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PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY.

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By His Honor's command,

JOHN HALL,

Provincial Secretary.

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[No. VI.]

Proclamation.

WHEREAS I, **JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD**, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, did, on the Fourteenth day of February last past, in pursuance of the Powers vested in me in that behalf, prorogue the Provincial Council of the said Province, until the fifth day of April next ensuing, and the said Council doth stand prorogued accordingly; Now therefore, I, James Edward Fitz Gerald, in further pursuance of the powers vested in me in that behalf, do hereby further prorogue the said Council until Wednesday the Eleventh day of April next ensuing, and do hereby summon the said Provincial Council to meet for the despatch of business at the Council Chamber, at Christchurch, at One o'clock in the afternoon, on Wednesday the eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five.

Given under my hand at Christchurch, this eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.
JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD,
Superintendent.

God save the Queen.

By his Honor's command,
JOHN HALL,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Christchurch, 20th March, 1855.
HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT directs it to be notified for general information that Writs for the Election of Members of the Provincial Council for the undermentioned Districts in the Province of Canterbury, having been issued, in accordance with the provisions of an Act of Parliament passed in the 16th and 17th years of the reign of Her present Majesty entitled An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand, and of an Ordinance, of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the said Province, entitled "The Provincial Council Extension Ordinance, Session III., No. 1." The Returning Officers for the said several Districts have returned the said Writs with certificates to the effect that the undermentioned Gentlemen have been duly elected to serve as Members of the said Provincial Council for the said several Districts.

FOR THE TOWN OF CHRISTCHURCH.

Charles Berjew Fooks.

Joseph Brittan.

Alfred Charles Barker.

Richard Westera.

FOR THE TOWN OF LYTTELTON.

Charles Robert Blakiston.

William Donald.

Henry Sewell.

FOR THE CHRISTCHURCH COUNTRY
DISTRICT.

John Hall.
John Bealy.
John Ollivier.
William Thomson.
William Bayley Bray.

FOR THE AKAROA DISTRICT.
William Sefton Moorhouse.
Crosby Ward.

By His Honor's command,
JOHN HALL,
Provincial Secretary.

Port Victoria, Canterbury.

Comparative Returns—Years 1853 and 1854, ending 31st December.

	Year 1853.	Year 1854.
No. 1—Duties received	£5511 18 0	7046 2 1
No. 2—Expenditure at this Port, viz. :—		
Salaries	477 14 7	615 0 0
Incidents	156 9 1	221 17 10
	£634 3 8	836 17 10

No. 3—Imports and Exports.

Year ending 31st Dec., 1853. Year ending 31st Dec., 1854.
Value imports. Value exports. Value imports. Value exports.

No. 4—British Goods	Year 1853.	Year 1854.
from United Kingdom	£14385 11 1	25765 10 3
Other ditto ditto	3863 2 0	10180 14 1
British Goods from other		
places	12840 5 5	25165 4 11
Other Goods	44,440 17 6	36606 15 4
	2891 0 0	14157 16 0
	£75,529 16 0	97,718 4 7
	2891 0 0	14,157 16 0

No. 5— Comparative Return.

Staple articles produce of Port Victoria District and other ports of the Province of Canterbury, exported from Port Victoria.

Description of Articles.	Quantity. 1853. Tons. cwt. qr.	Quantity. 1854.	Year 1853.	Year 1854
Butter		1050 lbs.		80 0 0
Cheese	8 18 1	1½ tons	988 0 0	183 0 0
Grain—Bran		124 bushels		12 0 0
Barley		109 ditto		60 0 0
Oats		4190 ditto		1865 0 0
Wheat		600 ditto		300 0 0
Oil		153 galls.		40 0 0
Timber—Sawn	154,500	25,000 feet	955 0 0	250 0 0
Firewood		10 cords		15 0 0
Vegetables—Potatoes		292 tons		3170 0 0
Carrots and Turnips		16 tons		99 0 0
Wool		132,600 lbs.		7095 0 0
			£1,843 0 0	13,169 0 0

No. 6— *Vessels entered inwards and cleared outwards.*

	Year ending 31st Dec., 1853.						Year ending 31st Dec., 1854.					
	Inwards.			Outwards.			Inwards.			Outwards.		
	No.	Tons	Men	No.	Tons	Men	No.	Tons	Men	No.	Tons	Men
United Kingdom—British	3	2107	105				1	461	36			
N. S. Wales—British	12	4439	192	3	1370	49	6	2081	81	8	3210	109
“ Foreign							3	2042	56			
V. D. Land—British	1	274	10							1	107	7
Victoria	1	174	11	3	197	16				3	354	24
Singapore—Foreign										1	388	12
East Indies—British				1	603	33						
China				1	530	19						
Java										1	533	15
New Caledonia										1	137	9
Peru, &c.										1	305	12
Foreign										2	1327	34
	17	6994	318	8	2750	117	10	4584	173	18	6361	222

No. 1. The duties for 1855 may be put down at £9,000 certain: and may probably reach £12,000.

No. 2. Increase £202 14s. 2d. includes drawback on goods exported £6. 3s., and £36 11s. 10d. charges of the Port of Akaroa, in September quarter, 1854, when the receipts were insufficient. Of the remainder £159 16s. 4d. £80 per annum is paid for rent of the Custom House, which was not charged against the Department till the last quarter of 1853. It was formerly paid along with that of all the Government Offices. All charges of day pay for tide waiters, fuel, &c., have risen greatly since 1853.

No. 5. The increase in the returned value of staple exports is owing to the growth of a more direct export trade to places beyond seas. Much of the wool of this Province finds its way coastwise to Wellington for final shipment, and does not appear in the Books of this office.

The Wool of the Province is estimated at 1,600 Bales for the clip of 1854-5, valued at £24,000. The greater portion of this will be exported direct to Sydney and Melbourne.

No. 6. The difference in the entries of shipping inwards, shews a decrease: of shipping outwards an increase. The latter may be taken to indicate the growth of a more direct export trade of which there is evidence in return No. 3, shewing an increased value of exports in 1854 over 1853 of about £11,000. The decrease in shipping inwards arises from vessels bringing cargo from over seas intended for consumption in the Province, making their first report inwards at other Ports, and then coming on coastwise to Port Victoria. Return No. 3 shews a steady increase in trade, the exports of 1854 exceeding in value those of 1853 by £22,000.

J. W. HAMILTON,

Collector.

Resident Magistrate's Office,
March 9th, 1855.

I HEREBY certify that Thomas Fisher, M.D.; has this day produced before me his Medical Diploma from the Royal College of Surgeons, London; also his Diploma from the same body as a Licensed Practitioner of Midwifery, and has thereby proved himself to be qualified as a Medical Practitioner under the Ordinance of the Provincial Council of New Munster, Session I. No. 2, passed the 18th May 1842, entitled "An Ordinance to define the qualification, and to provide for the remuneration in certain cases of Medical Practitioners.

CHARLES SIMEON,
Resident Magistrate.

NOTICE.

Custom House, Port Victoria,
12th March, 1855.

THE back portion of the Warehouse situated on Norwich Quay, Lyttelton, and belonging to Mr. Augustus James Alport has been approved for the free warehousing and securing of goods under bond, according to the provisions of the Customs Ordinance, Session I. No. 3, 1841.

J. W. HAMILTON,
Collector.

NOTICE.

Custom House, Port Victoria,
16th March, 1855.

THE undermentioned places have been approved for the free warehousing and securing of goods under Bond, for the payment of duties according to the provisions of the Customs ordinance of 1841. Session, I No. 3.

The warehouse situated on Norwich quay Lyttelton, belonging to Mr. H. J. Le Cren, and formerly known as Longden and Le Cren's.

That portion of the building situated on Norwich quay, Lyttelton, and known as the Canterbury Association's Store, at present in the occupation of Mr. J. F. Ballard, and generally known as Davis' Bonding Store.

J. W. HAMILTON,
Collector.

NOTICE

Custom House, Port Victoria,
17th March, 1855.

AFTER this date the usual Import Bond will not be required on entry of goods to be secured for duty in the Licensed Warehouses, at Lyttelton, known as—

'Le Cren's,
'Ballard's,
'Alport's,

the occupiers having given a general Bond for goods at any time entered to be secured therein.

J. W. HAMILTON,
Collector.

COLONIAL BANK OF ISSUE.

Amount of the Notes in Circulation at the office of the Colonial Bank of Issue, at Wellington, the 3rd of February, 1855.

Amount of Notes in Circulation on the 3rd day of February, 1855, being the close of the preceding four weeks, viz.:

£5 and upwards.....	16,495
Under £5	20,669

Total £37,164

Total amount of Coin held by the same office on the same day, viz.:

Gold	16,578
Silver	586

Total £17,164

I, HENRY ST. HILL, Manager of the said Bank, do hereby certify that the above is a true account of the Notes in Circulation, and of the Coin held by the said office, as required under Ordinance No. 16, Session 8, and No. 14, Session 11.

HENRY ST. HILL,
Manager.

Colonial Bank of Issue,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1855.

The sum of Twenty Thousand Pounds, £20,000 sterling, has been invested under the warrant of His Excellency the Governor, in the public Funds in England through the Commissariat Department by arrangements made through the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

H. ST. HILL.