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Superintendent's Office, Auckland,
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THE subjoined Correspondence, supplementary to that which was published at the request of the Waste Land Board, in the *Provincial Government Gazette*, is published for general information.

WM. BROWN,
Superintendent.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Auckland,
22nd June, 1855.

SIR,—Adverting to your letter of the 11th inst., in which your Honor states that serious injury is being entailed upon this Province through withholding means of payment of the expenses requisite for laying out, sale, and occupation of Waste Lands placed at the disposal of the Waste Land Board, I am directed by the Officer administering the Government to inform you that His Excellency is prepared to sanction the payment of the necessary expenses of the Board by the General Government out of the Land Fund.

In order that this arrangement may be efficiently carried out, I am to request your Honor to state, for His Excellency's information and guidance, what staff will be requisite to carry on the surveys of the Lands placed under the management of the Waste Land Board, and to recommend for appointment proper persons for this service, regard being had to the claims of officers already in the employment of the Survey Department. Should your Honor, however, be of opinion that the surveys can be more economically carried on by contract, then

the expenses will be defrayed by the Treasurer of the Board, on the certificate of the Officers of the Board that the work has been duly and satisfactorily performed, and that a map of the survey has been deposited in the Office of the Waste Land Board.

I have, &c.,
ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary.

His Honor the
Superintendent, Auckland.

Superintendent's Office, Auckland,
June 26, 1855.

SIR,—I have the honor of forwarding to you a copy of a letter addressed by the Colonial Secretary to myself, and to invite your attention to the following observation contained therein:—

“I am to request your Honor to state, for His Excellency's information and guidance, what staff will be requisite to carry on the survey of the lands placed under the management of the Waste Land Board, and to recommend for appointment proper persons for this service, regard being had to the claims of Officers already in the employment of the Survey Department.”

In reference to this observation, I have the honor to enquire whether the services of any of the Officers attached to your department are no longer required by you.

I have, &c.,
WM. BROWN,
Superintendent.

The Surveyor-General,
Auckland.

Surveyor-General's Office,
June 27, 1855.

SIR,—Referring to your Honor's communication of the 26th instant, covering a copy of a letter addressed to you by the Colonial Secretary, dated 22nd June, 1855, I have the honor to state in reply, that I am unable to explain to what the part of the said letter quoted by your Honor has reference, as I have received no communication myself on the subject from the General Government, and also to inform your Honor that the services of all the Officers attached to this department are required to carry on its duties.

I have, &c.,

C. W. LIGAR,
Surveyor-General.

His Honor
the Superintendent.

Superintendent's Office, Auckland,
25th June, 1855.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose for the information of the Waste Land Board the accompanying copy of a letter received by me from the Colonial Secretary, stating that the General Government is prepared to sanction the payment of the necessary expenses of the Waste Land Board.

I have &c ,

WILLIAM BROWN,
Superintendent.

The Secretary,
Waste Land Board.

WASTE LAND BOARD.

RESOLUTION No. 23.

With reference to the letter of His Honor the Superintendent No. 24 and its enclosure, the Board submits that the following staff is required to enable it to carry out with efficiency its present operations.

- 1 Surveyor to supervise contract surveys.
- 2 Draughtsmen.
- 1 Clerk.
- 1 Messenger.

Office accommodation and the contingencies connected therewith.

The Board is of opinion that the system of contract surveying, checked by a supervising Surveyor, will be found to be the best and most economical.

The surveys now most urgently required are the Township at Waingaroa, the Township at the Whau, extension of Township at Mahurangi, Special Occupation Land at Hunua and at Wainui. The Board requests that it may be authorised to incur the necessary expense in having the surveys performed.

READER WOOD,
Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Auckland,
30th June, 1855.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledg

receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant, No. 135, informing me that His Excellency the Officer administering the Government is prepared to sanction the payment of the necessary expenses of the Waste Land Board, by the General Government out of the Land Fund, requesting me to state what staff would be requisite to carry on the surveys of the Lands placed under the management of the Waste Land Board, and to recommend for appointment proper persons for this service, regard being had to the claims of officers already in the employment of the Survey Department. Acting on your communication, I have the honor to recommend for appointment to the staff required for the service of the Waste Land Board the persons named in the margin.

I have also to transmit for your information a copy of a letter of enquiry to the Surveyor-General, and of his answer, by which he informs me that the services of all the officers attached to his department are required to carry on its duties.

I take occasion to observe that in recommending so limited a number of appointments, the expediency of not raising the strength of the staff beyond what is supposed to be required to be performed has been considered. But if, as is possible, that upon actual experience, the staff may prove insufficient to the duties required, I shall in such event inform the General Government, and recommend the fitting increase of number. I have also the honor to transmit copies of the "Provincial Government Gazette," in which are notified the appointments of Messrs. Charles J. Taylor, Joseph May, and George Owen Ormsby, to be Commissioners of the Waste Lands Board, observing that Mr. Ormsby is likewise Provincial Road Surveyor, at a salary of £400 per annum.

I have, &c.,

WM. BROWN,
Superintendent.

The Honorable
The Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Auckland,
2nd July, 1855.

SIR,—Referring to your letter of the 31st ultimo, No. 107, nominating certain gentlemen for appointments on the staff to be attached to the Waste Land Board, I am directed by His Excellency the Officer administering the Government to inform you that it is very desirable your Honor should state what salaries you would recommend should be attached to these appointments.

I have, &c.,

ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary.

His Honour
the Superintendent.

Surveyor—Mr. C. P. O'Rafferty, Civil Engineer,
Auckland.
Draughtsman—Mr. H. N. Warner, Surveyor,
Auckland.
Clerk—Mr. Jas. Foley, Wyndham-st., Auckland.
Messenger—Mr. Patrick Mortimer, Onehunga.

Superintendent's Office, Auckland,
5th July, 1855.

SIR,—With reference to your letter dated 2nd instant, No. 145, informing me that it is very desirable that I should state the salaries I would recommend to be attached to the appointments under the Waste Land Board. I have the honor to recommend the salaries respectively named in the margin.

Chief Com-
missioner .. £400 per annum.
Second ditto .. 300 "
Surveyor .. 400 "
Draughtsman .. 250 "
Clerk .. 200 "
Messenger .. 100 "

I have also the honor to enclose for your information and satisfaction copies of testimonials which have been placed in my possession by Mr. O'Rafferty, whom I have recommended for appointment

I have, &c.,

WM. BROWN,

Superintendent

The Honorable
The Colonial Secretary.

Superintendent's Office,
Auckland, July 12, 1855.

I HEREBY notify for general information that the persons whose names are hereunder written will act from and after this date as a Board of Works, for the purpose of aiding the Provincial Government in the construction and management of the Public Works of this Province.

William Mason, Esq.,
George Owen Ormsby, Esq.,
C. P. O'Rafferty, Esq.,
Daniel Simpson, Esq.,
Samuel Elliott, Esq.,

WM. BROWN,
Superintendent.

Waste Land Board Office,
Auckland, 7th July, 1855.

THE following persons having applied for Depasturing Licenses for defined runs, the description of the runs claimed now lie at this Office for the inspection of any parties concerned.

Name of Applicant.	Situation of Run.
Daniel Pollen	Arerima.
William Edwards	Kaikatea Flats, at the head of the Waitemata.
Thomas Henry	

CHARLES J. TAYLOR,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Waste Land Board Office,
Auckland 12th July, 1855.

ALL persons cutting or removing Timber on and from Crown Lands, without Licenses, are warned that in all cases brought under the notice of the Commissioners of Crown Lands, they will be proceeded against, under the Crown Lands Ordinance.

CHARLES J. TAYLOR,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Waste Lands Board Office,
Auckland, 12th July, 1855.

NOTICE.—Timber Licenses for the current year applied for by the undermentioned persons are now ready for delivery at this office. Parties are requested to take them out forthwith.

John Anderson,	John Long Heydn,
Charles Nolan,	George Followdoun,
Michael Ryan,	William Harris,

CHARLES J. TAYLOR,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

