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By His Honor's command,

JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

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PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, I, JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury did on the tenth day of July last ~~past~~ prorogue the Provincial Council of the said Province till the eighteenth day of September inst.; and the said Provincial Council did stand prorogued accordingly:—And whereas it is expedient that the said Provincial Council should be further prorogued:—NOW, therefore I, James Edward Fitz Gerald, in pursuance of the powers vested in me in that behalf do hereby further Prorogue the said Provincial Council until Tuesday the ninth day of October next; and I do accordingly hereby summon the said Provincial Council to meet for the dispatch of business in the Council Chamber at Christchurch, on Tuesday the ninth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, at the hour of four o'clock in the afternoon

Given under my hand and issued under the Public Seal of the Province, this tenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD,  
Superintendent.

By command of His Honor,  
JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

God save the Queen.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Ordinance of the Governor and Legislative Council of New Zealand, entitled "The Land Registration Ordinance," Session II, No. 9, it is enacted that there shall be established in every County or district, as the case may be within the Colony, an office which shall be called the Register Office for registering in manner thereafter directed, the Deeds, Wills, and Memorials thereby authorised to be registered:—AND WHEREAS it is thereby further enacted that the said Ordinance shall come into operation within any County or District at such time as His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, shall by Proclamation appoint:—AND WHEREAS, by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury entitled "the Empowering Ordinance, Session II, No.2," it is enacted that the powers conferred on the Governor of New Zealand by the above mentioned Ordinance shall, within the limits of the Province of Canterbury be conferred on the Superintendent thereof:—AND WHEREAS the late Governor of the Province of New Munster did by a Proclamation issued at Wellington on the 30th day of October, 1852, appoint that the said first recited Ordinance should come into operation within the District of Canterbury, within the limits described in

the Schedule to the Act of Parliament, 13 and 14 Vict., c. 70, entitled "An Act Empowering the Canterbury Association to dispose of certain lands in New Zealand," together with the whole of Banks' Peninsula and all the lands excepted in the Schedule aforesaid, on the 1st day of the December then next ensuing; and the said Ordinance did come into operation within the said limits accordingly:—AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said limits should be extended:—NOW, therefore I, James Edward Fitz Gerald, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by the above recited Ordinances, and of all other powers in that behalf enabling me, do, with the advice and consent of my Executive Council, Proclaim and Appoint, that the District of Canterbury within the meaning of the above first mentioned Ordinance shall include the whole of the Province of Canterbury: and the said Ordinance shall come into operation in all parts of the said Province not included in the above mentioned Proclamation by the late Governor of New Munster from and after the date hereof.

Given under my hand and issued under the Public Seal of the Province of Canterbury, at Christchurch, this 10th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

**JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD,**  
Superintendent.

By His Honor's command,

**JOSEPH BRITTAN,**  
Provincial Secretary.

**God save the Queen.**

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, Sept. 10, 1855.*

**HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT** directs the publication of the following despatch for general information.

**JOSEPH BRITTAN,**  
Provincial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office, Auckland,  
28th March, 1855.*

SIR,—As it appears that the Natives in various parts of New Zealand have been supplied with arms and ammunition in violation of the Arms Importation Ordinance (No. 1, Session 6), and that thereby the peace of the Colony is seriously endangered, I am directed by His Excellency the Officer administering the Government earnestly to request you to use your utmost efforts to prevent the infringement of that Ordinance and bring the offenders to punishment, so that the Natives may no longer thus be furnished by unprincipled

persons with the means of carrying on wars amongst themselves, and of disturbing the tranquillity of the country.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

**ANDREW SINCLAIR,**

Colonial Secretary.

To His Honor the Superintendent,  
Canterbury.

**PROCLAMATION.**

**W**HEREAS by an Ordinance passed by the Lieutenant Governor and Legislative Council of New Zealand entitled "The Arms Importation Ordinance," Session, VI. No. 1 it was enacted, that it should be lawful for the Governor to make provision for regulating and restricting the Importation and Sale of Arms, Gunpowder, and other warlike stores:—And whereas by a like Ordinance entitled "The Arms Ordinance," Session VII. No. 18, it was enacted that no person should make, construct, amend, or repair any arms, gunpowder or other warlike stores, without a License to be for that purpose granted under the authority of His Excellency the Governor:—And whereas by an Ordinance passed by the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury, entitled "The Empowering Ordinance," Session, II, No. 2, the powers conferred on the Lieutenant Governor of New Zealand by the above recited Ordinances were, within the limits of the Province of Canterbury, conferred on the Superintendent of the said Province:—And whereas by a Proclamation bearing date the 21st day of January, 1846, by His Excellency the late Lieutenant Governor of New Zealand in pursuance of the powers vested in him by the first of the above recited Ordinances, the Importation, Sale, and other disposition of arms, gunpowder and other warlike stores, were prohibited throughout the Colony of New Zealand, except in manner and subject to the conditions in such Proclamation mentioned:—And whereas by a "Public Notice" dated Auckland, the 25th day of July 1855, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, directs it to be notified for general information that in consequence of the great increase lately in the quantity of arms and ammunition of various descriptions brought into the Colony, and the great danger there was of these articles falling into the hands of the natives, no license would be granted in future for the Importation of Arms and Ammunition of any kind, except under very special circumstances:—And whereas it is expedient to make further regulations for the Importation and disposition of arms, ammunition, and other war-

like stores, and for carrying into effect the provisions of the above recited Ordinances, and Proclamation, and Notice, respectively, within the Province of Canterbury:—Now therefore, I, James Edward Fitz Gerald, the Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by the above mentioned Ordinances, and of all other powers in that behalf enabling me, do hereby Proclaim and Declare that, from and after the date hereof, the following Regulations for the Importation and sale of arms, gunpowder, and other warlike stores, shall be in force within the said Province, that is to say;—

(1.) All Licenses heretofore issued, and now in force for the importation, sale, making and repairing of gunpowder, arms, and other warlike stores, within the Province of Canterbury are hereby cancelled.

(2.) No Gunpowder, Arms, or other Warlike Stores shall be imported into the Province of Canterbury except by a Special license under the hand of the Superintendent, issued upon the recommendation of the Resident Magistrate, to whom all applications must be made.

(3.) No Gunpowder, exceeding 50 lbs. in weight shall be landed in the Province, unless to be deposited in the Public Powder Magazine.

(4.) The New Magazine in "Polhill's Bay" is hereby declared to be a Public Powder Magazine.

(5.) No Gunpowder shall be removed from the Powder Magazine except under a license under the hand of the Superintendent, issued in pursuance of a recommendation of the Resident Magistrate.

(6.) It shall not be lawful for any person to sell any arms, gunpowder, or other warlike stores, unless he shall possess a license under the hand of the Superintendent authorizing him to sell arms and ammunition, nor unless the person purchasing any such arms or ammunition, shall produce a license to purchase, at Lyttelton, Akaroa, and Kaiapoi from the Resident Magistrates of those places respectively, and at Christchurch from the Provincial Secretary.

(7.) Licenses authorizing the sale, making and repairing of arms, and licenses to sell ammunition, will be issued for three months, on condition that not more than one pound weight of gunpowder, five hundred percussion caps, and ten pounds weight of shot, be sold to any one person during that period; and that none of these articles be sold to any aboriginal native.

(8.) It shall be the duty of the Provincial Secretary to keep an accurate record of all the Licenses issued under the authority of this Proclamation, and to furnish

copies thereof to the Resident Magistrate s in the Province.

(9.) It shall be the duty of every Resident Magistrate to keep an accurate copy of all the Licenses issued by him under this Proclamation, and to transmit a copy of the same on the first day of every month to the Superintendent.

(10.) Nothing contained in this Proclamation shall prevent any person coming into the Colony, from landing one gun and one brace of pistols for purposes of sporting or self-defence, or shall apply to the importation of supplies for the use of Her Majesty's land and sea forces.

(11.) This proclamation shall come into operation on the 17th day of September instant.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Province of Canterbury, at Christchurch, this tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD,  
Superintendent.

By His Honor's command,  
JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

God save the Queen.

#### NOTICE.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, Sept. 10, 1855.*

**HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT** directs it to be notified for public information that the penalties for the infringement of the Ordinances relating to the importation, sale, repair, and removal of arms and ammunition will be strictly enforced.

*The Penalties are as follows:—*

(1.) For landing, importing, or selling any Arms, Gunpowder, or other warlike stores contrary to the Regulations of the Proclamation issued this day in that behalf, £500, and the forfeiture of all the arms and ammunition so landed or sold.

(2.) The like penalty on the master of the vessel in which such arms or ammunition are imported; and the forfeiture of the vessel.

(3.) For selling or disposing of any arms, Gunpowder, or other warlike stores contrary to the regulations of the Proclamation issued this day in that behalf any sum not exceeding £500, and the forfeiture of the materials sold.

(4.) For removing any arms or other warlike stores, or any gunpowder exceeding 2lbs in weight, without a license granted by some Justice of the Peace, except for the

purposes of personal defence or of sporting, a penalty not exceeding £50, and not less than £5.

(5). For making, constructing, or repairing any arms, gunpowder, or other warlike stores without having obtained a license, a sum not exceeding £50, and not less than £5.

(6). For a person being a dealer in Gunpowder who shall keep more than fifty pounds weight of Gunpowder, or not being a dealer more than fifteen pounds weight of Gunpowder except by license, any sum not exceeding £20.

(7). In all cases of conviction there shall be awarded to any person who shall have been active in procuring such conviction one half of the penalty to be recovered.

By command of His Honor,  
JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

#### NOTICE.

*Province of Canterbury to Wit:—*

**W**HEREAS a writ under the hand of James Edward Fitz Gerald, Esq., Superintendent of the said Province, bearing date the sixth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, hath been directed to me, Henry John Tancred, Esq., as Returning Officer for the Christchurch Country District, in the said Province, requiring and commanding me to cause to be elected by and from amongst the voters duly qualified for that purpose, freely and indifferently, and in form and manner by law prescribed, *One Person* to serve as a member of the Provincial Council for the Christchurch Country District in place of Charles Simeon, Esq., resigned: NOW therefore, I, the said Henry John Tancred, Returning-Officer for the Christchurch Country District do hereby in pursuance of the said recited writ, give notice, that a public meeting of the electors of the Christchurch Country District, will be holden in the Market place of the town of Christchurch, on Friday the 28th day of September instant, at noon, for the purpose of nominating one person to serve as a member of the Provincial Council for the Christchurch Country District: and in the event of a Poll being demanded for the Candidates, or any of them, such polling shall take place on Saturday the 29th day of September instant in the lobby of the Provincial Council Chamber: Christchurch, in the Police Office at Lyttelton, and at Mr. Black's Store at Kaiapoi. The Voting to commence at any time after nine o'clock,

a.m., of the said day, and to close at four o'clock, p.m., of the same day.

HENRY JOHN TANCRED,  
Returning Officer.

Resident Magistrate's Office,  
Lyttelton, September 7th, 1855.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, Sept. 1 1855.*

**H**IS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT directs the publication for general information of the following appointments:—

HENRY JOHN TANCRED, Esq., provisionally until her Majesty's pleasure be known, to be Sheriff for the Province of Canterbury, *vice* Charles Simeon, Esq., resigned. The appointment to bear date from this day.

HENRY JOHN TANCRED, Esq., to be Commissioner of Police, *vice* Charles Simeon, Esq., resigned. The appointment to bear date from this day.

By His Honor's command,  
JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, September 10, 1855.*

**H**IS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT has been pleased this day to appoint

MR. JOHN MACAULAY O'NEILL,  
to be Inspector of Slaughter Houses in the District of Christchurch.

By His Honor's command,  
JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
August 28, 1855.*

NOTICE TO NEWLY ARRIVED IMMIGRANTS.

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that if any IMMIGRANTS who have given Promissory Notes in part payment of assisted passages to this Province, and of which payment will be required a year after the date of their landing, are willing to pay the whole or any part of their engagements before that time, they will be allowed a discount as follows:—

Within three months after landing 10 per cent.

Within six months do. 5 per cent.

Payment to be made to the Provincial Treasurer, Christchurch.

By his Honor's command  
JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.