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By His Honor's Command,

F. E. STEWART,  
Provincial Secretary.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, Jan. 11, 1867.

**H**IS Honor the Superintendent directs it to be notified that MONDAY, the 14th instant will be observed as a General Holiday, for the Reception of His Excellency the Governor.

F. E. STEWART,  
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Christchurch, January 5, 1867.

**H**IS Honor the Superintendent directs it to be notified that he has appointed

A. W. ROWLAND

to be Poundkeeper at the Leeston Pound.

F. E. STEWART,  
Provincial Secretary.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

SHIP "MERMAID."

**T**HE Commissioners report that they found all the Immigrants' compartments on board the ship "Mermaid" in a cleanly and orderly condition, and that the Immigrants expressed themselves as satisfied with the treatment they had received

upon the voyage from the master, surgeon and officers.

The rations had been of good quality, and plentifully supplied.

No cases of sickness of any serious import had occurred throughout the voyage.

Great inconvenience had occurred through the mixing, in the same compartment, of free steerage passengers with the assisted immigrants, these being upon different dietary scales, and to some extent under different discipline. In the single men's compartment, some of the free passengers refused to take their turn in cleansing the deck, &c., impeding the maintenance of discipline and regularity. To this evil the Commissioners have, on previous occasions, drawn the attention of the Government.

An exception to the general expression of satisfaction among the immigrants had occurred in the married people's compartment, through one of the bunks being injudiciously placed immediately under three of the ventilators which admit air from the deck. These allowed rain and sea-water to enter the bunk during bad weather, and exposed its occupants to the discomforts of cold and wet.

The matron is reported to have endeavoured to perform her duties, but to have wanted capacity.

The supply of water from the condenser had been plentiful and good.

The Commissioners have much pleasure in recommending that all gratuities should be paid.

R. R. ARMSTRONG.  
W. M. DONALD.  
JOHN T. ROUSE.  
F. D. GIBSON.

RICH. R. ARMSTRONG.  
Immigration Officer.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND,  
CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

In the matter of "The Debtors and Creditors Acts;" and

In the matter of William Meddings the younger of Papanui in the Province of Canterbury formerly carrying on business as a Baker Grocer and General Dealer but now out of business a debtor not in custody.

IN CHAMBERS :

Friday this 21st day of December 1866.

UPON the application of Mr. Nottidge of Counsel for the said petitioner Wil-

liam Meddings after reading the petition presented this day purporting to be signed by the said petitioner such debtor as aforesaid and to be concurred in by Henry Vale of Papanui aforesaid Wheelwright and Thomas Cooper of Christchurch in the Province aforesaid Builder creditors to the extent of not less than fifty pounds sterling in the whole and also certain schedules and also an affidavit of the said William Meddings to the said petition annexed and therewith filed this day pursuant to the said Acts this Court being satisfied of the truth of the matters contained in the said petition doth hereby grant an ad interim order of protection to protect the person and estate of the said William Meddings from arrest execution or other legal process until further order of the Court And the Court doth hereby appoint Wednesday the Twentieth day of February next at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the hearing of such petition at the Court House Christchurch aforesaid.

By the Court,

CHRISTOPHER ALDERSON CALVERT,  
(L.S.) Registrar.

MACFARLAN and NOTTIDGE,  
Solicitors for the said debtor.

**RETURN OF SHEEP INSPECTED BY THE INSPECTORS OF SHEEP FOR THE PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY  
DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1866.**

Date of In- spection.	Date of preceding In- spection.	Name of Station.	Where situate.	Name of Manager or Owner.	No. of Sheep on the Station.	No. of Sheep inspected.	Result.	Date on which Sheep were last dressed	REMARKS.
<b>NORTHERN DISTRICT.</b>									
1866: Dec. 3	....	Government Yards	Hurunui .. ..	Macfarlane & Bruce (a)	....	1,500	Clean ..	....	Fat wethers from the Cheviot Hills.
" 25	....	Do. .. ..	Do. ....	Ditto (b) .. ..	....	1,515	Do.		
" 28	....	Horsley Downs ..	Do. .. ..	J. W. Mallock .. ..	55,000	5,000	Do.		
" 28	....	Do. .. ..	Do. .. ..	Ditto .. ..	....	21,000	Do.		
" 31	....	White Rock ..	Ashley .. ..	J. Macfarlane .. ..	18,000	300	Scabby.		
<b>CENTRAL DISTRICT.</b>									
Dec. 1 " 3	....	Grassmere...	Upper Waimakariri	C. G. Hawdon (c) ..	19,000	12,000	Clean.		Being spotted.
" 9 " 10	Oct. 1	Mount Hutt ..	Rakaia, South ..	H. P. M. Aynsley ..	12,000	6,500	Do. ..	July 1	
" 10	Sept. 26	Highbank ..	Do. ....	Thos. Allen .. ..	19,000	1,000	Seabby	....	
" 11	Sept. 14	Ashburton ..	Ashburton.. ..	Jas. Drife .. ..	7,000	500	Do. ..	June 18	
" 12	Sept. 14	Do. ....	Do. ....	Ditto .. ..	5,000	5,000	Clean ...	June 18	
" 12	....	Rokeby .. ..	Rakaia, South ...	F. Pitt .. ..	15,000	6,000	Do.		
" 12	....	Aston .. ..	Do. ....	D. M'Lean.. ..	30,000	2,000	Do.		
" 13	....	....	Selwyn .. ..	R. J. S. Harman.. ..	4,000	500	Do.		
" 13	Nov. 6	Farm .. ..	Leeston .. ..	J. R. Collisson .. ..	800	800	Do. ..	June 6	
" 19	....	Do. ....	Papanui .. ..	R. H. Rhodes .. ..	150	150	Do.		
" 31	....	Do. ....	Racecourse ..	E. Turton .. ..	150	150	Do.		
<b>SOUTHERN DISTRICT.</b>									
Dec. 1	....	Orari Gorge ..	Geraldine .. ..	J. Irvine .. ..	15,500	4,000	Clean.		
" 22	....	Parcra .. ..	Timaru .. ..	H. Ford .. ..	27,000	400	Do.		
" 25	....	Springs .. ..	Rangitata .. ..	E. Coeper .. ..	12,000	3,500	Do.		

Christchurch, 3rd January, 1867.

P. B. BOULTON, Chief Inspector of Sheep.

(a) DECLARATION.—I, T. W. Bruce, of Coralynn, do hereby solemnly declare that the Sheep, 1,500 in number, marked —, now being depastured by me at the Hurunui Crossing, have not within three months last past had applied to any of them any reputed scab-destroying preparation, nor been mixed with any Sheep infected with scab or catarrh; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true. THOMAS W. BRUCE.  
Declared before me at Barnett's, this 3rd day of December, 1866.—A. RAMSAY SCARVELL, Inspector of Sheep.

Evidence of Robert Campbell, corroboration of T. W. Bruce's declaration for 1,500 sheep from the Cheviot Hills run:—That he is living on the Cheviot Hills run, and that the flock from which these sheep have been drafted have not been scabby for at least two years, and not been dipped during that time. ROBERT CAMPBELL.  
Barnett's, 3rd December, 1866.

(b) DECLARATION.—I, Andrew Curle, of Coralynn, do hereby solemnly declare that the Sheep, 1515 in number, marked —, now being depastured by me at the Hurunui Crossing, have not within three months last past had applied to any of them any reputed scab-destroying preparation, nor been mixed with any Sheep infected with scab or catarrh; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true. ANDREW CURLE.  
Declared before me at Barnett's, this 25th day of December, 1866.—A. RAMSAY SCARVELL, Inspector of Sheep.

I certify that the fifteen hundred (1,500) fat wethers that are sold to Macfarlane and Bruce, from the Cheviot Hills, were never dipped, nor ever mixed with scabby sheep. Wm. GERARD.  
Cheviot Hills, 21st December, 1866.

(c) DECLARATION.—I, Cyril G. Hawdon, of Grassmere, do hereby solemnly declare that my Sheep, branded —, being 12,000 in number, now being at Grassmere have not within three months last past had applied to any of them any reputed scab-destroying preparation, nor within three months been mixed with any Sheep infected with scab or catarrh; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true. CYRIL G. HAWDON.  
Declared before me at Grassmere, this 2nd day of December 1866.—R. F. HOLDERNESS, Inspector of Sheep.

RETURN of SHEEP, inspected by the Inspector of Sea-borne Sheep, imported into Lyttelton during the month of December, 1866.

Date	Proprietor.	Ship.	Whence.	No. of Sheep inspected.	Result.	Remarks.
1866: December 10 ...	Thomas Tierney (a) .....	Taranaki .....	Auckland ....	66 .....	Clean.	—
„ 13 ...	Walter Ballintyn (b).....	Otago .....	Melbourne....	250 .....	Clean.	—
„ 28 ...	James Smith (c) .....	Albion.....	Melbourne....	5 .....	Clean.	—

Christchurch, 5th January, 1867.

P. B. BOULTON,  
Chief Inspector of Sheep.

(a) DECLARATION.—I, Thomas Tierney, of Auckland, do hereby solemnly declare that the sheep, 66 in number, marked —, on board of the vessel "Taranaki," Captain Francis, Commander, now lying at Lyttelton in the said Province, have not within three months last past had applied to any of them any reputed scab-destroying preparation, nor been mixed with any sheep infected with scab or catarrh; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true.  
THOMAS TIERNEY.  
Declared before me, at Lyttelton, this 10th day of December, 1866.—WILLIAM PALFREY, Inspector of Sheep.

(b) DECLARATION.—I, Walter Ballintyn, for Messrs. H. Matson and Co., of Christchurch, do hereby solemnly declare that the sheep, 250 in number, marked —, on board of the vessel "Otago," Clayton, Commander, now lying at Lyttelton, in the said Province, have not within three months last past had applied to any of them any reputed scab-destroying preparation, nor been mixed with any sheep infected with scab or catarrh; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true.  
WALTER BALLINTYN.  
Declared before me at Lyttelton, this 13th day of December, 1866.—WILLIAM PALFREY, Inspector of Sheep.

(c) DECLARATION.—I, James Smith, of Lyttelton, Agent to Messrs. L. G. Cole and Co., do hereby solemnly declare that the sheep, five in number, marked —, on board of the vessel "Albion," Kidney, Commander, now lying at Lyttelton, in the said Province, have not within three months last past had applied to any of them any reputed scab-destroying preparation, nor been mixed with any sheep infected with scab or catarrh; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true.  
JAMES SMITH,  
Agent for L. G. COLE & Co.  
Declared before me at Lyttelton, this 28th day of December, 1866.—WILLIAM PALFREY, Inspector of Sheep.

RETURN of Seaborne Sheep dipped under inspection at the Licensed Dips, for the month of December, 1866.

Date when Landed.	Date of Dipping.	Proprietor.	Ship.	Whence.	Sheep Dipped in Wool or Shorn in Christchurch.	Registered Brand.	No. of Sheep Dipped.	Strength of Dipping Preparation.	Proprietor of Licensed Dip.	Remarks.
1866: Dec. 10	1866: Dec. 18	T. Tierney ....	Taranaki ...	Auckland	Shorn .....	—	40	25 lbs. of Tobacco to 15 gallons	J. H. Bennett ...	26 sheep sent to Dunedin.
„ 13	„ 29	Matson & Co.	Otago.....	Melbourne	50 shorn 195 in wool	—	245	Ditto	Ditto.	—

I certify the above to be a correct Return.

Christchurch, 5th January, 1867.

P. B. BOULTON,  
Chief Inspector of Sheep.

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