	2,669 2 6
Greymouth	142 7 5	85 2 0	1,437 12 3	0 19 0	22 1 1	0 5 3	1,688 7 0	1,198 12 7½	26 0 5	34 0 0	1,258 13 0½	2,947 0 0½
Hokitika	49 0 0	30 11 6	430 19 8	0 17 6	9 11 9½	0 3 9½	521 4 3	496 15 4	4 17 3	6 0 0	507 12 7	1,028 16 10
Invercargill	555 8 11	175 17 6	3,920 0 11½	6 15 8	95 5 7½	1 3 11½	4,754 12 7½	2,904 16 5½	65 12 9	49 16 8	3,020 5 10½	7,774 18 6
Napier	704 19 9	231 15 0	4,656 5 6	4 5 8	106 6 0	2 9 4	5,706 1 3	3,847 4 6½	178 15 10	16 0 10	4,042 1 2½	9,748 2 5½
Nelson	139 15 1	97 6 0	1,078 7 6½	1 19 0	35 16 8½	1 2 4½	1,354 6 8½	1,353 1 3	9 7 3	5 19 6	1,368 8 0	2,722 14 8½
New Plymouth	240 10 2	117 12 6	2,327 4 8	3 16 6	62 6 3	1 11 4	2,753 1 5	1,723 8 11	19 11 2	29 12 10	1,772 12 11	4,525 14 4
Oamaru	131 16 1	49 11 0	1,572 12 4	3 7 0	28 17 4	0 5 10	1,786 9 7	873 17 6	24 5 6	12 5 10	910 8 10	2,696 18 5
Thames	127 4 2	162 10 6	2,428 11 2½	1 1 10	63 9 11½	0 19 6½	2,783 17 2½	1,660 5 6	35 12 9	11 0 2	1,706 18 5	4,490 15 7½
Timaru	276 10 1	115 14 0	4,293 19 1	2 15 6	47 0 9	1 2 2	4,737 1 7	1,672 9 11½	35 13 8	7 4 11	1,715 8 6½	6,452 10 1½
Wanganui	626 17 9	269 4 0	8,373 4 2½	2 1 2	146 4 4	2 1 6½	9,419 13 0	3,734 2 7½	160 13 7	16 8 4	3,911 4 6½	13,330 17 6½
Wellington	1,575 2 10	885 3 3	23,026 3 8½	5 19 10	318 2 5½	113 9 11½	25,924 2 0½	12,471 12 11	882 12 0	172 11 7	13,526 16 6	39,450 18 6½
Westport	55 0 0	94 10 6	875 6 10	0 9 6	23 8 2	0 4 6	1,048 19 6	842 17 3½	4 1 3	33 12 8	880 11 2½	1,929 10 8½
Totals 1st quarter in 1907	7,734 0 5	4,680 16 9	90,336 15 10½	72 19 2	1,664 5 11½	5,357 18 8½	109,846 16 10½	58,337 9 2	7,032 5 6	1,681 0 8	67,050 15 4	176,897 12 2½
Totals 1st quarter in 1906	7,521 13 5	4,532 1 9	80,831 10 6	79 6 0	1,540 11 9½	23,543 9 5½	118,048 12 11	48,756 18 5	7,112 5 1	1,441 6 8	57,310 10 2	175,359 3 1

General Post Office,
Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

D. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams, including Paid Govern- ment Telegrams.			Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.*		Bureau Communications.		Total.					
		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
			£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Auckland	295	257,606	7,900	13 5	16,578	998	4 4	9,581	615	4 2½	20,023	331	12 6	308,788	9,845	14 5½
Blenheim	41	23,450	724	3 4½	967	63	17 11	424	300	14 4½	5,724	98	9 0	30,565	1,187	4 8
Christchurch	169	187,416	5,704	19 4	7,160	485	1 0	13,818	642	5 8	27,091	629	18 6	235,485	7,462	4 6
Dunedin	164	137,140	4,253	3 7	5,257	316	15 7	7,258	456	2 7	21,407	523	0 3	171,062	5,549	2 0
Gisborne	25	26,218	861	15 4	1,861	119	0 10	1,720	186	1 8½	17,755	347	0 9	47,554	1,513	18 7½
Greymouth	28	27,266	886	12 2½	1,337	64	4 3	1,061	152	7 2	4,729	95	9 0	34,393	1,198	12 7½
Hokitika	35	9,829	316	17 5	216	13	17 0	420	92	17 2	3,776	73	3 9	14,241	496	15 4
Invercargill	115	55,740	1,697	8 8½	1,276	77	5 1	2,306	275	7 2	32,672	854	15 6	91,994	2,904	16 5½
Napier	74	80,839	2,490	2 8	5,280	272	10 9	4,025	361	11 10½	34,260	722	19 3	124,404	3,847	4 6½
Nelson	51	35,442	1,064	7 8	1,541	88	5 4	26,844	176	8 0	1,091	24	0 3	64,918	1,353	1 3
New Plymouth	49	34,381	1,117	11 2	3,262	164	13 6	2,010	163	5 0	13,207	277	19 3	52,860	1,723	8 11
Oamaru	34	17,542	545	15 5	728	44	18 8	697	164	0 11	5,256	119	2 6	24,223	873	17 6
Thames	44	41,081	1,251	12 7	2,641	154	11 2	767	194	10 0	3,530	59	11 9	48,019	1,660	5 6
Timaru	41	35,779	1,104	12 1½	1,484	95	7 2	973	187	0 11	13,647	285	9 9	51,883	1,672	9 11½
Wanganui	84	85,927	2,627	8 11	7,163	366	17 9	2,472	305	5 5½	20,837	434	10 6	116,399	3,734	2 7½
Wellington	165	232,565	9,725	18 7½	16,392	985	18 6	32,597	707	17 3½	49,806	1,101	18 6	381,360	12,471	12 11
Westport	32	19,936	627	17 8	784	60	13 3	478	95	12 10½	2,351	58	13 6	23,549	842	17 3½
Totals first quarter in 1907	1,446	1,358,157	42,901	0 2½	73,927	4,322	2 1	107,451	5,076	12 4½	277,162	6,037	14 6	1,816,697	58,337	9 2
Totals first quarter in 1906	1,312	1,087,607	36,822	19 0	57,956	3,566	11 2	91,297	3,760	12 0	217,735	4,606	16 3	1,454,595	48,756	18 5

* The bulk of Press telegrams are forwarded as "Collect" on delivery.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

D. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of MONEY-ORDER and SAVINGS-BANK TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Money-order Offices open at End of Quarter.	MONEY-ORDERS.						Savings-Bank Offices open at End of Quarter.	SAVINGS-BANKS.							
		Issued.		Paid.		Accounts.			Number of Deposits.	Number of Withdrawals.	Amount of Deposits.	Amount of Withdrawals.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits.		
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Opened.	Closed.									
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			
Auckland	140	21,734	88,832 3 6	20,476	88,728 1 3	134	2,835	1,942	21,814	15,026	346,591 14 9	293,288 16 9	53,102 18 0	..		
Blenheim	8	1,608	6,587 14 11	790	4,933 6 5	8	310	199	2,015	1,395	34,473 9 2	29,965 3 7	4,508 5 7	..		
Christchurch	67	11,357	47,608 18 1	11,843	66,460 2 9	67	3,281	2,494	31,025	20,466	451,147 11 11	374,812 13 4	76,334 18 7	..		
Dunedin	56	10,949	40,040 11 1	11,407	53,755 4 10	52	2,057	1,653	20,045	14,814	285,025 6 7	257,506 2 3	27,519 4 4	..		
Gisborne	10	2,136	9,511 4 11	797	3,383 17 1	9	519	351	3,218	2,503	47,281 15 1	42,023 15 7	5,257 19 6	..		
Greymouth	13	2,237	8,855 6 8	1,065	4,233 2 5	13	351	277	2,335	1,644	34,934 0 6	30,225 11 4	4,708 9 2	..		
Hokitika	7	839	2,941 12 2	450	1,592 13 7	7	67	88	489	444	9,509 0 1	11,859 8 8	..	2,350 8 7		
Invercargill	30	5,149	18,288 18 5	3,190	13,050 8 6	28	794	496	4,942	3,403	87,237 8 6	70,085 3 6	17,152 5 0	..		
Napier	32	6,102	28,630 8 0	3,717	20,835 1 8	28	1,139	817	8,053	5,097	118,826 7 9	101,248 16 11	17,577 10 10	..		
Nelson	17	2,565	9,126 15 5	1,911	7,752 0 1	17	423	373	2,850	2,168	61,766 11 10	62,388 1 7	..	621 9 9		
New Plymouth	12	3,311	12,537 18 9	2,671	11,964 1 1	12	534	337	3,690	1,964	57,526 14 3	45,191 11 8	12,335 2 7	..		
Oamaru	10	2,060	23,172 5 9	1,115	12,573 11 1	10	262	247	1,999	1,603	43,556 11 10	37,677 9 11	5,879 1 11	..		
Thames	18	4,605	16,356 1 0	1,917	7,526 1 8	18	618	407	3,775	2,407	57,949 1 8	49,833 2 4	8,115 19 4	..		
Timaru	15	3,563	30,736 13 2	1,575	7,925 10 1	15	567	409	4,270	3,227	75,887 6 0	65,553 9 0	10,333 17 0	..		
Wanganui	38	7,416	31,734 6 10	3,811	16,931 1 2	36	1,391	875	8,451	4,990	127,673 17 10	95,111 4 8	32,562 13 2	..		
Wellington	73	21,201	82,466 1 0	18,694	84,438 3 2	74	4,620	3,103	38,455	26,052	454,003 18 9	401,685 0 11	52,318 17 10	..		
Westport	17	2,348	8,941 14 2	753	3,163 9 7	17	299	217	1,813	1,100	31,908 10 6	31,795 1 11	113 8 7	..		
Totals 1st quarter in 1907	563	109,180	466,369 3 10	86,182	409,245 16 5	545	20,067	14,285	159,239	108,303	2,325,099 7 0	2,000,250 13 11	324,848 13 1	..		
Totals 1st quarter in 1906	542	109,036	423,602 8 2	85,062	371,097 19 4	525	18,631	12,150	146,566	90,646	1,933,384 12 5	1,718,158 8 9	215,226 3 8	..		

General Post Office,
Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

D. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of POSTAL-NOTE TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	No. of Postal-note Offices open at the End of the Quarter.	NUMBER OF POSTAL NOTES SOLD.											Total.	Total Amount of Postal Notes sold, including Commission.		Commission on Postal Notes sold.		
		At 1/0	At 1/6	At 2/0	At 2/6	At 3/0	At 5/0	At 10/0	At 15/0	At £1.	At £5.	£		s. d.	£	s. d.		
Auckland ..	159	4,308	2,648	5,594	5,936	6,737	9,171	7,530	2,445	3,884	28	48,281	14,963	6	2½	321	17	2½
Blenheim ..	17	248	300	398	437	409	636	577	175	381	3	3,564	1,189	19	3	24	10	9
Christchurch ..	76	1,946	1,031	2,327	2,898	2,685	4,555	3,931	1,250	2,519	13	23,155	7,962	5	7	164	4	1
Dunedin ..	68	2,165	1,288	2,491	2,990	3,469	4,848	4,152	1,373	2,211	33	25,020	8,214	2	2½	172	6	2½
Gisborne ..	12	296	179	339	365	398	619	487	163	419	2	3,267	1,139	16	3	22	17	3
Greymouth ..	14	227	165	338	360	334	662	555	150	315	2	3,108	1,055	3	7	22	1	1
Hokitika ..	10	106	58	126	146	194	209	246	76	158	..	1,319	469	8	9½	9	11	9½
Invercargill ..	42	1,072	691	1,380	1,528	1,747	2,808	2,413	715	1,237	4	13,595	4,493	10	1½	95	5	7½
Napier ..	41	1,312	943	1,808	2,010	1,998	2,973	2,418	831	1,416	19	15,728	5,060	17	6	106	6	0
Nelson ..	22	409	303	708	622	664	943	852	230	528	1	5,260	1,694	8	2½	35	16	8½
New Plymouth	23	893	561	1,091	1,075	1,289	1,670	1,360	507	869	10	9,325	2,982	12	3	62	6	3
Oamaru ..	13	466	232	327	580	518	768	733	210	385	3	4,222	1,368	9	4	28	17	4
Thames ..	23	918	563	1,074	1,147	1,325	1,676	1,640	546	615	6	9,510	2,894	12	11½	63	9	11½
Timaru ..	15	471	285	801	829	869	1,264	1,128	376	654	7	6,684	2,257	0	9	47	0	9
Wanganui ..	52	1,835	1,307	2,342	2,475	2,907	3,810	3,263	1,207	2,220	2	21,368	7,034	17	4	146	4	4
Wellington ..	81	3,443	2,234	4,467	5,618	5,796	8,670	7,304	2,289	5,106	88	45,015	15,758	8	5½	318	2	5½
Westport ..	20	240	139	398	369	439	627	567	186	341	..	3,306	1,118	7	2	23	8	2
Totals 1st qr. in 1907	688	20,355	12,927	26,009	29,385	31,778	45,909	39,156	12,729	23,258	221	241,737	79,657	5	11½	1,664	5	11½
Totals 1st qr. in 1906	654	18,991	11,697	25,348	27,633	29,666	42,973	36,701	12,001	19,989	203	225,202	72,904	14	9½	1,540	11	9½

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	NUMBER OF POSTAL NOTES PAID.												Total.	Total Amount of Postal Notes paid.	
	At 1/0	At 1/6	At 2/0	At 2/6	At 3/0	At 5/0	At 7/6	At 10/0	At 15/0	At £1.	At £5.	£		s. d.	
Auckland ..	4,488	2,849	6,026	6,475	6,869	9,740	..	8,320	2,552	4,163	26	51,508	15,682	8	0
Blenheim ..	117	94	170	222	228	307	..	277	104	208	..	1,727	593	2	0
Christchurch ..	2,369	1,407	3,080	3,589	3,535	5,792	..	5,052	1,649	3,297	25	29,795	10,143	12	0
Dunedin ..	2,622	1,668	3,187	3,834	3,961	5,877	..	5,133	1,621	2,809	21	30,733	9,813	16	0
Gisborne ..	108	70	125	151	130	265	..	221	71	206	2	1,349	507	10	6
Greymouth ..	134	106	241	245	225	398	..	404	135	217	1	2,106	727	17	6
Hokitika ..	51	32	87	82	97	243	..	175	40	126	..	933	342	14	0
Invercargill ..	711	452	968	991	1,086	1,882	..	1,635	520	838	3	9,036	2,971	10	6
Napier ..	882	568	1,274	1,298	1,281	2,014	..	1,629	573	828	12	10,359	3,204	5	0
Nelson ..	325	202	501	499	497	742	..	706	249	527	4	4,252	1,490	13	6
New Plymouth	778	421	1,015	942	1,179	1,584	..	1,348	480	829	9	8,585	2,770	11	6
Oamaru ..	188	98	230	264	268	434	..	381	142	245	1	2,251	768	9	0
Thames ..	362	225	482	498	546	841	..	788	231	355	1	4,329	1,364	16	6
Timaru ..	297	167	357	512	553	794	..	823	237	477	2	4,219	1,484	15	6
Wanganui ..	854	579	1,212	1,334	1,513	2,012	..	1,791	664	1,120	8	11,087	3,657	10	6
Wellington ..	5,408	3,550	6,759	7,974	8,603	12,161	..	9,843	3,068	6,749	103	64,218	21,026	10	0
Westport ..	78	58	144	145	139	235	..	225	69	146	..	1,239	430	12	6
Totals 1st qr. in 1907	19,772	12,546	25,858	29,055	30,710	45,271	..	38,751	12,405	23,140	218	237,726	76,980	14	6
Totals 1st qr. in 1906	18,700	11,382	24,634	27,077	28,643	41,964	1	36,203	11,895	19,597	195	220,291	70,019	5	0

STATEMENT showing DISCOUNT-STAMP TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st March, 1907.

Postal District.	Discount-stamps sold.	Discount-stamps redeemed.	Unsold Discount-stamps on Hand on 31st March, 1907.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	9 15 0	8 4 0	45 0 0
Blenheim .. .. .	..	..	10 15 0
Christchurch .. .. .	..	0 9 0	8 15 0
Dunedin .. .. .	..	..	30 0 0
Gisborne .. .. .	..	..	11 10 0
Greymouth .. .. .	..	..	25 0 0
Hokitika .. .. .	..	..	12 10 0
Invercargill .. .. .	..	..	23 14 0
Napier	2 5 0	3 10 0	10 15 0
Nelson .. .. .	..	..	12 0 0
New Plymouth .. .. .	..	..	12 15 0
Oamaru .. .. .	..	..	24 15 0
Thames	9 0 0	12 2 0	21 0 0
Timaru .. .. .	..	..	25 15 0
Wanganui .. .. .	..	..	15 5 0
Wellington	695 14 0	630 7 0	196 0 0
Westport .. .. .	..	..	11 0 0
Totals	716 14 0	654 12 0	496 9 0
Totals, March quarter, 1906	761 5 0	749 5 0	564 0 0

General Post Office,
Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

D. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

Vital Statistics.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Principal Towns of New Zealand during the Month of March, 1907:—

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 March, 1907.

BOROUGHES.	ESTIMATED POPULATION, JANUARY, 1907.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGHES.	DEATHS IN BOROUGHES REGISTERED IN MARCH, 1907.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, March, 1907.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1906.
			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	41,498	99	13	2	12	4	..	13	44	1.06	12.51		
Birkenhead	1,300	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11.84
Devonport	5,100	7	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	0.59	6.51
Newmarket	2,375	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6.83
Grey Lynn	6,216	5	..	1	1	1	..	2	5	0.80	6.97		
Parnell	5,260	7	1	..	..	1	..	1	3	0.57	7.23
Mount Eden	7,400	15	1	..	2	..	..	1	4	0.54	2.90
Other suburbs* .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Auckland and sub-urban boroughs*	69,149	146	15	3	16	7	..	18	59	0.85	9.90		
Total population of Greater Auckland, Census, 1906	82,101, including suburbs not in boroughs.												
Wellington	61,533	135	12	2	18	11	2	15	60	0.98	9.45		
Karori	2,432	3	1	..	1	1	..	1	4	1.64	5.01		
Onslow	2,185	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.46	8.58
Miramar	1,385	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4.20
Totals Wellington and suburbs	67,535	142	13	2	20	12	2	16	65	0.96	9.19		
Totals Wellington and suburbs, Census, 1906	63,807.												
Christchurch	51,972	112	8	3	17	15	2	16	61	1.17	11.12		
Woolston	2,950	5	1	..	1	..	..	1	3	1.02	13.45
Other suburbs* .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Christchurch and sub-urban borough*	54,922	117	9	3	18	15	2	17	64	1.17	11.25		
Total population of Greater Christchurch, Census, 1906	67,878, including suburbs not in boroughs, and New Brighton.												
Dunedin	37,621	90	6	..	11	7	..	7	31	0.82	12.70		
Maori Hill	2,063	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.48	8.11
Mornington	4,200	7	..	..	1	..	..	1	0.24	7.95	
North-east Valley	4,467	11	..	..	4	1	..	5	1.12	8.32	
Roslyn	5,550	9	1	..	2	..	..	3	0.54	11.77	
St. Kilda	2,600	11	2	..	1	..	..	2	5	1.92	8.53
West Harbour	1,530	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4.62
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	58,036	136	9	..	18	9	..	10	46	0.79	11.35		
Totals Dunedin and suburbs, Census, 1906	56,020.												

* The remaining suburbs do not lie within borough boundaries, and particulars respecting them have not been obtained for the Vital Statistics.

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 541, against 535 in February—an increase of 6. The deaths in March were 234, a decrease of 51 on the number in February. Of the total deaths, males contributed 126, females 108. One hundred and one of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 42.74 per cent. of the whole number; 89 of these were under one year of age.

There were fifty-one deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards: Four men, 71, 72, 76, 84, and eight women, 65, 66, 68, 70, 73, 75 (two), 77, died at Auckland; seven men, 67, 70 (four), 75 (two), and six women, 67, 69, 70, 72, 78, 86, at Wellington; seven men, 65, 69, 70, 73, 74, 76, 80, and five women, 68, 69, 72, 74, 86, at Christchurch; and nine men, 65, 67 (two), 73, 74 (two), 75 (three), and five women, 66, 69 (two), 72, 75, 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 March, 1907.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.*	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	2	1	6	1	11	..	8	2	31	13.25
II	Parasitic Diseases	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	0.85
III	Dietetic Diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.43
IV	Constitutional Diseases	2	6	2	9	1	18	..	9	47	20.08
V	Developmental Diseases	2	3	1	3	4	2	2	1	18	7.69
VI	Local Diseases	11	19	17	20	11	13	7	13	111	47.44
VII	Violence	3	5	..	2	..	2	..	1	13	5.56
VIII	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	5	..	3	..	2	..	1	..	11	4.70
	Totals	25	34	29	36	29	35	18	28	234	100.00

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
CLASS I.—SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Miasmatic,—</i>									
Influenza	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Whooping-cough	1	..	3	..	1	..	5
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Diarrhoeal,—</i>									
Diarrhoea	2	..	4	1	8	..	6	..	21
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Veneral,—</i>									
Syphilis (Congenital)	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 6:—									
<i>Septic,—</i>									
Septic Infection	1	..	1
Toxæmia of Pregnancy	1	1
CLASS II.— PARASITIC DISEASES.									
Hydatids	1	..	..	..	1	2
CLASS III.— DIETETIC DISEASES.									
Alcoholism	1	1
CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.									
Cancer	3	..	7	..	11	..	4	25
Tabes Mesenterica	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Tubercular Enteritis	1	..	..	..	1
Tubercular Peritonitis	1	..	..	1
Tubercular Meningitis	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Phthisis	3	..	2	..	5	..	1	11
Tuberculosis of Knee-joint	1	1
Anæmia	1	1
Diabetes	1	..	2	3
CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.									
Premature Birth	1	..	1	..	4	..	2	..	8
Spina Bifida	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Old Age..	3	..	3	..	2	..	1	9
CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i>									
Meningitis	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Apoplexy	1	..	4	..	1	..	4	10
Softening of Brain	1	..	..	..	..	1
Paralysis	1	..	..	..	..	1
Paralysis of Insane	1	..	..	..	..	1
Convulsions	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Spinal Disease	1	1
Degeneration of Brain	1	1
Tumour on Brain	1	1
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i>									
Heart-disease	2	..	5	..	5	..	3	15
Syncope	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Rupture of Aorta	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 4:—									
<i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i>									
Laryngitis	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Croup	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bronchitis	1	1	1	3
Pneumonia	1	1	1	3	1	..	1	1	9
Pleurisy	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
ORDER 5:—									
<i>Diseases of Digestive System,—</i>									
Dentition	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Gastritis	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	3
Gastro Ulcer	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Enteritis	7	1	14	..	10	..	4	..	36
Hernia	1	..	..	1
Gallstones	1	..	..	..	..	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Jaundice	1	..	1
Appendicitis	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	3

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—continued.									
ORDER 7:—									
<i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Bright's Disease .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Retention of Urine .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cystitis .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Enlarged Prostate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2
Kidney-disease .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 10:—									
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System,—</i>									
Cellulitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.									
ORDER 1:—									
<i>Accident or Negligence,—</i>									
Fracture of Skull .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kick by a Horse .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Fall down Hold of Ship .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Run over by Train .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Bullet Wound .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Drowned	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
Misadventure (Chloroform) .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ORDER 2:—									
<i>Homicide,—</i>									
Manslaughter	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
ORDER 3:—									
<i>Suicide,—</i>									
By Hanging .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
By Poison .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
By Strangling .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.									
Marasmus	5	..	3	..	2	..	1	..	11
Totals	25	34	29	36	29	35	18	28	234

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 Auckland, Wellington, and Dunedin.

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Population.	
Auckland City	1.06	0.85
and six suburban boroughs .. .. .	..	..
Wellington City	0.98	0.96
and three suburban boroughs .. .. .	..	..
Christchurch City	1.17	1.17
and one suburban borough .. .. .	..	..
Dunedin City	0.82	0.79
and six suburban boroughs .. .. .	..	..

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

Compared with March, 1906, the results are,—

	1906.	1907.
Auckland and suburbs	0.98	0.85
Wellington and suburbs	0.78	0.96
Christchurch and suburb	0.61	1.17
Dunedin and suburbs	0.76	0.79

Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases.—Of 31 deaths belonging to this class which occurred at the four chief centres with suburbs in March, 21 were from diarrhoea—2 at Auckland, 5 at Wellington, 8 at Christchurch, and 6 at Dunedin. Whooping-cough was fatal—at Wellington—1 death, Christchurch 3, and Dunedin 1: total, 5 deaths. And influenza caused 1 death at Auckland and 1 at Dunedin. The remaining deaths were—1 of a child from specific disease, and 2 from septic diseases.

Constitutional Diseases.—Of 47 deaths, 25 resulted from cancer, and 18 from tubercular diseases, including 11 phthisis. Diabetes caused 3 deaths, and anæmia 1.

Local Diseases.—The total mortality at the four centres was 111 deaths, of which 19 were from diseases of the nervous system, 17 of the circulatory, 16 of the respiratory, 50 of the digestive, 8 of the urinary, and 1 of the integumentary systems.

Violent Deaths.—Of 13 deaths, 8 were accidental. One death resulted from fracture, 1 from fall, 1 from a kick by a horse, 1 from running-over by train, 1 from bullet wound, 2 from drowning, and 1 from misadventure with chloroform. Two deaths were homicidal (manslaughter). There were 3 suicides—1 by poison, 1 by strangling, and 1 by hanging.

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

Towns.	SIX PRINCIPAL SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.												PRINCIPAL LUNG-DISEASES							
	Influenza.		Scarlet Fever.		Typhoid and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping-cough.		Diarrhoeal Diseases.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.
Auckland and suburban boroughs	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	1	1	2	1	..	..
Wellington and suburban boroughs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	7	..	2	1	..	4	2	..	..
Christchurch and suburban borough	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	8	24	1	2	..	1	1	4	1	..
Dunedin and suburban boroughs	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	6	2	1	..	..	2	1	..	..
Totals	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	6	21	39	3	6	2	2	9	8	1	..

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 March, 1907.

BOROUGH.	POPULATION, CENSUS, 1906.	TOTAL BIRTHS IN BOROUGH.	DEATHS IN BOROUGH REGISTERED IN MARCH, 1907.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, March, 1907.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Mean Population in the Year 1906.
			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.					
Thames	3,750	14	2	1	..	..	1	1	5	1.33	12.80
New Plymouth	5,141	20	..	..	3	1	..	1	5	0.97	8.75
Napier	9,454	18	3	..	1	1	..	2	7	0.74	10.37		
Wanganui	8,175	12	1	..	..	..	1	5	7	0.86	7.09
Palmerston North	10,239	28	..	..	2	1	..	1	4	0.39	7.32
Masterton	5,026	20	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	0.40	7.36
Blenheim	3,351	22	2	1	2	..	..	5	1.49	19.99	
Nelson	8,164	27	2	1	6	3	1	14	1.71	12.74			
Greymouth	4,569	9	3	..	4	..	..	1	8	1.75	12.69
Hokitika	2,224	7	..	..	4	..	..	4	1.79	10.79	
Lyttelton	3,941	18	..	..	3	2	..	2	7	1.78	10.40
Timaru	7,615	18	2	..	2	1	1	2	8	1.05	8.67		
Oamaru	5,071	11	2	..	1	1	1	1	6	1.18	9.07		
Invercargill (Greater)	12,507*	36	2	1	4	1	..	5	13	1.04	10.71		

* Includes suburban boroughs—Invercargill East, North, and South, with Avenal and Gladstone.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 19th April, 1907.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Result of Election of Trustees of a Drainage District.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

THE following result of the election of Trustees of the South Hautapu Drainage District has been received from the Returning Officer, and is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Land Drainage Act, 1904."

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

South Hautapu Drainage District, County of Waikato:

John Arnold.
Mary Eliza Ewen.
Robert Morse.
Charles Roberts.
William Draycott Shepherd.

Kaitangata Relief Fund.

STATEMENT of account to 31st March, 1907:—

1906.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
April 1. By Balance	.. .. .	4,850	10	10
Mar. 31. Twelve months' interest to 31st March., 1907, on £3,000 at 4½ per cent. .. .. .	.. .. .	135	0	0
Interest—				
April, £1,822; May, £1,793; June, £1,765; July, £1,737; Aug., £1,694; Sept., £1,666 —at 4 per cent.		34	18	6
Oct., £1,740; Nov., £1,712; Dec., £1,669; Jan., £1,641; Feb., £1,613; Mar., £1,584 —at 4 per cent.		33	3	10
		<u>£5,053</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>
1907.	Dr.	£	s.	d.
Mar. 31. To Paid fifteen beneficiaries' allowances from 30th Mar., 1906, to 18th Jan, 1907 .. .. .	.. .. .	297	6	6
Paid fifteen beneficiaries' allowances from 18th Jan., 1907, to 15th Mar., 1907 .. .. .	.. .. .	55	18	11
Paid fifteen beneficiaries' allowances from 15th Mar., 1907, to 29th Mar., 1907 .. .. .	.. .. .	13	15	8
Paid member's expenses to Board meeting .. .. .	.. .. .	1	1	0
Paid telegrams .. .. .	.. .. .	0	2	11
Balance .. .. .	.. .. .	4,685	8	2
		<u>£5,053</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>
April 1. By Value of fund at date .. .. .	.. .. .	£4,685	8	2

J. W. POYNTON,
Public Trustee.

Public Trust Office, Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office,
Wellington, 18th April, 1907.

THE Middlemarch Lodge, No. 8008, situated at Middlemarch, is registered as a branch of the Otago District of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Odd Fellows Friendly Society, under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1882," this 18th day of April, 1907.

ROBT. E. HAYES,
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Sitting of Commission re "Surplus" Native Land.

THE Commission (R. M. Houston, Esq., M.H.R.) will commence its sitting at Kaitaia on the 10th day of May, 1907. All persons interested in the matters to be heard before that Commission in reference to the surplus lands mentioned in the Schedule are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid. Persons desiring that the Commission should adjourn to Kawakawa and Hokianga, or other place, are notified to apply for such adjournments when the Commission is sitting at Kaitaia.

SCHEDULE.

Petitioner to Parliament.	Name of Land.
Hons Pete and others	Puketotara Block.
Wirimu Teete and others	Kapouai Block.
Rawiri Hongi and others	Motunopao Island.
Reihana Moekitanga and others	Opua Block.
Hapakuku and others	Waimamaku No. 2 Block.
Timoti Puhipi and others	Tangonge Swamp.

JACKSON PALMER,
Chief Judge, Native Land Court, on behalf of
R. M. Houston, the said Commission.

Officiating Ministers for 1907.—Notice No. 17.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand passed in the fourth year of the reign of His Majesty King Edward VII, and intitled "The Marriage Act, 1904," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

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

The Venerable Archdeacon Joseph Campbell, M.A.

Roman Catholic Church.

The Reverend Alexander O'Hare.

Baptists.

The Reverend—

Percy Carter.
Charles Duncan Gardiner.

Salvation Army.

Adjutant Andrew Gray.
Staff-Captain David McLure.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Officiating Ministers for 1907.—Notice No. 18.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

AT the request of the Provincial Commander of the Salvation Army, the following names have been withdrawn from the List of Officiating Ministers under "The Marriage Act, 1904," for the year 1907:—

Ensign George Clark.
Major Arthur Twyford.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Flax in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands Office,
Auckland, 17th April, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the right to cut one crop of flax on each of the undermentioned lots will be submitted to public auction, in terms of "The Land Act, 1892," at the District Lands Office, Auckland, at 11 o'clock on Tuesday, the 14th day of May, 1907:—

THAMES COUNTY.

Lot 1.

Parts Blocks X, Thames; IV, Piako; and I, Waihou Survey Districts.
Upset price, £25. Time for removal, one year.

Lot 2.

Part of Block X, Thames Survey District.
Upset price, £25. Time for removal, one year.

OHINEMURI COUNTY.

Lot 3.

Parts of Block VI and X, Waihou Survey District.
Upset price, £20. Time for removal, one year.

Lot 4.

Parts of Blocks XIII and XIV, Waihou, and II, Waitoa Survey Districts.
Upset price, £30. Time for removal, one year.

Lot 5.

Parts of Blocks II and VI, Waitoa Survey District.
Upset price, £20. Time for removal, one year.

CONDITIONS AND TERMS OF SALE.

The highest bidder for each separate lot to become the purchaser, the bidding to be on the upset prices stated hereon.

Payment for each lot to be made on the fall of the hammer.

The lessee to take all risks of fire, and will be held responsible to take every precaution necessary to guard against such.

All rights reserved in these conditions are to be without compensation of any kind whatsoever, and the method of cutting flax to be as directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

In the event of any of the above lots not being disposed of, consideration will be given to applications made at any time within three months from the above date of sale, providing, however, that the amount offered is not less than the upset prices stated hereon. The position of the above lots is approximately shown on lithos and tracings lodged in this office.

JAMES MACKENZIE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserve in Hawke's Bay Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands Office,
Napier, 19th March, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned reserve will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, the 29th day of May, 1907, under the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881."

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of Lease.
106	XIII	Woodville	A. R. P. 28 1 0	£ s. d. 30 0 0	21 years.

Weighted with £90 15s., valuation for improvements, consisting of 83 chains of fencing, £34 5s., and 23½ acres in grass, £56 10s.

Low-lying level country, at present subject to flood from an overflow of the Mangaatua Stream. Soil, alluvial deposit, on clay formation. Situated one mile from Woodville by a good metalled dray-road.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. One half-year's rent, together with £1 1s. lease fee, must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

2. No declaration is required. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. Valuation for improvements to an amount not exceeding £90 will be allowed on the expiry of the lease, or if it is forfeited or terminated. The provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," respecting valuation for improvements and payment or other disposal thereof shall, so far as the same are applicable, apply to the improvements made by the lessee.

3. Possession will be given on the day of sale.

4. The lease shall be for the term of twenty-one 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 lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land, and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, ragwort, 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 lease within thirty days after the date on which the same ought to be fulfilled.

HENRY TRENT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run in Auckland Land District open for Lease on Application.

District Lands Office,
Auckland, 19th March, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application, at this office, on Wednesday, the 29th day of May, 1907, under the provisions of Part V of "The Land Act, 1892."

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

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—EAST TAUPO AND HAWKE'S BAY COUNTIES.—MARUANUI* AND TAHARUA† SURVEY DISTRICTS.
Second-class Pastoral Country.

Run No.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Annual Rental.
			Acres.	£ s. d.
82	1 * 1 †	IX, X, XIII, XIV III, IV, VII, VIII, IX	14,200	88 15 0

Weighted with £1,927 10s., valuation for improvements, consisting of felling, grassing, two houses, two orchards, fencing, drains, sheep-yards, and bridges.

Altitude, from 2,000 ft. to 2,400 ft. above sea-level. Undulating land; about 4,500 acres covered with thick forest, principally tawa (red-birch), with a thick undergrowth of konini, punga, petipeti, whauwhau, &c.; balance open land. Soil is of a sandy and pumice nature, on pumice formation; very well watered by the Mohaka and Taharua Rivers. Access is from the Rangitaiki Accommodation-house, which is about nine miles distant by the Taupo-Napier Road—seven miles good dray-road, remainder good horse-track.

JAMES MACKENZIE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands Office,
Invercargill, 11th March, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral run will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, the 15th day of May, 1907, under the provisions of Part VI of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

CLASS I.

Southland Land District.—Mason Survey District.—Stewart Island.

PASTORAL Run No. 533: Area, 7,110 acres. Upset rental per annum, £12. Term, fourteen years.

Weighted with £60, valuation for improvements.

Description of Run.

Situated at Mason Bay, Stewart Island. Access from this bay and by water to head of Paterson Inlet at Fresh-water River, thence through open country. Soil inferior, sand and sandy loam; well watered with fine small streams. Bush chiefly dense scrub, a large proportion being the best cattle-feed; principal vegetation on open land red tussock, and a little native grass.

JOHN HAY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Town of Seddon, Starborough Settlement, Marlborough Land District, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands Office,
Blenheim, 18th February, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, on Monday, the 13th day of May, 1907, 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.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—MARLBOROUGH COUNTY.—STARBOROUGH SETTLEMENT.—TOWN OF SEDDON.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.		
			Half-yearly Rent.		
3	IX	A. R. P. 0 1 23	£	s.	d.
Weighted with £1 3s., valuation for fencing.					
4	IX	0 1 4	0	10	0
Weighted with £1 13s. 6d., valuation for fencing.					
7	IX	0 1 7	1	0	0
*8	IX	0 1 7	0	10	0
*Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
11	IX	0 1 7	1	0	0
*12	IX	0 1 7	0	10	0
*Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
15	IX	0 1 7	1	0	0
*16	IX	0 1 7	0	10	0
*Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
19	IX	0 1 7	1	0	0
*20	IX	0 1 7	0	10	0
*Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
21	IX	0 1 5	1	5	0
Weighted with £1 3s., valuation for fencing.					
22	IX	0 1 23	0	15	0
Weighted with £2 3s., valuation for fencing.					
1	IXA	0 1 13	1	10	0
Weighted with £1 14s. 4d., valuation for fencing.					
2	IXA	0 2 3	1	5	0
Weighted with £1 4s., valuation for fencing.					
5	IXA	0 1 7	1	5	0
Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
6	IXA	0 1 7	1	0	0
*9	IXA	0 1 7	1	5	0
*Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
10	IXA	0 1 7	1	0	0
*13	IXA	0 1 7	1	5	0
*Weighted with 13s., valuation for fencing.					
14	IXA	0 1 7	1	0	0
*17	IXA	0 1 8	1	10	0
*Weighted with £1 4s., valuation for fencing.					
18	IXA	0 1 26	1	15	0
Weighted with £1 3s., valuation for fencing.					

F. STEPHENSON SMITH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Nelson Land District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands Office,
Nelson, 22nd February, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 240 of "The Land Act, 1892," that Section No. 23, Block II, Gordon Survey District, Nelson Land District, containing 307 acres, and marked on the map as a "Milling-timber Reserve," will be open for sale or selection either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, at this office, on Wednesday, the 29th day of May, 1907, under the provisions of the said Act.

F. W. FLANAGAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands Office,
Dunedin, 25th March, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at this office, and at the Public Hall, Kurow, on Tuesday, the 21st day of May, 1907, under the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Consolidation Act, 1900," and amendments, and the regulations thereunder.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—WAIKAI COUNTY.—KUROW SURVEY DISTRICT.—KUROW SETTLEMENT.

Classified as Dairy Farms.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.		
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	
GROUP A.					
Subdivision 1.					
		A. R. P.	£	s.	d.
1A	I	41 2 0	0	12	0
(£ 12 10 0* 9 15 0					
Subdivision 2.					
2A	I	35 1 8	0	14	0
12 10 0					
Subdivision 3.					
3A	I	13 2 17	1	3	0
4A	I	13 3 20	1	3	0
8 0 0					
Subdivision 4.					
5A	I	14 1 6	1	3	0
6A	I	14 0 17	1	3	0
7A	I	13 3 3	1	2	0
8 10 0					
Subdivision 5.					
8A	I	16 1 16	1	2	0
9 0 0					
Subdivision 6.					
9A		11 0 8	1	2	0
6 10 0					
Subdivision 7.					
10A	I	15 1 25	1	2	0
11A	I	16 2 24	1	2	0
12A	I	15 3 38	1	2	0
8 10 0					
9 0 0					
9 0 0					

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings valued at £250, repayable in cash, or in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £9 15s. Total half-yearly payment, £22 5s.

Section 1A contains a four-roomed stone house, outhouse, stable, and good iron barn, all valued at £250, repayable in cash, or in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £9 15s.; also fencing valued at £29 4s. 6d., which goes with the land. Sections 4A and 7A have no improvements. The fencing on the remaining sections which goes with the land is valued as follows: Section 2A, £10 1s. 6d.; Section 3A, £2 2s. 6d.; Section 5A, £2 10s.; Section 6A, £2 10s.; Section 8A, £3 1s. 10d.; Section 9A, £1 15s.; Section 10A, £4 12s. 6d.; Section 11A, £4 10s.; Section 12A, £4 10s. A hut, valued at £20 and situated on Section 1A, goes with Section 12A, and is to be removed by the tenant of the latter section.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

Kurow Settlement, lately known as "Hille's Farm," is situated about a mile from Kurow Township, in close proximity to the flourishing little settlement known as "Tahawai." Kurow, which is forty-two miles from Oamaru by rail, contains a bank, post-office, shops, school, creamery, two hotels, three churches, &c., and has a regular train service. The settlement is approached by well formed and metalled roads, and the railway bounds it on the north-eastern side. The climate is good, although cold in the winter, the altitude being about 660 ft. The land is of excellent quality, consisting of a rich black loam on a sandy subsoil. A small portion on the south-eastern side is slightly stony. The whole settlement is flat, easily ploughable, and well watered by races. The land is therefore easily irrigated and rendered very suitable for agricultural purposes.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

NATIVE LAND COURT NOTICES.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Paeroa, Thames.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 27th March, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Paeroa, Thames, on the 14th day of May, 1907, 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, 1907-15.]

A. G. HOLLAND, Registrar.

SCHEDULE

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED APPLICATIONS.		
16	Te Rangi Tuataka Douglas, Timi te Rua, and others	Okauia No. 4.
17	Te Rangi Tuataka Douglas, Timi te Rua, and others	Okauia No. 3.
18	Te Morehu Himiona and Ngatihinerangi	Okauia No. 3 and No. 4.
19	Petiwai Warana	Mangakotukutuku.
20	Rahoroi Hikairo	Rawhiitiroa A.
21	Karika Paehao (for Mama Ponehe)	Waiharakeke East No. 1c, Section 2.
22	Paora Hikaiti and others	Tiritiri No. 1.
22A	R. Maxwell	Maratai No. 3.
23	Parepumai te Whetuiti	Te Hoetainui No. 6A.
24	Parepumai te Whetuiti	Kaikupenga.
25	Pepa Tauke	Maratai No. 2.
26	Ngawiki Potae, Witika Taupo, and others	Wairau No. 1.
27	Haora Tareranui	Hakaimango.
28	Samuel Craig	Komata South No. 1A.
29	Haora Tamihana	Te Karaka (Taupo).
30	Pahemata	Kaiwhenua No. 2.
31	Hore Taumore, Ruki te Naibi, Tainui Whataroa, Tiwai Paraone, Awatapu Paraone, and Moanarua te Ope	Waitakaruru No. 1A.
32	Takotorau te Aku, Witika Taupo, and others	Makumaku No. 5.
33	Tukua Rauroha	Waitakaruru No. 5c.
34	Horitau Poibipi, Ramari Raharuhi, Te Keepa Raharuhi	Ngahutoitoti Koronae No. 1j.
35	Ngakete Ngatai, Renata Mahipaka, Tewai Parauru, and Moanarua te Ope	Wharekawa No. 1.
NEW APPLICATIONS.		
36	Tirihana Utuku	Tapuaurerahi No. ..
37	Te Mataiti Aramoana, Mere Wata Tutepaoa, Makereta Rangiamokura, Hera Puna, Renata te Koroa, and others	Horahia-Opou.
38	Tamati Paetai	Te Awaiti No. 5.
39	Tamara Takuna and Hone Ngataru	Huhuraumati-Moanapakiti.
40	Paora Tiunga	Kaikahu No. 3.
41	Eru te Whakawehi	Te Onepu.
42	Te Hihiri Rawiri and others	Waikaka No. 2c.
43	Merea Warere, Kino Henare, Kiri Ngautoko, Rangianewa Henare, and others	Waikaka C No. 2.
44	Tata Tumakere, Hariata Puaa, Piri Paraone, and others	Te Hoetainui No. 2 (Te Hoetainui North No. 2c)
45	Haora Tareranui	Mangamutu No. 1.
46	Tanuku Hikaiti and others	Tiritiri No. 2.
47	Hurinui Tiahuia, Hetaraka Tiahuia, Moengaroa Tiahuia, and Makirangi	Tiritiri No. 3.
48	Hera Tutea and Tawai Tutea	Te Aroha, Block IX, Section 25.
49	Kiri Kirihipi and others (by Robert B. Gerring)	Hoetainui North No. 5A.
50	Tupeke te Ruinga and others	Hapuakohe.
51	Hetaraka Tiahuia, Hurinui Tiahuia, Makirangi Tiahuia, and Moengaroa Tiahuia	Makumaku No. 5c.
52	Tiwai Paraone, Awatapu Paraone, Moanarua te Ope, and others	Waitakaruru No. 1A.
53	Tiwai Paraone, Awatapu Paraone, Moanarua te Ope, Hoani te Ararua, and others	Waitakaruru No. 2b, Kairito.
54	Paora Tiunga, Tangiwai te Kiri, Raiha te Irikowhai, Aira te Kiri, and others	Te Awaiti No. 1A.
55	Hikairo Ngakawe	Ngarua No. 1B.
56	Rangi Wawau	Ngarua No. 1B.
57	Maata Wi Ututangata Taipua, Wiremu Taipua, and Raiha Wiremu Taipua	Te Huruhi No. 5.
58	Hamiara Raharuhi (by his agent, Haora Tareranui)	Maratai No. 4.
59	Tamara Takuna, Ngawiki Potae, Witika Taupo, Ihepera Ruiha, and others	Uriwha No. 1.
60	Kihana Watana and Te Reiti Watana	Arikirau No. 1.
61	Ngawiki Potae and Ihepera Ruiha	Kopuarahi No. 3D.
62	Ngahihi Hariata (by his agent, T. R. Hughes)	Mangawhero No. 1.
63	Hawinui Tame, Hetaraka Tame, and Moengaroa Tame	Tiritiri No. 7.
64	Tukumana te Taniwha, Hohepa Mataitaua, and others	Wharekawa No. 4B.
65	Rawiri te Ua, Hera Puna, and John Hopkins (for Mihi Tiki)	Wharekawa No. 4B.
66	Ngawiki Potae and Ihepera Ruiha	Te Awaiti No. 1j No. 2.
67	Ihepera Ruiha	Te Awaiti No. 2c.
68	Tamara Takuna	Pokopoko.
69	Tame Matehaere, Reti Hoani, and Hibi Rawiri	Ngataipua No. 4.
70	Tame Metehaere, Reti Hoani, and Hibi Rawiri	Horahia-Opou No. 4.
71	Tamati Paetai (for the whole tribe)	Hikutaia No. 1.
72	Ngawiki Potae and others (by their solicitor)	Te Rae-o-te-papa,

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION—*continued.*

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
NEW APPLICATIONS— <i>continued.</i>		
73	Ngawiki Potae, Ihepera Ruiha, Takotorau te Aku, Taumaha Aperahama, and others	Kaikahu No. 1.
74	Rangirumaki Pereniki	Ahipukahu No. 1.
75	Rikirangi Tiunga, Tangiwai te Kiri, and others	Waihou West No. 4B.
76	Paora Tiunga and others	Te Awaiti No. 1B.
77	Merea Warere and Ngoki Maruapu (P. R. Hughes, for the applicants)	Mangawhero No. 3.
78	Maaka P. Patene (for Paora Hikaiti, Mere Hikaiti, and others) ..	Tiritiri No. 2A.
79	Te Wani Epiha (by his solicitor)	Te Awaiti No. 1H No. 2.
80	Mita Watene and Kataraina Matene	Ngataipua No. 1.
81	Tio Horomona	Horahia-Opou No. 2B.
82	Paora Tiunga, Tangiwai te Kiri, Aritonatona te Kiri, Rikirangi Tiunga, and others	Kopuarahi No. 3D.
83	Hera Tuhirae and others	Omahu West No. 2.
84	Maaka P. Patene (agent for Tame Hoani, <i>alias</i> Tame Matehaere, and others)	Waihou West No. 4C.
85	Maaka P. Patene (agent for Tame Hoani, <i>alias</i> Tame Matehaere, and others)	Te Awaiti No. 1J.
86	Rikirangi Tiunga and others	Tiritiri No. 2B.
87	Pirimona Watene and others	Ngarua No. 5A.
88	Tmi te Rua, Hutana Karapuha, Rawiri te Wakaiti, Moana Roa Parata, Mita Titipa, Puti Pepene, and others	Okauia Nos. 3 and 4.
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ADJOURNED APPLICATIONS.		
89	Tupotiki	Hikuhikuawa.
90	Ni Marata Meneta, Aramata Kere, and Rehara te Riuroa ..	Moehau No. 1G.
91	Wikitoria Rangipiki	Moehau No. 2B.
92	Meteria Papahuaki and Tupotahi	Tihiouou.
93	Hamiara Mangakahia	Pungapunga No. 3.
94	Frederick Earl	Pungapunga No. 1.
95	Frederick Earl	Pungapunga No. 3.
96	Akinihi Pirihi	Totarawahakaturia No. 2.
97	Akinihi Pirihi	Moehau No. 2B.
98	Akinihi Pirihi	Hikuhikuawa.
99	Akinihi Pirihi	Tihiouou.
100	Akinihi Pirihi	Moehau No. 1H.
101	Akinihi Pirihi	Moehau No. 1G.
102	Hoani Nahe, Winiata Whaiapu, and Ngapari Whaiapu ..	Moehau No. 1M.
103	Paraku Rapana, Morehu te Putu, Papu Takitaki, and others ..	Moehau No. 2B.
104	Huhana Rangituia and H. Kapene	Moehau No. 2B.
105	Wiremu Taurua	Moehau No. 1K.
106	Ropata Ngatai	Harataunga West No. 1.
107	Takeri te Putu and Morehu te Putu	Moehau A No. 2.
108	Wikitoria Rangipiki and others	Moehau No. 2B.
109	Ropata Ngatai	Harataunga No. 2.
NEW APPLICATIONS.		
110	Ropata Ngatai	Harataunga No. 2.
111	Ropata Ngatai	Harataunga No. 3.
112	Morehu te Putu	Papaaroha.
113	Hapimana Hikihiki and Miria te Ko (or Huirama)	Kauanga-Whenuakite No. 2.
114	Rihitoto Mataia	Moehau No. 3A (Te Whau Reserve).
115	Hone Ngatara and Makareta Amokura	Harataunga No. 2.

APPLICATIONS TO DETERMINE RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
ADJOURNED APPLICATION.		
1021	Tupara Konui	Te Amooterangi No. 1.
NEW APPLICATIONS.		
1022	Tamehana Peeke, Wharengaro Peeke, Tanuku Hikaiti, and others	Tiritiri No. 7.
1023	Tatare Wakapaea (for Kareti Himona)	Waihi? (Waiiau).
1024	Hutana Karapuha	Te Aroha, Block IX, Section 30A.
1025	Hutana Karapuha	Te Aroha, Block XII, Section 30.
1026	Hutana Karapuha	Te Aroha, Block XII, Section 28.
1027	T. H. Tarakawa	Ohinemuri No. 17H, Section 2.
1028	Hiria Reweti, Ema Reweti, and Meri Reweti	Ngaromaki.
1029	Hapimana Hikihiki	Kauanga-Whenuakite No. 2.

APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1030	Te Tarapa Maaka	Pukemako No. 3E and No. 3F.

APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 39 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Nature of Application.
1031	Tiwai Paraone, Awatapu Paraone, Merepeka te Ope, Moanaroa te Ope, and others	Waitakaruru No. 1A ..	Application for inclusion of certain persons who were omitted from the original list for the said land.
1032	Hikori Rawiri, Tamaiwhiua Rawiri, and Ani Perepetua Rawiri	Tieke Nos. 1 and 2 ..	Application for inclusion of their names in the lists of owners in the said lands.
1033	Tuta Ngarimu	Harataunga East Nos. 2A and 2B	Application to have the orders for the said blocks amended.

APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (9) OF SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR ISSUE OF AN INJUNCTION AGAINST CUTTING, DEALING WITH, OR SELLING TIMBER.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1034	Hamiora Whakakoro	Pungapunga No. 2B.

MATTER REFERRED BY THE CHIEF JUDGE TO THE COURT FOR SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY.

No.	Name of Land.	Nature of Reference.
1035	Awaiti No. 1A	Objection lodged by Paora Tiunga to decision given on the 26th day of March, 1906, by Mr. James Mackay, acting as arbitrator in dispute over alleged road through block.

MATTERS REFERRED BY THE CHIEF JUDGE FOR INQUIRY AND REPORT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 49 OF "THE NATIVE LAND LAWS AMENDMENT ACT, 1895."

No.	Name of Land.	Matter for Inquiry and Report.
1036	Ngarua No. 1B	Application to correct the succession-order to the interest of Tiahuia Pakeke, made 31st July, 1902, in the said land.
1037	Pukateawainui No. 1	Application for right of way over the said land.
1038	Personal estate of Tereha Kahutopuni	For inquiry and report as to what amendment should be made in the order appointing successors to the personality of Tereha Kahutopuni, deceased.
1039	Te Iwituroa Block	For inquiry and report whether any, and, if any, what, amendments should be made in the orders made on investigation of title to the said land.
1040	Moebau No. 1G, Waiaro Rabui	To inquire into the matter of the petition of Haora Tareranui re discrepancy in area of block, and to report to the Chief Judge thereon.

APPLICATION TO ASSESS THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION PAYABLE TO OWNERS OF NATIVE LAND TAKEN BY PROCLAMATION UNDER "THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1894," FOR THE THAMES RIFLE RANGE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Block.	Area taken.
1041	The Minister for Public Works	Mangakirikiri No. 3B	13 acres.

APPLICATION TO ASSESS THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION PAYABLE FOR LAND TAKEN FOR A GRAVEL-PIT.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Area taken.
1042	The Ohinemuri County Council (by their solicitors, Porritt and Mueller)	Orangipirau No. 1	6a. Or. 36p.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 51 OF "THE NATIVE LAND LAWS AMENDMENT ACT, 1895," FOR APPOINTMENT OF NEW EXECUTOR.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Estate of.
1043	Hobepa Mataitaua and Mereana Taipari	Wiropo Hotereni Taipari.

AUTHORITY AND DIRECTION TO THE COURT UNDER SECTION 6 OF "THE MAORI LAND CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT AND LAWS AMENDMENT ACT, 1904."

No.	Name of Block.	Nature of Authority and Direction.
1045	Ohinemuri Survey District, Block V, Section 1	The Court is hereby authorised and directed to ascertain who are the persons entitled to the land known as Section 1, Block V, Ohinemuri Survey District, containing 100 acres, more or less, under and in pursuance of a promise made in the year 1880, in connection with a boundary dispute affecting the Hikutaia Block, and to make order or orders accordingly. Every such order shall be deemed to be an order of the Court made on investigation of title, and shall be dealt with accordingly.

APPLICATIONS FOR SURVEY CHARGING ORDERS.

No.	Name of Surveyor.	Name of Land.	Area.	Amount.
			A. R. P.	£ s. d.
1046	P. E. Cheal	Hoeotainui North No. 4	118 3 13	24 9 10
1047	Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland	Puhangateuru No. 1B	201 0 0	11 9 8
1048	Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland	Puhangateuru No. 2B	232 2 16	16 17 5
1049	Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland	Puhangateuru No. 3B	136 2 20	14 15 9
1050	Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland	Otakawe No. 1B	180 0 1	12 7 9
1051	Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland	Otakawe No. 2B	47 0 0	5 14 10
1052	Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland	Otakawe No. 3B	101 0 0	7 12 8
1053	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 1	292 3 21	14 17 5
1054	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 2	115 0 20	14 7 2
1055	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 3	54 0 5	11 17 4
1056	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 4	113 1 8	23 6 9
1057	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 5	1 3 20	1 4 6
1058	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 6	14 1 37	3 0 11
1059	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 7	16 1 20	6 18 7
1060	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 8	11 1 2	2 0 11
1061	Thomas John Mountain	Tiritiri No. 9	3 2 28	3 16 3
1062	Thomas John Mountain	Kopuarahi No. 1	1,020 0 0	66 18 4
1063	Thomas John Mountain	Ngataipua No. 1	772 2 11	74 4 9
1064	Thomas John Mountain	Makumaku No. 5E	30 1 10	13 3 6
1065	Thomas John Mountain	Makumaku No. 5F	20 0 26	9 11 8
1066	W. Charles C. Spencer	Kowhai No. 2 (or Tupuke)	18 1 31	5 0 0
1067	A. L. Foster	Pungapunga No. 2c .. .. .	.. .. .	31 2 5

APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 65 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," THAT A DEFINED PORTION OF LAND MAY BE VESTED IN APPLICANT, IN LIEU OF SURVEY COSTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount due.
			£ s. d.
1068	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Ohinemuri, Block 17A, Section 2	35 10 0
1069	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Amo-o-te-Rangi No. 1	2 0 0
1070	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Arero	4 12 0
1071	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Arero No. 2	4 4 0
1072	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Awaiti No. 3	2 16 8
1073	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Awaiti No. 4	11 6 6
1074	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Awaiti No. 5	9 8 9
1075	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Awaiti No. 6	2 16 8
1076	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Awaiti No. 7	2 16 8
1077	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Hape No. 3A	3 8 7
1078	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Hape No. 3c1	0 2 9
1079	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Hape No. 3c2	1 18 10
1080	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Hape No. 3c3	0 16 7
1081	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Horete No. 3A	5 10 2
1082	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Iwituaroa	6 6 6
1083	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Karioi No. 4	5 5 0
1084	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Kaipapaka	0 5 0
1085	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Komata North No. 1B, Section 7 North	1 8 6
1086	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Kopi	4 0 0
1087	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Mangakirikiri South 3B	3 0 0
1088	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Mihi	0 5 0
1089	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Motutete	5 12 0
1090	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Ngamoko-Te Hape No. 3E	0 1 6
1091	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Ngamoko-Te Hape No. 3W	1 9 6
1092	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Ngarewha	15 9 5
1093	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Ohuamuri No. 2A	10 3 0
1094	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Okakaro	13 12 3
1095	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Omania	0 15 0
1096	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Pakikau-o-whai	4 0 0
1097	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Papa	6 0 0
1098	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Parehuia No. 2B	3 18 6
1099	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Parehuia No. 2C	4 0 6
1100	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Piripawa No. 2	7 4 0
1101	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Pouarua-Pipiroa No. 1B	11 13 0

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No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Amount due.
1102	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Pouarua-Pipiroa No. 1c	£ s. d. 2 7 9
1103	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Pukehue No. 1	0 5 0
1104	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Pukehue No. 2	0 5 0
1105	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Pukehau No. 2	4 4 0
1106	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Rauhuia	6 9 4
1107	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Rei-o-Manga No. 1	0 5 0
1108	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Rei-o-Manga No. 2	0 5 0
1109	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Roto No. 1	4 12 0
1110	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tapuaurerahi No. 1	1 10 0
1111	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tapuaurerahi No. 2	2 10 0
1112	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tapuaurerahi No. 3	2 10 0
1113	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tapuaurerahi No. 4	3 14 8
1114	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Taurangakawau No. 1	0 5 0
1115	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tihikauere	0 15 0
1116	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tikorangi No. 2	4 12 3
1117	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tikorangi No. 2A	2 15 2
1118	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tongarewa A No. 2	8 12 1
1119	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2D	1 0 0
1120	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 1A	0 17 6
1121	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 1B	4 0 0
1122	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2A	1 17 6
1123	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2B	1 17 6
1124	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2C	1 0 0
1125	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2E	1 0 0
1126	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2F	1 0 0
1127	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2G	1 0 0
1128	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tuitahi No. 2H	1 0 0
1129	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waiari No. 2 North and South	3 3 0
1130	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waiharakeke East No. 1c	36 12 10
1131	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waiharakeke East No. 2	7 4 6
1132	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waiharakeke East No. 3A	9 16 1
1133	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waiharakeke West No. 2A	10 18 5
1134	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waikoata	8 0 0
1135	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Wairahaki No. 1B	7 15 0
1136	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Wairahaki No. 1C	2 1 7
1137	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Wairahaki No. 1D	1 10 0
1138	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Wairahaki No. 2	1 18 4
1139	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Wekarau	0 5 0
1140	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Whauwhaupounamu	0 10 0
1141	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Ahuroa No 1c	7 4 0

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1142	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Harataunga West No. 8	1 0 0
1143	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Huhurahi	13 10 8
1144	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Kauanga	2 0 0
1145	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Kuaotunu No. 1c	7 10 0
1146	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Kuaotunu No. 4	15 0 0
1147	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Kuaotunu No. 5	6 0 0
1148	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Kuaotunu No. 6	6 0 0
1149	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 2A2	126 11 6
1150	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 2B	96 13 8
1151	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 2B1	2 15 3
1152	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 2D	7 9 7
1153	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 3A	2 18 10
1154	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 3B	0 10 6
1155	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 3D	0 13 10
1156	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Moehau No. 3E3	0 10 8
1157	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Okahutia	9 2 0
1158	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Otakeao No. 1B	2 17 4
1159	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Piripiri	2 2 0
1160	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Purunui	1 1 0
1161	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tihouou	25 11 0
1162	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Tihikonui	8 1 0
1163	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Kouma No. 3 and Inata	40 17 7
1164	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Te Kouma No. 4	11 18 0
1165	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waikanae No. 3	21 4 10
1166	The Chief Surveyor, Auckland Land District	Waikanae No. 4	26 14 10

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
ADJURED APPLICATIONS.				
1167	Transfer	26th July, 1905	Karongaronga North	Hikori Rawiri, Tamaiwhiua Rawiri, Ani Perepetua Rawiri, all of Thames, to George Cribb, of Te Puriri.
1168	Lease	9th September, 1898	Moehau No. 1k	Huihana Rangitua and Makoare te Ahoroa (in their own right and as successors to Pu Kapihana, Wiremu Taurua, and Hamiora Whakakoro), all of Coromandel, to John George Ward, also of Coromandel.
1169	Transfer of right of way	19th November, 1901	Pungapunga No. 2B	Hamiora Whakakoro, of Whangapoua, to James Reid, of Auckland.

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No.	Nature of Alienation	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
NEW APPLICATIONS.				
1170	Transfer	25th August, 1900 ..	Piraaurahi No. 3B ..	Wiremu Ngarewa, Ihipera Ruiha, Mereia Wikiriwhi, Noko Pakara, Te Ironui Tukotahi, Epiha Tara, and Haira te Pubi, to John Buchannan, of Paeroa.
1171	Transfer	12th November, 1906	Te Kari West No. 1 ..	Annie Cook, Hanaræeta Cook, William Herewini, Agnes Binney, and Eraua Marara, to Samuel John Bagnall.

LAND REFERRED TO THE NATIVE LAND COURT FOR INQUIRY UNDER SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

In pursuance of an Order in Council dated the 7th day of February, 1907, declaring that it will be within the jurisdiction of the Native Land Court to determine whether or not the land set forth in the Schedule hereto, or any part thereof, was, upon partition, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such land, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such land, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection (10) of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is hereby notified that at a sitting of the Native Land Court to be held at Paeroa on the 14th day of May, 1907, and succeeding days, the Court will proceed to inquire into the above case in accordance with the terms of the said Order in Council.

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Land.	District.	Particulars.
1172	Awaiti No. 2	Thames	All that parcel of land containing 3,000 acres, more or less, situate at Thames, in the Provincial District of Auckland, and known as Awaiti No. 2, as comprised in partition order dated the 21st day of September, 1896.

LAND REFERRED TO THE NATIVE LAND COURT FOR INQUIRY UNDER SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894."

In pursuance of an Order in Council dated the 1st day of January, 1907, declaring that it shall be within the jurisdiction of the Native Land Court to determine whether or not the land set forth in the Schedule hereto, or any part thereof, was, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such land, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such land, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection (10) of section 14 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is hereby notified that at a sitting of the Native Land Court to be held at Paeroa on the 14th day of May, 1907, and succeeding days, the Court will proceed to inquire into the above case, in accordance with the terms of the said Order in Council.

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Land.	District.	Particulars.
1173	Kaikahu No. 3	Thames	All that parcel of land containing 300 acres, more or less, situate at Thames, in the Provincial District of Auckland, and known as Kaikahu No. 3.

Application for Confirmation Certificate under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 20th April, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been made to a Judge of the Court for a certificate under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienation hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificate must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice.

[Gisborne, 1907-16.]

HAROLD CARR, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Mortgage	8th April, 1907 ..	Tahoka, 2, 4, 5, and Taruheru F. G. H. L.	Mahaki Paraone and Rawhiti Paraone to the Public Trustee.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Masterton.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 22nd April, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Masterton on the 1st day of May, 1907, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

[Wellington, 1907-14.]

E. A. WELCH, Registrar

SCHEDULE.
APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
346	Lease	1st April, 1907 ..	Rangitoto No. 10A ..	Wirihana Tikapa te Aooterangi and others to Hugh Gully.
347	Lease	1st April, 1907 ..	Rangitoto No. 9 ..	Aribia Rei and others to Hugh Gully.
348	Lease	1st April, 1907 ..	Rangitoto No. 7 ..	Hira Rene and others to Edmund Percy Bunny.
349	Lease	9th August, 1906 ..	Rangitoto No. 6 ..	Ruta Rene and others to John Laird Morrison.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
350	Piripi Waaka (by his solicitor, W. G. Beard)	Ngapuketuru No. 6.
351	Wiramina Kingi	Hinana No. 1A.
352	Akuhata Mikaera and others	Ahitainga No. 5.
353	Rawinia Hamuera	Mangaakuta.
354	Waata Paraone	Te Oreore No. 1.

APPLICATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
369	Wirihana Tikapa te Aooterangi	Rangitoto No. 10A.
370	Hira Pene and others	Rangitoto No. 7.
371	Aribia Rei and others	Rangitoto No. 9.
372	Rehu Matini, otherwise Raukura Matini (by her solicitor, H. C. Robinson)	Papawai No. 5.

Sitting of the Native Land Court at Wellington.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 24th April, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Wellington on the 2nd day of May, 1907, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which application has been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

[Wellington, 1907-15.]

E. A. WELCH, Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 91 OF "THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1905."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Approximate Area of each of the Parcels of Land taken.	Being Section or Portion of Sections.	Situated in Block	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan	Nature of Application.
1	The Johnsonville Town Board (W. 138-175, 3/87)	A. R. P.	Lot 7 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Blue	To ascertain the amount of compensation to be paid to the Native owners of, and other persons interested in, the said lands taken under section 91 of "The Public Works Act, 1905," for the purposes of a recreation-ground; to ascertain also who are the proper persons to whom such compensation should be paid.
		1 0 0	Lot 8 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Yellow	
		1 1 0	Lot 9 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Blue	
		1 0 0	Lot 10 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Yellow	
		1 0 0	Lot 11 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Blue	
		0 3 37.5	Lot 12 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Red	
		3 2 6.7	Lot 25 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Red	
		7 0 28.8	Lot 22 of Section 8, Porirua District	XI	Belmont	R. 6112	Blue	

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

Order under Section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT OF NEW ZEALAND.

In the matter of an application under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," by Kingi Omeka, to amend the order of investigation of Rangitoto-Tuhua No. 36 (Tiroa) Block, and to consequentially amend all other orders founded upon such order of investigation.

WHEREAS the above application has been referred by me to the Native Land Court for inquiry and report, and the same has been duly reported on:

And whereas by error the name of Te Kopu Omeka was inserted in the said order of investigation and in the subsequent partitions of the said land:

And whereas the proper names to have been inserted in such order and partitions, instead of the name so by error inserted, are Te Kingi te Omeka, 1 share; Te Koea te Omeka, 1 share; Tukemata te Omeka, 1 share; and Te Wera te Omeka, 1 share:

Now, therefore, for the purpose of rectifying the said error, and in exercise of the power in that behalf vested in me by section 39 aforesaid, I hereby order that the said order of investigation be amended by deleting the name of Te Kopu te Omeka as an owner, and by substituting in lieu thereof the names of Te Kingi te Omeka, 1 share; Te Koea te Omeka, 1 share; Tukemata te Omeka, 1 share; and Te Wera te Omeka, 1 share; and that all other orders of the Court founded upon the said order of investigation be amended accordingly.

As witness my hand, this 18th day of April, 1907.

JACKSON PALMER, Chief Judge.

Application under Section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," dismissed.

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 18th April, 1907.

IT is hereby notified that the application of Hori Ngatai Ruihi, under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the inclusion of the name of his daughter (Ngaraïma Ngatai) in the list of owners of the Rangitoto-Tuhua No. 64 Block is hereby dismissed, and leave is granted to the said applicant to appeal from this decision within fourteen days from the date of publication hereof in the *Gazette*.

JACKSON PALMER, Chief Judge.

Application under Section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," dismissed.

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 18th April, 1907.

IT is hereby notified that the application of Jeremiah Ormsby, under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the inclusion of the names of Rangiterewai te Pakaru and others of the *uri* of Tuhoro in the list of owners of the Rangitoto-Tuhua No. 64 Block is hereby dismissed, and leave is granted to the said applicant to appeal from this decision within fourteen days from the date of publication hereof in the *Gazette*.

JACKSON PALMER, Chief Judge.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.*In Bankruptcy.*

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends are now payable in the undermentioned estates on all proved claims. Promissory notes (if any) to be produced for indorsement prior to receipt of dividend:—

Arnold Hare, of Auckland, Engineer: First and final, 20s. in the pound.

H. Sangster, Te Awamutu, Baker: First and final, 10s. in the pound.

B. R. Keesing, Auckland, Commission Agent: First and final, 7s. 7½d. in the pound.

T. Sowden, Ponsonby, Carpenter: First and final, 7s. 0½d. in the pound.

S. Walker, Dargaville, Hotelkeeper: First and final, 6s. 11½d. in the pound.

W. H. Kob, Henderson, Storekeeper: First dividend, 6s. 8d. in the pound.

J. W. M. Singleton, Pirongia, Storekeeper: First dividend, 5s. 9d. in the pound.

D. Maxwell, Mercer, Blacksmith and Farmer: Supplementary, 5s. in the pound, making in all 6s. 1½d. in the pound.

D. D. Lannan, Paeroa, Storekeeper: First and final, 2s. 4½d. in the pound.

E. Patterson, Te Aroha, Plumber: First and final, 2s. 2½d. in the pound.

R. K. Davis, Auckland, Accountant: First and final, 1s. 5d. in the pound.

T. E. W. Skelton, Ngaruawahia, Gum-dealer: First and final, 1s. 2½d. in the pound.

Private Assignments.

B. W. Hamilton, Waingaro, Storekeeper: First dividend, 12s. 6d. in the pound.

D. G. Lane, Rawene, Storekeeper: First and final, 12s. in the pound.

J. P. Paulson, Mangere Bridge, Storekeeper: First and final, 10s. in the pound.

T. McConnell, Auckland, Tailor: First and final, 2s. 6d. in the pound.

E. GÉRARD,
Official Assignee.

Auckland, 11th April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy. — In the District Court, holden at New Plymouth.

NOTICE is hereby given that Otto Huse, of Tataraimaka, Taranaki, Stonemason, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 24th day of April, 1907, at 11 o'clock a.m.

J. S. S. MEDLEY,
Deputy Official Assignee.

16th April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy.

In the estate of F. W. RICHMOND, Solicitor, of New Plymouth.

NOTICE is hereby given that a second and final dividend, of 2½d. in the pound, is now payable at my office on all proved and accepted claims.

J. S. S. MEDLEY,
Deputy Official Assignee.

17th April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy. — In the District Court, holden at New Plymouth.

NOTICE is hereby given that LOUIS DAVID CALLAGHAN, of New Plymouth, Carpenter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 29th day of April, 1907, at 11 o'clock a.m.

J. S. S. MEDLEY,
Deputy Official Assignee.

22nd April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends in the under-mentioned estates are now payable at my office, Gladstone Road:—

William Henry Jones: First, of 4s. in the pound.
Humphreys and Son: Second and final, of 10½d. in the pound.
W. O. Skeet: First and final, of 2s. 3½d. in the pound.
M. E. Beavis: Second and final, of 8d. in the pound.

JOHN COLEMAN,
Deputy Assignee.

Gisborne, 20th April, 1907.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JAMES CAMPBELL, of Hastings, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Hastings, on Thursday, the 25th day of April, 1907, at 11 o'clock.

T. S. RONALDSON,
Acting Deputy Official Assignee.

Napier, 16th April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy.

In the estate of WILLIAM HOGG, of Wanganui, Builder.

NOTICE is hereby given that a first and final dividend, of 3s. 1d. in the pound, is now payable at my office on all proved and accepted claims.

W. RODWELL,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 18th April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that WALTER HENRY DENBY, Farmer, of Upper Plain, Masterton, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Masterton, on Wednesday, the 24th day of April, 1907, at 11 o'clock a.m.

W. B. CHENNELLS,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Masterton, 16th April, 1907.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ANDREW MORRIS, of Ashburton, Threshing-machine Proprietor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 22nd day of April, 1907, at 11 o'clock a.m.

JOHN DAVISON,
Deputy Official Assignee.

15th April, 1907.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Timaru and Oamaru, holden at Timaru.

NOTICE is hereby given that THOMAS MURRAY, of Timaru, Painter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, at Arcade, Timaru, on Wednesday, the 1st day of May, 1907, at 11 o'clock.

ALEX. MONTGOMERY,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Timaru, 19th April, 1907.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that PHILIP CHARLES PLATO, of Balclutha, Boardinghouse-keeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 26th day of April, 1907, at 2.30 o'clock.

C. C. GRAHAM,
Official Assignee.

Dunedin, 15th April, 1907.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM JOHN GILFILLAN, formerly of Waikais, now of parts unknown, Fluxmiller, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Waikais, on Monday, the 6th day of May, 1907, at 7 o'clock p.m.

16th April, 1907.

J. LATHAM,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ELIZABETH MATHESON AITKEN, of Gore, Boardinghouse-keeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 26th day of April, 1907, at 2 o'clock.

16th April, 1907.

J. LATHAM,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ARCHIBALD HENDERSON AITKEN, of Gore, Agent, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 26th day of April, 1907, at 2 o'clock.

16th April, 1907.

J. LATHAM,
Deputy Official Assignee.

MINING NOTICES.

NOTICE.

IN pursuance of "The Companies Act, 1903," notice is hereby given that the Office or place of business in New Zealand of the DAY DAWN AND NORFOLK MINES (LIMITED), a company duly incorporated in England, is at No. 205 Victoria Arcade, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland, where legal process of any kind may be served upon the said company and notices of any kind may be addressed or delivered.

M. J. LYNCH,
Attorney in New Zealand of the Day Dawn
and Norfolk Mines (Limited).

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NOTICE.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1903"; and in the matter of the Dunstan Lead Gold-dredging Company (Limited), (in liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of shareholders of the above-named company will be held in my office, No. 37 Bond Street, Dunedin, on Monday, the 13th day of May, 1907, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of having a certified account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up of the company has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by me as Liquidator; and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the liquidator, shall be disposed of.

Dated at Dunedin, this 18th day of April, 1907.

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JAS. BROWN,
Liquidator of the above-named Company.

THE JUNCTION ELECTRIC GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Junction Electric Gold-dredging Company (Limited) held at the Stock Exchange, Princes Street, Dunedin, on the 19th April, 1907, the following extraordinary resolution was unanimously carried:—

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the shareholders that the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and it is advisable to wind up the same, and that it be wound up accordingly; and that Mr. R. T. WHEELER be appointed Liquidator."

Dunedin, 20th April, 1907.

R. T. WHEELER,
Liquidator.

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UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1905."

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE FOR A WATER-RACE.

To the Warden of the Hauraki Mining District, at Thames.

PURSUANT to "The Mining Act, 1905," the undersigned, Charles Edward Storie, of Auckland, Mining Engineer, hereby applies for a license for a water-race as specified in the Schedule hereto, the course whereof has been duly marked out for the purpose.

Date and number of miner's right: 14th November, 1906; No. 1453.

Address for service: Care of Edwin Clendon, Solicitor, Thames.

Dated at Thames, this 12th day of April, 1907.

SCHEDULE.

Locality of the race and of its starting and terminal points: Situate at Waiomo in Block XIV, Hastings Survey District, being the race formerly held under License No. 372. Commencing at a point marked — on the Waiomo Stream about 10 chains below its junction with the Paroquet Creek, and terminating at a point marked — near the Waiomo Bridge, marked out on 12th April, 1907, at noon. Pegs marked —. A plan of such race is deposited in the Warden's Office, Thames.

Length and intended course of race: 110 chains; westerley.

Points of intake: Starting-point.

Estimated time and cost of construction: Six months; £1,500.

Eight heads to be conveyed in an iron pipe 16 in. in diameter.

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

Proposed term of license: Forty-two years.

CHARLES EDWARD STORIE
(By his Solicitor, EDWIN CLENDON),
Applicant.

Precise time of filing of the foregoing application: 12th April, 1907, at 3.55 p.m.

Time and place appointed for the hearing of the application and all objections thereto: Friday, 3rd May, 1907, at 10.30 a.m., at Warden's Court, Thames.

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

C. V. ROBERTS,
Pro Mining Registrar.

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STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

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

When formed, and date of registration: 24th December, 1902. Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Waikaka Valley; Alexander Mutch.

Nominal capital: £6,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,000.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same: £6,000.

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

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

Number of shares allotted: 6,000.

Amount paid per share: £1.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 8.

Present number of shareholders: 7.

Number of men employed by company: 10.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1.605 oz. 6 dwt.; £6,397 13s. 10d.

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 4,990 oz. 13 dwt.; £19,915 10s.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,824 11s. 5d.

Total expenditure since registration: £18,596 6s. 6d.

Total amount of dividends declared during preceding year: £2,929 13s. 2d.

Total amount of dividends paid during preceding year: £2,929 13s. 2d.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £975 1s. 4d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of debts owing by company: £236 2s. 6d.

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

I, Alexander Mutch, the Manager of the Argyle Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1906; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ALEX. MUTCH,
Manager.

Declared at Gore, this 6th day of March, 1907, before me — Andrew Martin, J.P. 496

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hydraulic Motor Dredging Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: February, 1904.

Whether in active operation or not:

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager and Secretary: Waipori; William O'Brien, jun.

Nominal capital: £300.

Amount of capital subscribed: £300.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £300.

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

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

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 300.

Number of shares allotted: 300.

Amount paid per share: £1.

Amount called up per share: £1.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited:

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

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.

Present number of shareholders: 7.

Number of men employed by company: 3.

Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year:

Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 463 oz. 14 dwt. 4 gr.; £1,785 4s. 8d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:

Total expenditure since registration: £1,767 4s. 7d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: Nil (*Dr.* £7 9s. 4d.).

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of debts owing by company: £406 6s. 8d.

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

I, William O'Brien, jun., of Waipori, the Secretary of the Hydraulic Motor Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1906; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. O'BRIEN, JUN.,
Secretary.

Declared at Waipori, this 19th day of April, 1907, before me—J. W. Knight, J.P. 498

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the South Brunner Colliery Company (Limited) held on the 18th day of April, 1907, an extraordinary resolution was duly passed for winding up the said company voluntarily.

Dated the 19th day of April, 1907.

F. WILSON SMITH,
Solicitor for the Liquidator of the said Company.

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In the matter of the Junction Electric Gold-dredging Company (Limited), (in liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given that the creditors of the above-named company are required, on or before the 9th day of May, 1907, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors (if any), to RICHARD THOMAS WHEELER, Colonial Mutual Buildings, Dunedin, the Liquidator of the said company; and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 20th day of April, 1907.

R. T. WHEELER,

502 Liquidator of the above-named Company.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

EVIDENCE of the loss of certificate of title, Vol. 105, folio 134, in favour of EMILY ISABEL GEE, of Auckland, Spinster, of Lot 10, Section 64, of part of Allotment 35, Section 8, Suburbs of Auckland, having been lodged with me, and application made to issue a provisional certificate of title, notice is hereby given of my intention to issue a provisional certificate of title accordingly at the expiration of fourteen days after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1907.

EDWIN BAMFORD,

495 District Land Registrar.

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

4356. ANDREW KELLY. — Part of Allotments 7, 8, Parish of Waikomiti, containing 200 acres 1 rood 1 perch. Occupied by Applicant.

4408. ELLEN FLAVELL. — Northern portion of the Moeatua Block, also known as Allotment 144, Parish of Waipipi, containing 126 acres 3 roods. Occupied by Applicant.

4424. MARY ANN ROUT. — Allotments 163, 164, 169, 171, Town of Cambridge West, containing together 4 acres. Occupied by Applicant.

4443. HERBERT MAYNE SMEETON. — Part of Lots 9, 10, of Allotments 9 and others, Section 10, Suburbs of Auckland, including part of Sydenham Road, containing 2 roods 21·8 perches. Occupied by Applicant and his tenant.

4458. DANIEL O'CONNOR. — Part of Allotments 23 and 58, Parish of Wairoa, containing 445 acres 2 roods 19 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

4461. SAMUEL LUTHER HIRST. — Allotment 154 and part of Allotment 155, Section 10, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 29 acres 1 rood 18 perches. Unoccupied.

4463. HAROLD COOP. — Allotment 224, Town of Hamilton East, containing 1 acre and 1 perch. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 20th day of April, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,

506 District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional license for Section 1, Block XVI, Mangaturo Survey District, whereof WILLIAM BASSETT is the registered Licensee, and being all the land comprised in License No. 3148, and in Vol. 6L, folio 156, of the Register-book, and a statutory declaration of the loss of the original license having been lodged with me, I hereby give notice that I will issue such provisional license unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 13th day of May, 1907.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Napier, this 18th day of April, 1907.

F. ASPINALL,

500 Deputy District Land Registrar.

NOTICE is hereby given that the parcel of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," and its amendments, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 25th day of May, 1907.

3984. WILLIAM AGATE ELLIS. — 579 acres and 32 perches, parts Blocks VIII and XIV and accretion fronting on Rangitikei River, Rangitikei Agricultural Reserve. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,

District Land Registrar.

510

APPLICATION having been made to me to register a re-entry by the SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS FOR THE WELLINGTON PROVINCIAL DISTRICT, as Lessors under Memorandum of Lease 4744, affecting Sections 137 and 176, Township of Raetihi, comprised in certificates of title, Vol. 91, folios 241 and 248, of which ANN COTTRILL is the registered Lessee, I hereby give notice that I will register the re-entry as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 25th day of May, 1907.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,

District Land Registrar.

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

1411. ANN RANDALL DANIELL and MARY DANIELL. — 4 acres 2 roods 2 perches, Sections 525, 526, 527, and part of 527A, City of Nelson. Occupied by Applicants.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of April, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

W. W. DE CASTRO,

Assistant District Land Registrar.

503

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.

10452. MARY OXBY. — Containing 2 acres 3 roods 24·7 perches, being part of Rural Section 1701, Borough of Timaru. Occupied by Applicant.

10486. CATHERINE THOMSON. — Containing 5 acres and 25 perches, being part of Rural Section 7601, Block VI, Rolleston Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,

District Land Registrar.

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PRIVATE ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership hitherto existing between ARTHUR HORNE and JAMES ELLIOTT, carrying on business at Hastings, Hawke's Bay, as Saddlers and Harness-makers, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

The business will be carried on as usual by the said Arthur Horne.

ARTHUR HORNE,

JAMES ELLIOTT.

Witness—Geo. Ebbett, Solicitor, Hastings.

491

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between THOMAS VINCENT SIMONS and WALTER JONES, carrying on business as Timber-millers at Tariki, under the style or firm of "Simons and Jones," has been dissolved as from the 9th day of March, 1907.

All debts due to and owing by the said late firm will be received and paid respectively by Mr. T. V. Simons, who continues the said business under his own name.

Dated at Inglewood, this 16th day of March, 1907.

WALTER JONES.
T. V. SIMONS.

Witness to signatures—Harold J. M. Thomson, Solicitor, Inglewood. 492

NEW ZEALAND.—"FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1882."

ADVERTISEMENT OF DISSOLUTION BY INSTRUMENT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Wellington Wharf Employees Benefit Society, Register No. 300, held at Wellington, is dissolved by instrument, registered at this office the 16th day of April, 1907, unless, within three months from the date of the Gazette in which this advertisement appears, proceedings be commenced by a member or other person interested in or having any claim on the funds of the society to set aside such dissolution, and the same is set aside accordingly.

ROBT. E. HAYES,
Registrar.

Friendly Societies' Registry Office, 16th day of April, 1907. 494

JOHN PATRICK HASTINGS, Bachelor of Medicine, and Bachelor of Surgery, New Zealand University, 1907, and now residing at Frankton, do hereby give notice that I intend to apply on the 16th day of May, 1907, to have my name placed on the Medical Register of the Colony of New Zealand, and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualifications at the office of the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.

Dated at Dunedin, 16th day of April, 1907.

JOHN PATRICK HASTINGS,
M.B., Ch.B.

499

APPLICATION having been made to me for the issue of a provisional lease in the name of JAMES BUCHANAN, of Gorge Road, Sawmiller, for Sections 50, 53, 54, 57, 58, and 61, Block V, Oteramika Hundred, being the land comprised in Lease No. 3821, registered in Vol. 69, folio 183, Southland Registry, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of the said lease, I hereby give notice that a provisional lease will be issued as requested unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 9th day of May, 1907.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

W. G. TAIT,
Deputy District Land Registrar.

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EMMA IRWIN, Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, 1907; Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, 1907; and Licentiate of the Faculty of Physicians, Glasgow, 1907, and now residing at Waikouaiti, do hereby give notice that I intend to apply on the 19th day of May, 1907, to have my name placed on the Medical Register of the Colony of New Zealand, and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualifications at the office of the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.

Dated at Dunedin, this 19th day of April, 1907.

EMMA IRWIN, L.R.C.P.S.E.

NEW ZEALAND STEEL COMPANY (IN LIQUIDATION).

THE affairs of the above company being fully wound up, a General Meeting will be held at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the 7th May, at the office of the company, 28 His Majesty's Arcade, when all accounts in connection with the liquidation will be submitted to the shareholders.

HENRY A. GORDON,
Liquidator.

Auckland,
19th April, 1907.

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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership lately subsisting between the undersigned, ALFRED HENRY JONES and ALFRED CHARLES MARETT, carrying on business at Napier as "The Universal Furnishing Company," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

All debts due to or owing by the said late firm will be received and paid by the said Alfred Charles Marett, who will continue the business in the same premises.

As witness our hands, this 20th day of April, 1907.

A. H. JONES.
A. C. MARETT.

Witness to signatures—Joseph Cresswell, Solicitor, Napier. 508

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