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## PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

Superintendent's Office,  
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**T**HE following Correspondence is published by direction of His Honour the Superintendent.

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Secretary.

### *I. Correspondence relating to Funds for Education.*

Auckland, 10th February, 1876.

To Honourable Colonial Treasurer,  
Wellington.

Please send two thousand and ninety pounds, for educational purposes, by the fifteenth.

READER WOOD.

(2.) Auckland, 15th February, 1876.

To Secretary to the Treasury,  
Wellington.

No money received to pay school teachers, payable this day.

R. B. LUSK,  
Provincial Accountant.

(3.) Wellington, 16th February, 1876.

To Provincial Accountant,  
Auckland.

Claim for education is under consideration of Commissioners of Audit. Will probably pass to-morrow.

C. T. BATKIN,  
Secy. Treasury.

(4.) Auckland, 18th February, 1876.

To Secretary to the Treasury,  
Wellington.

About one hundred and seventy school teachers waiting for their salaries—don't know what to do with them. Is the money granted?

R. B. LUSK,  
Provincial Accountant.

(5.) Wellington, 18th February, 1876.

To Provincial Treasurer,  
Auckland.

Commissioners of Audit object to issue; matter will be brought before Cabinet on Monday.

C. T. BATKIN,  
Secretary Treasury.

(6.) Auckland, 22nd February, 1876.

To the Honourable the Premier,  
Wellington.

In telegram from the Colonial Treasurer of the 18th instant, we are told that the question of the sum of £2,090, required on the 15th instant for educational purposes, such as payment of teachers' salaries (£1,550), rents of schools, etc., would be brought before the Cabinet yesterday.

As an engagement was entered into by the General Government to pay these amounts, and the non-payment of them is inflicting serious injury on innocent and deserving persons, I earnestly pray that I may be at once informed what the General Government intend to do in this matter.

G. GREY.

(7.) Wellington, 22nd February, 1876.  
To Sir George Grey,  
Auckland.

*Re* education expenditure. I regret we could not decide this matter yesterday. The difficulty was the question of whether it would have to be dealt with as unauthorised expenditure. This difficulty is now overcome, and the money will be telegraphed to Your Honor. I hope to be able to reply tomorrow to telegram about £60,000.

JULIUS VOGEL.

(8.) Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, February 23, 1876.

Sir,—  
With reference to a telegram from the Provincial Treasurer, addressed to the Colonial Treasurer, I have the honour to inform you that the sum of two thousand and ninety pounds, for Educational purposes, will be remitted to you by telegram this day.

I have, &c.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,

In the absence of the Colonial Secretary.

His Honour the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

*II. Correspondence relating to the Unemployed Miners at the Thames.*

(1.) Auckland, January 15, 1876.  
To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

It has been reported here that there are about four hundred men at the Thames out of employment who will shortly have to be maintained out of charity. Telegraph what has come under your observation as regards the facts of this matter. It is also said that Waitekauri road is not progressing as fast as it should do, and cannot be opened by next month.

READER WOOD.

(2.) Grahamstown, January 17, 1876.  
Reader Wood, Esq.,  
Provincial Secretary, Auckland.

I estimate there cannot be less than 300 men out of employment here. They are real miners, who do not come asking Government for work. I have only had one application for work during the last month, and that from an old man. Have no doubt if it was known that any work was to go on there would be plenty of applications. Have just returned from the Waitekauri district, and have made such arrangements that if there is anything like good weather I will be able to let the machinery go through by the tenth of next month.

JAMES M. MCLAREN,  
District Engineer.

(3.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 17th January, 1876.

Sir,—

I have the honour to draw your attention to the fact that, in consequence of the suspension of operations at some of the mines at the Thames, about 300 miners are now out of work, and demands are made upon the Provincial Government for assistance.

In consequence of the stoppage by the General Government of the Goldfields revenue, the Provincial authorities have no means of any kind to meet the

emergency by offering these men employment upon public works.

I beg to suggest to you the propriety of at once incurring some expenditure on public works at the Thames, to prevent distress. Perhaps the work of greatest public utility upon which men can be employed at present would be in improving and opening up the road from Grahamstown to Ohinemuri.

I have, &c.,

READER WOOD,  
For the Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Auckland.

(4.) Office Thames Borough Council,  
January 17th, 1876.

Sir,—

For the information of his Honor the Superintendent, and of his Government, I have the honor to inform you that on a requisition from the inhabitants of this district a public meeting was called by me, and was held on Saturday last. Copy of the requisition and notice in the margin.

At the meeting four resolutions were unanimously agreed to, and of which copies appear in the margin.

It will be seen by the last of these resolutions that the meeting was practically adjourned until next Wednesday.

I most anxiously hope that in the meantime you will put me or some more convenient channel in a position to furnish to the meeting an assurance of the aid of your Government in the matter of the first, second, and third resolutions.

I have, &c.,

J. E. MACDONALD,  
Mayor.

The Provincial Secretary,  
Auckland.

ENCLOSURES.

Grahamstown, January 12th, 1876.

To J. E. Macdonald, Esq.,  
Mayor of the Borough of Thames.

Sir,—

We, the undersigned Miners, residents of the Thames, respectfully solicit that you will call a Public Meeting This Day (Saturday), 15th instant, at 7.30 o'clock, at the Theatre Royal, to take into consideration the present depressed state of the field.

RICHARD WILLIAMS,  
And 39 others.

In compliance with the above requisition, I hereby call a Public Meeting, to be held at the Theatre Royal, Grahamstown, This (Saturday) Evening, at 7.30 o'clock.

W. DAVIES,  
For the Mayor.

Thames, January 13th, 1876.

*Resolved* :—

That in the opinion of this meeting there is now great distress upon this goldfield, owing to the stoppage of the mines and the consequent want of employment.

That this meeting, having heard Messrs. Brown and Mitchell's explanations of the intentions of both Provincial and General Governments, and in view of the existing distress, would most earnestly and respectfully impress upon the Provincial and General Governments the necessity for commencing some public works of such a character as will find employment for those men now out of work until the pressure of the labour market is relieved.

That, in the opinion of this meeting, one of the causes of the present great depression upon this goldfield is, that large areas are held under leases unworked, and they would most earnestly urge the Government to request the proper officer to take steps to forfeit the unworked leased ground.

Mr. T. Shaw moved that a Progress Committee of twelve be appointed, with power to affiliate like committees, in other places, and power to add to their number; such committee to be chosen by this meeting.

There were nineteen names then proposed as members of the committee. They were put severally to the meeting, and the following were elected:— Messrs. John Brown, C. F. Mitchell, W. Davies, W. Rowe, C. A. Cornes, C. Rowley, T. Brighthouse, J. E. Macdonald, R. Harris, P. Nolan, R. Fairbairn, and James McGowan.

Mr. Brown then moved that the Mayor be empowered to convey the foregoing resolutions to Dr. Pollen and Mr. Reader Wood, and to convene a meeting for Wednesday evening at the same time and place.

Mr. Mitchell seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to.

(5.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, 18th January, 1876.

Sir,—

With reference to Mr. Reader Wood's letter of yesterday's date, received by me this morning, suggesting the propriety of at once incurring some expenditure on Public Works at the Thames, to prevent distress amongst the miners now out of employment, I beg to inform your Honour that the Governor will be advised to sanction the expenditure of a sum of One thousand pounds (£1,000), on works for the improvement of the road between Shortland and Ohinemuri.

The money will be remitted in due course, and I venture to express a hope that your Honour will be able, by putting works on the line immediately in hand, to prevent the threatened distress.

I have, etc.,

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honour the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

(6) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 19th January, 1876.

SIR,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 17th instant, forwarding the Resolutions passed at a public meeting at Grahamstown on the 15th instant, in reference to the distress existing on the Goldfield.

The Superintendent has been in communication with the General Government on the subject of incurring immediate expenditure on public works at the Thames, and I have the honour to enclose a copy of a letter received from the Colonial Secretary this day.

I have, &c.,

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Secretary.

His Worship the Mayor,  
Borough of the Thames.

(7) Auckland, 19th January, 1876.  
To James McLaren, Esq.,  
Grahamstown.

General Government have authorised the expenditure of One thousand pounds on road between

Shortland and Ohinemuri. The work to be done under your inspection, by means of small contracts, based upon a moderate valuation by yourself. Work to be well done so as to form part of a permanent road.

READER WOOD.

(8) Auckland, 19th January, 1876.

To W. Rowe, Esq., M.H.R.,  
Thames.

I have received the following letter from the Colonial Secretary:—"The Governor will be advised to sanction the expenditure of a sum of One thousand Pounds on works for the improvement of the road between Shortland and Ohinemuri.—D. POLLEN." Mr. McLaren has been instructed to act.

READER WOOD,  
For the Superintendent.

(9.) Grahamstown, January 19, 1876.

Reader Wood, Esq.,

Provincial Treasurer, Auckland.

*Re* Road Shortland to Ohinemuri—Road passes through native lands nearly all the way, through which, as far as I am aware, no right to make a road has been acquired. The permanent road should go round the base of the hill behind Kopu; present track goes over the ranges, and is far from being a suitable line for a permanent road. Even on this track no right has been acquired. When the late engineer, Mr. Millett, tried to repair it, the natives came out with their spears and turned him off. Though they do not prevent any one from travelling on it, I have not heard that the objections which then existed have been removed. I believe the chief difficulty that has to be overcome is at the commencement of both routes in Parawai, where even if I proceed to make a road I will be stopped till some special arrangements are made. Under these circumstances what will I do?

JAMES M. McLAREN,  
District Engineer.

(10) Auckland, January 20, 1876.

To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

Have seen Pollen; he does not think there should be any difficulty about making the Ohinemuri road. He has telegraphed to Mr. Puckey on the subject, with whom you are to put yourself in communication. Keep me informed from time to time as to progress of events.

READER WOOD.

(11.) Grahamstown, January 25, 1876.

Reader Wood, Esq.,

Provincial Treasurer, Auckland.

Saw Mr. Puckey on Saturday, who had telegraphed to Dr. Pollen that the natives would object. He recommended me to start at Puriri, but not to attempt to pass Hikutaia on the one side, or Kiri-kiri on the other. This I have done, though it must look strange to begin a road without a beginning or an end. Have just returned from Puriri, where I started the men this morning working towards Shortland, but the natives came out and turned them off. Have shifted them further out towards Hikutaia, in the hope they will not be stopped there. Had I taken the advice given to me on all sides I could have easily forced the making of the road with the number of men I had, but I considered that if the natives have a lawful right to the land

this might place the Provincial Government in an awkward position, and in the end only retard matters, so I acted as above. Am now going to see Mr. Puckey. 250 applications for work at office; only from 40 to 50 out to work this morning.

JAMES M. McLAREN,  
District Engineer.

(12) Auckland, 26th January, 1876.  
To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

Thanks for telegram about works. Do not attempt to force the road on any account; work only in places where the natives do not object. What arrangements will suit you best as regards remitting money?

READER WOOD.

(13.) Grahamstown, 26th January, 1876.  
Reader Wood, Esq.,

Provincial Treasurer, Auckland.

As men had no money, and storekeepers would not trust them, I made arrangements to pay twice a week; will go up and pay to night. Had to start with day labor, not knowing where I may be turned off, and the men being strangers to one another; but as soon as I can get parties to agree I will as far as possible let the work in small contracts in those places where I think there is not likely to be any obstruction. Could Mr. Lusk place £500 to my public account in the usual way? Have enough on hand to make all payments this week.

JAMES M. McLAREN,  
District Engineer.

NOTE.—£250 advanced to Mr. McLaren on account.—R. B. LUSK. 28th January, 1876.

(14) Thames, January 27, 1876.  
SIR,—

I have the honor to forward you a copy of a letter this day sent to the District Engineer, Grahamstown. I also enclose you a rough plan of the Church Mission land at Puriri, showing roads laid off by the Society's Engineer.

The road now being made by the Provincial Government District Engineer is about the telegraph line, quite an unsuitable position for a road, being up and down exceedingly steep hills, and through deep swamps.

I have, &c.,  
F. C. DEAN.

His Honor the Superintendent  
of the Province of Auckland.

ENCLOSURE.

(Copy.) Grahamstown, Thames,  
January 27, 1876.

SIR,—  
As agent by power of attorney for the Church Missionary Society for Africa and the East, I hereby give you notice to at once desist from making any road through the land of the Church Missionary Society at Puriri, except on the roads surveyed through the said land by Mr. Robert Macfarland, and the position of which roads are shewn on a plan deposited in the proper office in Auckland, and of which plan a copy has been delivered to you some months back.

I further give you notice that the road you are now cutting through the Church Mission property is not only without my sanction, but in direct opposition to the opinion of Mr. Macfarland, a competent engineer and surveyor, will be closed and not allowed to be used. The road from Shortland to Ohinemuri, laid off through the lands by the Society's Engineer,

is in a good position (in fact the only fit one for such road); whereas the one you are attempting to make is very unsuitable, and from the formation of the ground can never be made a good road.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the Hon. Dr. Pollen, and to His Honour the Superintendent of Auckland.

Yours, &c.,  
F. C. DEAN.

J. M. McLaren, Esq.,  
District Engineer, Thames.

(15) Auckland, January 28, 1876.  
To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

Have received complaint from Dean about road through Mission land at Puriri. Can you not adjust the matter amicably with him, as the Mission have a road laid off through their property?

READER WOOD.

(16) Auckland, February 2, 1876.  
To Hon. Colonial Treasurer,  
Wellington.

One thousand pounds authorised by Dr. Pollen for works on goldfields to prevent distress. Over one hundred men employed. Please send the money.

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Treasurer.

NOTE.—£1000 paid to Provincial account this day.

February 7th, 1876.

R. B. LUSK.

(17.) Grahamstown, February 3, 1876.  
To Sir George Grey, K.C.B.,  
Auckland.

Captain Fraser states that you authorised the putting on of the unemployed on the Waitekauri road. No instructions have been yet received here; if allowed we will provide two or more skilled men to direct them.

R. BLEAZARD.  
JOHN BROWN.

(18.) Auckland, 3rd February, 1876.  
To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

The Superintendent wishes the men to be employed on the Waitekauri road.

READER WOOD.

(19.) Auckland, 3rd February, 1876.  
To Messrs. Bleazard and John Brown,  
Grahamstown.

Mr. McLaren has been instructed to employ the men on the Waitekauri road.

G. GREY.

(20.) Grahamstown, 8th February, 1876.  
To Sir George Grey, K.C.B.,  
Auckland.

Several men with large families have applied to Board for employment. Could your Honor authorise Mr. McLaren to expend £100 (of the £1,000 given by Dr. Pollen) to complete repairs in Waio-tahi, the £110 granted by you being insufficient.

A. BRODIE,  
Chairman Waio-tahi Board.

(21.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 8th February, 1876.

SIR,—  
In reply to your telegram of this date, I am

directed by his Honour the Superintendent to state that the Colonial Secretary definitely objected to expending any of the money allowed by the General Government either on the Waiotahi or Moanataiari roads, the necessities of which were directly brought under his particular notice.

I have, &c.,  
**READER WOOD,**  
 Provincial Secretary.

The Chairman of the Waiotahi District Board,  
 Grahamstown.

(22.) Wellington, 12th February, 1876.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
 Auckland.

No. 60. I have received the following letter from Messrs. McKirdy and Oakes, contractors on the Wellington to Masterton Railway, offering work to the unemployed miners at the Thames:—

“Wellington, February, 1876.

“The Hon. Colonial Secretary,

“Sir,—We regretted to learn through the public press that his Honor the Superintendent had replied to a number of working men at the Thames, that he was unable to find work in this part of the Colony, and being aware that the persons in question have applied to the Government of New South Wales to find them employment, we consider that it would be a great loss if they were to leave New Zealand. We are therefore willing to provide four hundred with at least twelve months' work, at from seven shillings to eight shillings per diem. The only question which arises being the cost of passage to Wellington. As a large stream of immigration has been coming into this Colony for some time past, we believe it would have a very injurious effect if the New South Wales Government accepted the offer of these men. We therefore submit for the consideration of the Government whether they could not be provided with passages to Wellington, especially as it has been a matter of policy on the part of the Immigration Department to send immigrants from one part of the Colony to another at the Government expense. If this cannot be done, we submit that an arrangement might be made through the Engineers of the Public Works Department in charge of the works to receive small monthly payments from each man on account of his passage. When we tendered for our present contracts we were led to believe that there would be ample labour awaiting, instead of which we find that within the past twelve months very few British immigrants have been introduced to this port. The majority being foreigners, numbers of whom we have employed at a loss to ourselves, so anxious were we to complete our contracts. As the labour question has become a serious one with us, if we are to finish our contracts within the time allowed by the Public Works Department, we earnestly hope that these men will not be allowed to leave this Colony in the face of our representations.—We are, &c., **CHARLES MCKIRDY, W. F. OAKES.**”

**DANIEL POLLEN.**

(23.) Superintendent's Office,  
 Auckland, 14th February, 1876.

Sir,—

With reference to the question of providing work for the unemployed at the Thames, I have the honour to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a telegram received from the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, communicating an offer from Messrs. McKirdy and

Oakes, Wellington, Contractors, to give employment to 400 men on the railway works at Wellington for a period of twelve months.

I have, etc.,  
**READER WOOD,**  
 Provincial Secretary.

His Worship the Mayor,  
 Thames.

(24.) Auckland, 14th February, 1876.

To Honourable Colonial Secretary,  
 Wellington.

Re proposal of Messrs. McKirdy and Oakes, I have communicated your telegram to the Mayor at the Thames.

**READER WOOD,**  
 For the Superintendent.

(25.) Grahamstown, 15th February, 1876.

Reader Wood, Esq.,  
 Provincial Secretary, Auckland.

The £1,000 authorised for expenditure on road works for unemployed will be expended on Thursday first. Unless otherwise instructed by you in the meantime, I must discharge all the men now employed on these works.

**JAMES M. MCLAREN,**  
 District Engineer.

(26.) Auckland, 15th February, 1876.

To the Honourable  
 Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Copy of telegram from Inspector of Works at Thames, sent for your information:—“The £1,000 authorised for expenditure on road works for unemployed will be expended on Thursday first. Unless otherwise instructed by you in the meantime, I must discharge all the men now employed on these works.—**J. M. MCLAREN.**” Will Colonial Government authorise a further expenditure on this account and forward the money?

**READER WOOD,**  
 For the Superintendent.

(27.) Mackaytown, 14th February, 1876

Sir,—

The undersigned Committee appointed at a public meeting held at Mackaytown on the 12th instant, have the honor to forward to you herewith copy of a memorial agreed to at said meeting, addressed to the Hon. Daniel Pollen, and respectfully to request that your Honor will use every influence in your power in favour of carrying out the prayer of the memorialists.

We have, &c.,

**ADAM PORTER,**  
**GEO. WOODWARD,**  
**JAMES MUNRO.**

His Honor Sir George Grey, K.C.B., M.H.R.,  
 Superintendent of the Province of Auckland,  
 Auckland.

ENCLOSURE.

To the Hon. Daniel Pollen, M.L.C.,  
 Premier of New Zealand,  
 etc., etc., etc.

The Memorial of the undersigned workmen, at present employed on the Mackaytown and Waitekauri road, and others resident in the Ohinemuri District,

Respectfully sheweth,

1. That a large number of your Memorialists are

now employed on the new road between Mackaytown and Waitekauri, in the Ohinemuri District.

2. That the funds provided by the General Government to furnish employment for your Memorialists will apparently be exhausted in a week or ten days.

3. That when these funds shall be exhausted a large majority of your Memorialists see no other prospect before them but to return to the Thames, where so much depression at present exists; that they will be unable to find employment, and this would undoubtedly add to the very great distress and even misery, which largely prevails there.

4. That the road now being constructed to Waitekauri for the more immediate purpose of enabling machinery to be conveyed there has already more than realized expectations, inasmuch as valuable gold discoveries have recently been made in the new ground along the line of road, and a large area has been opened up for agricultural settlement.

5. That the new ground above referred to would probably have remained undeveloped for a long time but for the construction of this road, and even now some months must necessarily elapse before the requisite machinery can be procured and erected.

6. That as the first half of the Waitekauri road has been designed, and appears well adapted, to form a portion of the main trunk road to Tauranga, thus avoiding the difficult country through the gorge, your memorialists respectfully submit that the labour now in this district might be wisely and cheaply utilised in further extending the said road over the Waihi Plains, and they desire most strongly to urge this view of the subject upon the immediate attention of the Government, in order that further employment may be found forthwith for those needing it.

7. Your Memorialists would further beg to bring under your special notice that the distress arising from want of employment at the Thames has been, and now is, far more widely spread than is generally believed; and that many hard-working, respectable, and useful men with their families are from this cause alone preparing to leave the country, whenever they shall be enabled to do so.

Signed by your Memorialists, in public meeting assembled, at Mackaytown, this 12th day of February, 1876.

Here follow signatures.

Certified by } ADAM PORTER,  
                  } JAMES MUNRO,  
                  } GEO. WOODWARD,

A committee appointed by Memorialists.

(28.) Auckland, February 17th, 1876.

To Hon. Colonial Secretary,  
Wellington.

Since my telegram of 15th, copy of a Petition addressed to you has been received from two hundred and fifty people at Ohinemuri, saying funds provided for unemployed at Thames will soon be exhausted, that great distress will follow, that many hard-working men are leaving the district, and they pray that further employment may be found forthwith.

READER WOOD,  
For the Superintendent.

(29.) Government Buildings,  
February 17th, 1876.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

Re Mr. Wood's telegram, this Government has no legal authority for expenditure on roads in the Thames gold mining district, or on the line from

Ohinemuri to Katikati; nor is the making of these roads a work of such urgency that the Government would be justified in expending money upon them in order to retain in a particular locality labour which is urgently needed in other parts of the colony. If there be no prospect of immediate resumption of work on the mines at Grahamstown, the Government will, if your Honor desires it, at once make arrangements with Messrs. McKirdy and Oakes for the employment of such number of workmen, and for their selection and removal temporarily from the Thames to Wellington, as may be found necessary to afford immediate relief.

DANIEL POLLEN.

(30.) Auckland, 18th February, 1876.

To Hon. Colonial Secretary,  
Wellington.

You are mistaken upon some points alluded to in your telegram. The road on which the people are now employed at the Thames is really a work of great urgency, and of necessity for the progress of this part of the Colony: it is the main highway to Tauranga, and you have already recognised the importance of this road by ordering working parties of the Armed Constabulary to be employed upon it.

Assistance such as that now asked for, under circumstances unforeseen and of great emergency, is a matter of ordinary business with all Governments. I could have met the emergency myself without asking for any extraneous aid, had the financial arrangements made by the late Colonial Treasurer with my Provincial Treasurer, during the last session of Parliament, been carried out. They were made upon the lowest possible scale, to enable me to conduct the ordinary and necessary business of the Province; but the deductions made monthly from the capitation allowance and from the goldfields revenue, are so serious, and the want of security that I feel from month to month as to the funds that I may have at my disposal is so great, as to make it impossible for me to enter upon the most temporary and trifling expenditure without the prospect of embarrassment before me, unless I either have the funds, or a definite promise of them. As regards the removal of the men temporarily to Wellington, it is a course which I think would be very hard upon the people, separating them, as it would, from their homes and their families; and as in all probability work will be renewed at the mines, which have now stopped working, in about two months' time, and employment in this way afforded again to the men now out of work, it seems to me that the simplest as well as the best course would be to furnish the assistance asked for, and continue the men on the main road towards Tauranga. If Government does not see its way to adopt this recommendation, there is a railway work urgently required, namely the extension of the existing Kaipara Railway, a distance of less than a mile, to the spot indicated by Mr. Carruthers as the proper place for the Helensville terminus. The want of this renders the present line almost useless to the timber merchants of the Kaipara.

G. GREY.

(31.) Grahamstown, 18th February, 1876.

R. G. Wood, Esq.,  
Provincial Secretary, Auckland.

I see in this day's *Advertiser*, quoting *Herald* of few days back, that you have handed the business of transportation of unemployed to Wellington over to me. Surely this is an error. Your only communication to me is letter with enclosure of 14th. The

matter itself is not a municipal one, and though I should decline to relieve you of all responsibility, I place my services at your disposal in carrying out your views.

J. E. MACDONALD,  
Mayor.

(32.) Auckland, 18th February, 1876.  
To His Worship the Mayor,  
Thames.

Thank you for your courteous telegram. I never proposed to ask you to act in the manner you mention. I still hope and trust that there will be no removal of people from Thames to Wellington.

G. GREY.

(33.) Government Buildings,  
19th February, 1876.  
His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

No. 66. In the absence of the Colonial Secretary Ministers have read your Honor's telegram. The Colonial Secretary will reach Auckland to-day or tomorrow, and we are sure will give to your Honor's representations the consideration their importance demands.

C. C. BOWEN.

(34.) Auckland, 21st February, 1876.  
To Honourable  
the Premier, Wellington.

A main question raised in my telegram of the 18th instant appears to be overlooked in the reply to it; and it is one which must be dealt with by the Cabinet.

An arrangement was made towards the close of the last Session between the Colonial Treasurer and Provincial Treasurer that certain amounts should be paid to the Provincial Government to enable it to conduct the public business. In the amounts so to be paid were included the Goldfields Revenue and the Capitation allowance.

The Provincial Treasurer states positively that when he arranged with the Colonial Treasurer for an advance of Sixty thousand pounds in aid of Provincial Revenue for the current year, it was distinctly understood that this Province would receive about One thousand pounds a month from the Colonial Treasury on account of Capitation allowance.

Stoppages from that source have now been made to the extent of Three thousand pounds for the quarter ending 31st of December last; and the Receivers of Gold Revenue have been instructed, without any reference or intimation in relation to this subject having been made to the Superintendent as holder of the delegated powers, to cease paying such monies into the Provincial account, and to pay them to the Public Account of the Colony.

I am advised that the "Payments to Provinces Act, 1871," has no longer the force of law, and that the Act of 1872 is the one under which the Provinces draw their Capitation money. It seems, therefore, that the Treasury has not the legal power to make the stoppages which it has done.

I pray that I may be immediately informed whether the Government will or will not carry out the arrangement concluded between the Colonial Treasurer and Provincial Treasurer, that I may determine what course I must pursue under present difficult circumstances.

The population of Auckland was about Sixty seven thousand when an advance of Sixty thousand pounds (out of revenue raised in itself) was allotted to it in aid of the Provincial Revenue.

To the Province of Westland, with a population

less than Fifteen thousand, a sum of Thirty-five thousand pounds was similarly allotted.

G. GREY.

(35.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 21st February, 1876.

SIR,—

In compliance with your instructions, I saw the Honourable Colonial Secretary this morning, and took with me copies of your telegraphic correspondence with the Colonial Secretary and the Premier. The Colonial Secretary informed me that the Government had every desire to assist you to the best of their ability in reference to the labour question at the Thames, but that they saw no end to the mere finding employment for the men for the purpose of keeping them in a particular locality, the ordinary labour market of which did not require their services. I represented to him that the employment necessary would probably be only of a temporary nature, and that in the course of a month or two I understood the mines that were now closed would be re-opened, and that then the labour of these men would be absorbed in their ordinary occupation of mining as heretofore. The Colonial Secretary said that there was a sum of £4,000, being the balance of the loan of £40,000, not yet paid over to the Provincial Government, that he was quite willing to order the immediate payment of that sum to your Honour, and that the Governor would be advised to assent to its appropriation in such way as your Honour might recommend. I pointed out to the Colonial Secretary that this amount was considered as available for the ordinary expenditure of the Provincial Government of Auckland in the arrangement made between the late Colonial Treasurer and myself during the last session of Parliament regarding funds, and that if this sum was appropriated as he proposed we should probably fall short of means later on to carry on the ordinary and necessary Provincial expenditure required for the maintenance of gaols, hospitals, police, &c. He said in reply, "If that should be the case we shall have to come to your assistance; in the meantime this sum will meet your immediate necessities."

I have, &c.,

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Secretary.

His Honour the Superintendent.

(36.) Auckland, February 21, 1876.  
To His Worship the Mayor,  
Thames.

The Government having suggested that an arrangement regarding the unemployed at the Thames might this day be made with the Colonial Secretary, I delayed proceeding there until to-morrow, as I should have been powerless unless such an arrangement had been made. It has been made. To-morrow I shall be with you.

G. GREY.

(37.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, February 22, 1876.

SIR,—

With reference to the labor question at the Thames I have the honour to enclose for your information copy of a letter from Mr. Wood to me, informing me of a proposal made by you to him for providing means to continue the employment of labor at the Thames. Under the circumstances I agree to your proposal, and shall be obliged by your making arrangements for the due payment of the

money from time to time as funds are required.

I have, &c.,

READER WOOD,

For the Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Auckland.

(38.) Provincial Government Offices,  
Grahamstown, February 24th, 1876.

SIR,—

I have the honour to enclose an application purporting to be signed by 96 of the inhabitants of the Thames District, stating they are some of the unemployed in the Thames District, and applying for a free passage to any of the Southern ports in this Colony.

I have, &c.,

G. GREY.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

[ENCLOSURE.]

Grahamstown, 23rd February, 1876.

To His Honor the Superintendent.

Upon your own words, We, the undersigned, apply for a free passage to any of the Southern Ports, being the unemployed of the Thames.

(Here follow 96 signatures.)

(39.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, 26th February, 1876.

SIR,—

I have received your Honor's letter of date 24th inst., with its enclosure, copy of a letter from 96 men, being some of the unemployed of the Thames, who as they say, "upon your own words," apply to you for passages to any of the Southern ports.

I note that your Honor does not express any opinion or make any recommendation in regard to this application.

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

(40.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 28th February, 1876.

SIR,—

I have had the honour of receiving your letter of the 26th instant on the subject of the unemployed labourers at the Thames. I venture to remind you that Sir Julius Vogel, in his telegram to Mr. Rowe of the 18th instant, made a promise to the unemployed people of the Thames district to the following effect:—"Plenty of labour is required in other parts of the Colony, and if necessary the Government would aid the unemployed to go to parts where employment offers." The promise was made to these people without my having been in any way consulted on the subject.

Some of these people, who are greatly to be pitied, and who are in much distress, applied to me for fulfilment of this promise. I pointed out that it had been made by the General Government, and that it would be necessary to address a memorial on the subject to that Government, which I would forward at once to you.

I submit that these people, some of whom are in great distress, should have an immediate answer returned to them as to whether you will or will not carry out the terms of Sir Julius Vogel's telegram of the 18th instant, in order that their minds may be set at rest upon the subject.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

G. GREY.

(41.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, 28th February, 1876.

SIR,—

I have received your Honor's letter of date February 22nd instant, covering copy of a letter to you from Mr. Reader Wood, giving report of a conversation had with me on the subject of providing means of giving temporary employment to those persons at the Thames who have been thrown out of work by the stoppage of certain mines there, in which you state that you agree to the proposal made to Mr. Wood, and request that arrangements may be made for the payment of the money from time to time as funds are required.

The report furnished by Mr. Wood to your Honor of his conversation with me is substantially correct, but there is an inaccuracy, by inadvertence, no doubt, which I desire to set right. I did not say that I would "order immediate payment of the sum of £4,000 to your Honor," because that would be an unconstitutional act, and because I think your Honor would not accept the money under such circumstances. What I did say was, that I believed the sum above mentioned was available, and that the Governor would be advised to assent to its appropriation in such way as your Honor might recommend. I have not yet received any such recommendation.

In your Honor's letter of date February 7th instant, request was made that the authority of his Excellency the Governor might be given for the expenditure of a sum of £800 on the construction of a wharf at Mangapai, and of the sum of £400 in the construction of a wharf at Matakana; and I have now to beg your Honor to be good enough to say whether you adhere to your purpose of prosecuting these works, and, if authorised, of charging the payment for them upon the £4,000 unexpended balance of the £40,000 provided for Auckland under "The Provincial Public Works Advances Act, 1874"

I have, etc.,

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

(Letter referred to in No. 41 above.)

(42.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 7th February, 1876.

SIR,—

I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to move his Excellency the Governor to sanction the expenditure of the sum of about £1,200 for two most necessary public works, to the north of Auckland.

The first is the construction of a wharf at Mangapai. The Provincial Council of Auckland, in December 1873, requested the Superintendent to place upon the Estimates for 1874 a sufficient sum for the erection of this wharf; nothing has, however, yet been done in that direction. Since that time a good deal of correspondence has taken place upon the subject, and the necessity of this work has been urged upon me by the settlers of that and the surrounding district. By your letter of the 18th January I am placed in a position to put the roads and bridges of this district in repair, and I also understand it is the intention of the General Government to spend a portion of the residue of the sum of £60,000 formerly set apart for roads north of Auckland on the road from Mahurangi to Waipu, via Albertland. The practical utility of these works will be greatly increased by giving the settlers easy access to the sea, and it is this object that I am desirous of

securing by requesting the approval of His Excellency of the necessary outlay of say £800 for wharf and approaches at Mangapai. I am informed that this is the most suitable place for a public wharf for all the surrounding district. The other work is a wharf at Matakana, the probable cost of which will be £400; it is a work also greatly needed for the convenience of the settlers on that river. There is a sum of £4000 still due to the Province out of the £40,000 agreed to be advanced on the security of the land fund, and it is out of this sum that I propose to pay for these works upon receiving the necessary authority to undertake them.

I have, &c.,  
G. GREY.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Wellington.

(43.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 29th February, 1876.

SIR,—

In reply to your letter to me of the 28th instant upon the subject of a recommendation from me of the appropriation of the sum of £4,000 agreed to be advanced to the Province of Auckland, I have now the honour to recommend the following appropriation for works at the Thames:—

Borough Council, to put roads and streets in order for gold traffic during the winter ...	£500
Waiotahi Road Board, for the same purpose...	£200
Kauaeranga Board, for the same purpose .....	£200
Parawai Board, to make road over hill, if leave is given by natives .....	£100
Extension of Tairua road towards Machine sites, and extension of Waitekauri road ...	£1,000

With regard to that part of your letter referring to the proposed expenditure upon wharves at Mangapai and Matakana, I am still of opinion that these works would be of great public utility, and I should be much obliged by his Excellency the Governor being advised to assent to the expenditure proposed.

I have, etc.,  
G. GREY.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary.

(44.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, February 28, 1876.

SIR,—

I have received your Honor's letter of this date in reply to mine of the 26th inst., in which you urge that an immediate answer should be returned to the applicants for passage from the Thames to other Provinces in this Colony; and have to inform you that, on Saturday, I replied to a deputation from the applicants who came to me on the subject, that, as a sum of £4,000 was placed at your Honor's disposal in order that temporary employment on Public Works might be given to those who were in distress, it did not seem at present "necessary" that the Colonial Government should interfere or give aid in the manner proposed.

I have, &c.,  
DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

(45.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 1st March, 1876.

SIR,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 28th ultimo, informing me that the Colonial Government will not at present fulfil, for any of the unemployed at the Thames, the terms of the Premier's telegram of the 18th ult.

With regard to the reply which you are good enough to inform me you made on Saturday last (February 26) to a deputation from the unemployed at the Thames, I venture to remind you that you have not yet "placed a sum of £4,000 at" my "disposal, in order that temporary employment might be given to those who were in distress." What has been at present done is to require me to divert from monies which (it was understood) would be available as Provincial revenue to be employed in various parts of the Province a sum of £4,000 to be employed in the manner you point out. In fact you have taken from various parts of the Province that which was to be spent for their benefit, in order to apply it in one district. If an additional sum of £4,000 is allotted to the Province from revenues raised within it, then what is stated in your letter of the 28th ultimo will be carried out.

I have, &c.,  
G. GREY.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Auckland.

(46.) Auckland, March 2nd, 1876.

To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

Money for Thames not yet received, nor appropriation sanctioned by Governor. Delay signifying acceptance of tenders till you hear further.

READER WOOD.

(47.) Grahamstown, March 3rd, 1876.

Reader Wood, Esq.,

Provincial Secretary, Auckland.

£400 is the estimated cost of works that I have now called tenders for. £1,000 granted to Highway Boards and Borough; shall I ask them to delay acceptance of tenders? Waiotahi Board accepts tenders this afternoon.

JAMES M. MCLAREN,  
District Engineer.

(48.) Auckland, 3rd March, 1876.

To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

The approval of the Governor is necessary before the works can be undertaken or the money issued. Application for his approval has been made, but it has not yet been received. No liabilities should be incurred till the expenditure has been authorised.

READER WOOD.

(49.) Auckland, 4th March, 1876.

To Mr. McLaren,  
Grahamstown.

Governor's approval now obtained to works authorised by Superintendent.

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Secretary.

(50.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, 6th March, 1876.

SIR,—

In reply to your Honor's letter of date 29th February last, I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following appropriation for works at the Thames, as recommended by your Honor:—

	£	s.	d.
Borough Council: to put roads and streets in order for gold traffic during the winter	500	0	0
Waiotahi Road Board: for the same purpose	200	0	0
Kauaeranga Road Board: for the same			

purpose . . . . .	200	0	0
Parawai Road Board: to make road over hill, if leave is given by natives . . . . .	100	0	0
Extension of Tairua road towards machine sites, and extension of Waitekauri road . . . . .	1000	0	0

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

(51.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, March 11, 1876.

SIR,—

Messrs. Oakes and McKirdy, contractors for public works in the Province of Wellington, have reported that one hundred and fifty men at the Thames have applied to them for employment, which they are ready to give if the cost of removing the applicants—say about two pounds ten shillings for each—is defrayed by the Government.

In your telegram of date February 18th ultimo, your Honor appeared to deprecate the proposal to remove the unemployed from the Thames as being "hard" upon the men, although subsequently you appeared to complain that the promise of the Premier to remove them had not been fulfilled.

I enclose for your Honor's information a report furnished to me by the Immigration Officer here, Mr. Ellis, regarding the disposal of the immigrants recently arrived by the 'Salisbury,' and also as to the demand existing, within his official knowledge, for labour in this Province.

As the question of removing a large number of workmen from the Thames to Wellington has been put by Messrs. Oakes and McKirdy into such a practical form as can be dealt with safely as regards the workmen, and with due care as regards the interest of the Province to which it is proposed to send them, I have now to ask your Honor to be good enough to say whether you desire or do not desire that the men whom the agent of Messrs. Oakes and McKirdy has selected or may select, to the number of one hundred and fifty, at the Thames, shall be removed at the public expense from this Province to Wellington.

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent.

[ENCLOSURE.]

Auckland, 11th March, 1876.

SIR,—

In reply to your enquiry on the subject of the disposal of the lately-arrived immigrants ex 'Salisbury' from London, also on the subject of the current demand for labour in the Province at the present time, I have the honor to report that the "Salisbury's" immigrants as a body met with prompt engagements at full wages, and I may say the demand for labour of all kinds appears to be unabated. This applies more especially to farm hands, general labor, and female domestic servants.

I have been unable this week to satisfy all the demands for the several classes of labor abovenamed, and in several instances orders must remain unexecuted until after the arrival of the next batch of immigrants. The extent of the orders actually unexecuted amounts to 41, chiefly from the Waikato, but independent of these I have reason to believe that not less than 50 additional hands for bush work could have been absorbed last week in that district. I may state here that I am credibly informed that in

one instance an employer of labor at Pukekohe wrote or sent an agent to the Thames for the purpose of securing 50 good hands for bush work in that locality alone, but I have not heard of the success attending his enterprise.

The complaint with the settlers is very general that strong able-bodied men, suitable for clearing land, fencing, ditching, and draining, willing to accept moderate wages, are very difficult to procure. I am told that men of this description are in many cases earning from 50s. to 60s. per week. There is at present a demand for labour which is still unmet at various localities on the East Coast.

In conclusion, I may state that I do not anticipate any difficulty in disposing of the immigrants to the extent of 200 shortly expected by the "Brodick Castle."

I have, &c.,

H. ELLIS,  
Immigration Officer.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary,  
Auckland.

(52.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 13th March, 1876.

SIR,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt this day of your letter, dated the 11th instant, forwarding a report by the Immigration Officer, and intimating that Messrs. Oakes and McKirdy, contractors in the Province of Wellington, have received applications from one hundred and fifty men at the Thames, seeking employment. You ask me to say whether or not I desire that the men shall be removed at the public expense from this Province to Wellington.

I have to state that the correspondence connected with the removal of people from the Thames, and the proposals relating thereto, were conducted in the first instance (contrary to the usual custom of the public service) with a private person, without the Superintendent having been in any way consulted or referred to by the Government on the subject. I therefore ought not now to advise or interfere in the matter.

There are additional reasons for my acting thus, because if the General Government and a contractor conjointly make proposals to the men at the Thames for their employment, I do not feel that I have any right to interfere with the liberty of action of those men who are the best judges of what they believe will be to their interest and future welfare. As I shall be in no way responsible for the public funds which the General Government may spend in the removal of the men and their families, I clearly ought not to venture to advise those upon whom that responsibility will fall.

My duty as Superintendent, however, requires me to state my belief that if the Government had adopted the course I requested them to pursue in reference to the acquisition of Native Lands, large numbers of families would have been now comfortably settled on valuable farms in the valley of the Thames, and the whole district would have been a wealthy and prosperous one. I further believe that if the Government still follow the course they are pursuing in regard to the purchase of Native Lands, they will continue to drive out of that district large numbers of industrious people, and ruin others who are induced to linger on in the hope of obtaining lands which they never get.

To express a mere opinion, I should say had not promises and arrangements been made, that it is far better to lay out money in promoting the prosperity of a new and fertile district, and the welfare of its

inhabitants, than to expend public funds in partially depopulating it by the removal from it of an industrious and able-bodied population.

No country more requires a railroad than the Thames requires one to connect it with the Waikato. Such a railroad, I am satisfied, could be constructed by private enterprise, at no cost to the public. The plan the Government undertook to enter upon removes from such a district, at a considerable public charge, a very valuable population, in order that they may construct a railroad at another place, where it certainly is not more requisite than at the Thames.

I have, &c.,  
G. GREY.

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Auckland.

(53.) General Government Offices,  
Auckland, 14th March, 1876.

SIR,

At the request of the Mayor of Grahamstown, I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a telegram just received.

I have, &c.,  
DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Auckland.

[ENCLOSURE.]

Grahamstown, 14th March, 1876.

To Hon. D. Pollen,  
Auckland

The Mayor is waited upon by a deputation representing 180 workmen who have signed agreement to take work with Mr. Oakes at Wellington. I am satisfied that the great majority are destitute, or are at least unable to pay their own passage, and having been led to expect means of conveyance, are now much disappointed at the view taken upon the question of their conveyance. I promised to put before you three facts—

1. Men destitute.
2. Work at Wellington.
3. No immediate employment here.

Please send copy to Hon. Superintendent.

J. E. MACDONALD,  
Mayor.

(54.) Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 14th March, 1876.

SIR,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, covering the copy of a telegram received by you from the Mayor of the Thames, and to enclose for your information the copy of one addressed by me to His Worship on the subject of the proposed removal of men from the Thames to Wellington.

I have, &c.,  
G. GREY.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Auckland.

(55.) Auckland, 14th March, 1876.

To His Worship the Mayor,  
Thames.

SIR,—

Dr. Pollen asked me to say whether I desired or did not desire that the men whom the agent of Messrs. Oakes and McKirdy had selected, or might select, to the number of one hundred and fifty, at the Thames, should be removed at the public expense

from this Province to Wellington. For reasons stated in a letter, I declined to advise or interfere in the matter, adding "if the General Government and a contractor conjointly make proposals to men at the Thames for their employment, I do not feel that I have any right to interfere with the liberty of action of those men, who are the best judges of what they believe will be to their interest and future welfare."

G. GREY.

#### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, March 13, 1876.

IT is hereby notified that a Writ, issued on the 17th day of February ultimo, for the Election of a Member of the Provincial Council for the Electoral District of Eden, has been returned to this office, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer to the effect that

JAMES WRIGLEY,  
of Remuera, Freeholder, has been duly elected.

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Secretary.

#### CROWN GRANT.

Crown Lands Office,  
Auckland, 13th March, 1876.

I HEREBY notify that a Crown Grant, in favour of Theophilus Pratt, of lot 217, 40 acres, Opaheke, is now ready for delivery, at the Office of the Registrar of Deeds, Auckland.

D. A. TOLE,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

#### NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND,  
NORTHERN DISTRICT.

Between WILLIAM HASKAYNE JONES, Trustee of the Estate and Effects of GEORGE THORNE, junior, trading as "JOHN ROBERTON AND COMPANY," a Bankrupt, Plaintiff, and WILLIAM WHITAKER ARIELL, Defendant.

WHEREAS by virtue of a Writ of *Fieri Facias* issued herein, ordering me that of the real and personal property of the above-named defendant, William Whitaker Ariell, I should cause to be made the sum of twenty-two pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence, together with interest on the said sum at the rate of eight pounds per centum per annum, from the second day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, with costs of the said Writ and Warrant thereon, besides Sheriff's poundage, officers' fees, and other fees and expenses of execution: And whereas by virtue of another Writ of *Fieri Facias* issued herein, ordering me that of the real and personal property of the said defendant I should cause to be made the further sum of twenty-three pounds ten shillings and tenpence, together with interest on the said sum at the rate of eight pounds per centum per annum from the second day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, with costs of the said writ and warrant thereon, besides sheriff's poundage, officers' fees, and other fees and expenses of execution.

Now, I, Henry Colin Balneavis, Sheriff of the District of Auckland, do hereby give notice that I shall cause to be sold by public auction, by Richard Arthur, at his Auction Mart, Queen-street, Auckland, on the eighteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, unless the said sums of twenty-two pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence, and twenty-three pounds ten shillings and tenpence, and interest thereon respectively, as aforesaid, with costs of writ and warrant, Sheriff's poundage, officers fees, and other fees and expenses thereon as aforesaid, be sooner paid, all the estate, right, title, and interest of the said William Whitaker Ariell, in and to all that piece or parcel of land in the province of Auckland, in the colony of New Zealand, containing one hundred and twenty acres more or less, being northern portion of allotment one hundred and twenty-nine, of the Parish of Matakohē, in the County of Marsden, and being the whole of the land comprised in a certificate of title under the Land Transfer Act, 1870, and the several Acts amending the same, volume four, folio fifteen. And in and to all that piece or parcel of land, containing seventy-seven acres, more or less, being north-eastern portion of allotment number twenty-eight of the Parish of

Paparoa, in the County of Marsden, in the Province of Auckland aforesaid, being the whole of the land comprised in a certificate of title under the said Land Transfer Acts, volume eight, folio fifty-six, with all the buildings erected upon the said pieces or parcels of land or either of them. And I further give notice that the estate or interest of the said William Whitaker Ariell, in respect of the aforesaid lands so intended to be sold, consists in his being the registered proprietor of an estate of freehold in fee simple in possession of the said lands under the provisions of the said Acts. And all the said lands and all the estates and interests of the said William Whitaker Ariell therein and thereto have been taken by me in execution at the suit of the said William Haskayne Jones, the execution creditor. The name and address of the solicitor for William Haskayne Jones, the said execution creditor, is Edmund Augustus Mackechnie, of Wyndham-street, in the City of Auckland, in the Province of Auckland, aforesaid.

Dated the 4th day of February, 1876.

H. C. BALNEAVIS,  
Sheriff.

MacCormick and Mackechnie, Solicitors, Wyndham street, Auckland.

#### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

Superintendent's Office,  
Auckland, 13th March, 1876.

THE following Accounts between the Province of Auckland and the Colonial Government, are published for general information.

READER WOOD,  
Provincial Secretary.

#### THE PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND IN ACCOUNT WITH THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT, JANUARY, 1876.

##### CONSOLIDATED FUND.

1876.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 1.—By Balance from last account ...	...	3014	5	9
„ 31.— „ Capitation and Special Allowances ...	...	5062	19	2
		£8077	4	11
1876.	Dr.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 31.—To Interest and Sinking Fund ...	...	3457	5	9
„ 31.— „ Interest on Advances made for aiding Works on Thames Goldfields, as per Statement herewith ...	...	177	5	9
„ 31.—Balance carried down ...	...	4442	13	5
		£8077	4	11
„ 31.—By Balance brought down ...	...	£4442	13	5

#### MEMORANDUM

Of Interest and Sinking Fund chargeable to the Province of Auckland at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum for the month of January, 1876, in respect of £50,000 authorised to be advanced to the Province of Auckland for "Aiding Works on Thames Goldfields."—

Total Advances made to the Province to 31st December, 1875	...	£29,783	173	14	8
Interest thereon for 1 month	...				
Advance issued from the Public Account on 20th January, 1876	...	£1,686	3	11	1
Interest thereon for 11 days	...				
		£31,469	£177	5	9

JAMES C. GAVIN,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

Accountant's Office,  
Treasury, 29th February, 1876.

## RAILWAY "INTEREST ACCOUNT."

1876.		£	s.	d.
Jan. 31.—By Receipts in excess of Expenditure, as per statement herewith ...	...	726	16	8
Balance carried down ...	...	10,620	8	11
		£11,347	5	7
1876.				
Jan. 1.—To Balance as per last statement ...	...	9499	3	8
„ 31.—To Interest for the month of January ...	...	1848	1	11
		£11,347	5	7
Jan. 31.—To Balance brought down ...	...	£10,620	8	11

JAMES C. GAVIN,  
Accountant to Treasury.

Accountant's Office,  
Treasury, 29th February, 1876.

## RAILWAYS "MONTHLY ACCOUNT."

For the period from 25th December, 1875, to the 29th January, 1876, prepared under the 14th section of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1875," shewing the gross receipts, the total issues for working, management, and maintenance, and the total profit or loss, in respect of the undermentioned Railway.

AUCKLAND TO MERCER.		£	s.	d.
Receipts ...	...	£3015	12	3
Expenditure ...	...	£2288	15	7
Profit ...	...	£726	16	8

JAMES C. GAVIN,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

Accountant's Office,  
Treasury, 29th February, 1876.

The apparent profit is reducible by the sum of £855 12s. 10d. chargeable for stores supplied to the lines, but not debited up to the time when this account was made up.

## LAND FUND.

1876.		£	s.	d.
Jan. 1.—By Balance per last account ...	...	1975	16	11
„ 31.— „ Land Revenue (ordinary) ...	...	5	0	0
„ „ Goldfields Revenue ...	...	530	19	7
„ „ Gold Duty ...	...	529	3	8
„ „ Receipts from Confiscated Lands—				
From Land Sales ...	...	220	0	0
Rents ...	...	20	0	0
Timber Licenses... ..	...	15	0	0
Transfer from Consolidated Fund to provide for Salary of Commissioner of Crown Lands ...	...	38	13	4
		£3,334	13	6
<i>Dr.</i>				
Dec. 31.—To Payments to Provincial Account ...	...	579	4	8
„ „ Messrs. Pollen & Puckey's account ...	...	384	0	0
„ „ Miners' Rights Deposit Account ...	...	55	10	0
Expenditure in connection with Confiscated Lands—				
For Salaries ...	...	101	3	4
„ Surveys ...	...	26	15	6
„ Clerical assistance ...	...	16	17	6
„ Contingencies ...	...	0	8	0
Salary of Commissioner Crown Lands, December and January ...	...	83	6	8
To Balance carried down ...	...	2087	7	10
		£3,334	13	6
By Balance brought down ...	...	£2087	7	10

JAMES C. GAVIN,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

Accountant's Office,  
Treasury, 29th February, 1876.

