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By His Honor's command,

JOSEPH BRITTAN,

Provincial Secretary.

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NOTICE

*Province of Canterbury to wit:—*

WHEREAS a Writ under the hand of James Edward Fitzgerald, Esq., Superintendent of the said Province, bearing date the 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, hath been directed to me, Charles Christopher Bowen, 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 the place of John Hall, Esq., resigned; NOW therefore, I, the said Charles Christopher Bowen, Esq., 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 at the offices of the Provincial Government in the town of Christchurch, on Monday, the 22nd day of December, inst., at 11 o'clock, a.m., 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 Tuesday, the 23rd day of December, in the lobby of the Provincial Council Chamber, at Christchurch; in the Police office at Lyttelton; and at Mr. Black's store, 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.

CHARLES CHRISTOPHER BOWEN,  
Returning-Officer.

Government Offices,  
Christchurch, 5th December, 1856.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, November 29, 1856.*

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

**JOSEPH BRITIAN,**  
Provincial Secretary.

*Superintendent's Office, Christchurch,  
Canterbury, Oct. 9, 1856.*

SIR,—

**I** HAVE the honor to request that His Excellency will be pleased to proclaim the "Resident Magistrates' Court Extension of Jurisdiction Ordinance," to come into operation for the Courts at Lyttelton and Christchurch, to extend over the whole Province of Canterbury, and the Resident-Magistrate of Lyttelton to be the presiding Judge in both such Courts.

I have the honor, &c.,

(Signed) J. E. FITZ GERALD.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, Nov. 12, 1856.*

SIR,—

**W**ITH reference to your Honor's letter of the 9th October last, (No. 26,) requesting that the "Resident Magistrates' Court Extension of Jurisdiction Act, 1856," might be brought into operation at Lyttelton and Christchurch, I have the honor to transmit the accompanying "Government Gazette" of the 11th instant, containing a Proclamation by the Governor bringing the said Act into operation from and after the 31st proximo in respect of the Resident Magistrates' Court at Lyttelton.

The above Court only has been proclaimed, it being unadvisable that two Courts should possess a concurrent jurisdiction, as from the wording of the Act the extended powers are conferred upon the Court, and not upon any particular Resident-Magistrate.

I have the honor, &c.,

(Signed) E. W. STAFFORD.

PROCLAMATION.

By his Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

**W**HEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Resident Magistrates' Courts Extension of Jurisdiction Act, 1856," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, upon the request of the Superintendent of any Province, by Proclamation in the "Government Gazette," to bring the said Act into operation in respect to any Resident Magistrate's Court having jurisdiction within such Province from and after a certain day to be named in such Proclamation, and to define the districts within which cases may be heard in such Court under the provisions of this Act.

Now therefore, I, the Governor of New Zealand, upon the request of the Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, do hereby *Proclaim and Declare* that the said recited Act shall come into operation in respect of the Resident Magistrate's Court of Lyttelton, in the said Province, from and after the thirty-first day of December, in the year 1856, and that the said Province of Canterbury shall be the district within which cases may be heard in such Court under the provisions of the said recited Act.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Islands of New Zealand, at Auckland, in the Colony aforesaid this seventh day of November, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,  
Governor.

By His Excellency's command,

E. W. STAFFORD.

God Save the Queen.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
December 10, 1856.*

**HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT** directs the publica-

tion of the following letter, for general information.

T. B. KEELE,  
For the Provincial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, Nov. 18, 1856.*

SIR,—

I HAVE to inform your Honor that, as communications, direct from the writers, are frequently received by His Excellency's Government on matters relating to the administration of the Provincial Governments, it has been notified in the "Government Gazette" of the 11th instant, that all communications of that kind should in the first place be sent unsealed to the Superintendent of the Province to which they relate; in order that he might have an opportunity of accompanying them with such remarks as he may think necessary.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your Honor's very obedient servant,

E. W. STAFFORD.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Canterbury.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
November 29, 1856.*

THE Provincial Government are prepared to receive tenders for the establishment of a Ferry over the south branch of the Waimakariri, at the cuttings, opposite the new Ferry House, on the North-road.

The Government will provide the Contractor with a house and ten acres of land on the south side, and a quarter of an acre of land on the north side of the river.

The Contractor will have to find a Ferry-boat at least as large as the present boat at Jackson's Ferry, together with ropes and all other things necessary to keep the Ferry in working order.

Tenders must state the rate of Fares, for which the Contractor will undertake to work the Ferry.

The Ferry will be let for three years, and must be established not later than the 1st March, 1857.

Tenders must be sent to the Provincial Secretary's office before noon on Wednesday, the 31st December.

JOSEPH BRITIAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

PROCLAMATION.

I, JAMES EDWARD FITZGERALD, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, do hereby, in pursuance of the powers vested in me in that behalf, by the 23rd clause of the Regulations for the Disposal, Sale, Letting, and Occupation of the Waste Lands of the Crown, in the Province of Canterbury, and upon the recommendation of the Provincial Council, Proclaim and Declare, that the Lands hereinafter described shall be reserved for the following purposes; that is to say:—

1. Two hundred acres, more or less, situated in the Christchurch district, above Riccarton, commencing at the north-west corner of section 346, thence along the north-western boundary line of the said section No. 346 to the north-eastern corner thereof on the water-course running into the Heathcote, following up the said watercourse (north-westerly) and in a straight line, altogether a distance of about 50 chains, thence south-westerly in a line parallel to the aforesaid north-western boundary line of section No. 346 to the high bank of the Heathcote, and returning along the said high bank to the commencing point, subject to a road one chain wide from the north-western corner of section No. 156 to the north-eastern corner of section 327, and numbered 92 in red, for a lunatic asylum, subject to pre-emptive right 128.

2. Twenty acres, more or less, situated in the Christchurch district, bounded on the north and west by the Wairapa stream, in the south-west by section No. 117 about 21 chains, and in the south-east by a line from the north-eastern boundary of section No. 117 to the Wairapa, and numbered 93 in red, for a gravel pit, subject to pre-emptive right 168.

3. Twenty acres, more or less, situated near Kaiapoi, in the ford between the north road and the road along the northern boundary of the Native reserve, and numbered 94 in red for a gravel pit, subject to pre-emptive right 153.

4. One quarter of an acre on the northern bank of the Waimakariri, opposite the New Ferry, being bounded on the east by the reserve of 66 feet

along the river bank, on the south by the road to the westward from the New Ferry, on the west by the north road, and north between the said road and the reserve, along the river to the extent of a quarter of an acre, for the use of the Ferry.

5. One hundred acres on the northern bank of the Rakaia commencing at the 14th mile post, extending up the river half a mile and back to the extent of 100 acres subject to the South road, and a reserve of 66 feet, along the bank of the river, for the use of the Ferry, subject to Pre-emptive right 238.

6. The standing timber in the river beds and on the islands of the Waimakiriri, Rakaia, Ashburton, and Rangitata.

Given under my hand at Christchurch, this 29th day of November, in the year of our Lord, 1856.  
JAMES EDWARD FITZ GERALD,  
Superintendent.

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

God Save the Queen.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
November 29, 1856.*

HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT directs it to be notified that the undermentioned lands temporarily reserved have been approved by the Provincial Council in accordance with the Waste Lands' Regulations:—

Reserve for a Church and School in Little Akaroa, gazetted June 21, 1856.

Reserve at the Salt Water Creek for maintaining a Ferry and House of Accommodation, gazetted, June 21, 1856.

JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, Nov. 27, 1856.*

HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT has been pleased to appoint

JOHN COWELL BOYS, Esq.,

To be an Assistant Surveyor for the Province of Canterbury.

JOSEPH BRITTAN,  
Provincial Secretary.

## SALE OF TOWN RESERVES.

### PUBLIC NOTICE.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, Christchurch, Dec. 19, 1856.*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,—That the several Sections of Land specified in the subjoined List, having been applied for, in accordance with the Notice already published, the same will be put up to Sale by Public Auction at the "Golden Fleece" Hotel, in Christchurch, on *Wednesday*, the 31st day of December inst., subject to the usual conditions of sale in addition to the terms already notified.

Sale to commence at 12 o'clock precisely.

By order of His Honor the Superintendent,

T. B. KEELE (for the Provincial Secretary).

Lot.	Sections.	Quantity.			Upset Price.		
		A	R	P	£	s	D
93	No. 25 .....	2	2	30	134	7	6
94	" 139, 140, 146, and 147 .....	4	1	30	221	17	6
95	" 271, and 272 .....	1	0	0	50	0	0
96	" 280 to 284, and 289 to 293, both inclusive .....	5	0	0	250	0	0
97	" 354, 355, and 356 .....	1	2	0	75	0	0
98	" 373, and 382 .....	1	0	0	50	0	0
99	" 374, and 383 .....	1	0	0	50	0	0
100	" 453 .....	1	0	17	55	6	3
101	" 467, 469, 471, 473 .....	4	1	30	221	17	6
Total .....		22	0	27	1,108	8	9