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By His Honor's Command,
EDWARD JOLLIE,
Provincial Secretary.

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No. XXII.

PROCLAMATION

By His Honor WILLIAM SEFTON MOORHOUSE, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury.

WHEREAS by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury, entitled "The Education Ordinance, 1864," it is, among other things, enacted that whenever the Board of Education shall call by advertisement a public meeting of owners and occupiers of land and householders in any district, and such meeting shall declare by the votes of the majority of the persons present (being such owners and occupiers of land and householders as aforesaid), that they are willing that the said district be formed into an Educational District under the provisions of the said Ordinance, and shall declare their willingness to provide the proportion of the annual expenses of an Educational District, the Superintendent shall, as soon as conveniently may be, by Proclamation in the *Provincial Government Gazette*, declare such district to be an Educational District under the said Ordinance, and such district shall thereupon become an Educational District accordingly.

And Whereas at a meeting duly called as aforesaid, and held at the Southbridge Hotel Southbridge, on Monday, the Twenty-seventh day of April last, the owners and occupiers of land and householders in the district specified in the Schedule hereunto annexed, did, by the votes of the majority there present, declare

that they were willing that the said District should be formed into an Educational District; and further declare their willingness to provide the proportion of the annual expenses of an Educational District as provided in the said Ordinance:

Now therefore I, WILLIAM SEFTON MOORHOUSE, Superintendent of the said Province, in pursuance of the power in me vested by the said in part recited Ordinance, do hereby proclaim that the district specified in the Schedule hereunto annexed, shall be an Educational District within the meaning of the said Ordinance.

Given under my hand at Christchurch, this 11th day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

W. S. MOORHOUSE,

Superintendent of Canterbury.

By his Honor's command,
EDWARD JOLLIE,
Provincial Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHBRIDGE EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT.

Bounded on the east by Lake Ellesmere; on the north by the Leeston District, to the junction of the Tamutu and Bridge's Road with Fereday's Road; thence in a straight line to Triggpole I.; and thence continuing the same straight line to the River Rakaia; on the west by the River Rakaia; and on the south by the sea.

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RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

DEDUCED FROM DAILY REGISTERS KEPT AT THE
GOVERNMENT STATIONS IN CHRISTCHURCH, HOKITIKA, AND BEALEY,
FOR APRIL, 1868.

		CHRISTCHURCH STATION.	HOKITIKA STATION.*	BEALEY STATION.†
Latitude		- 43° 32' 16" S.	- 42° 41' 30" S.	- 43° 2' S.
Longitude		- 172° 38' 59" E.	- 170° 59' E.	- 171° 37' E.
Height above Sea		- 21 feet.	- 8 feet.	- 2,100 feet.
Distance from Sea		- 5 miles.	- ¼ mile.	- 38 miles (West Coast).

		CHRISTCHURCH.	HOKITIKA.	BEALEY.‡	
Barometer corrected and reduced to 32 deg. F.	Mean	29.763	29.915	27.39	
	Highest in Month	(7th) 30.178	(7th) 30.369	(7th) 28.02	
	Lowest in Month	(29th) 29.072	(29th) 29.579	(29th) 27.15	
Self-registering Thermometers.	In Shade, and protected.	Mean Temperature of Atmosphere	54.6	52.5	49.3
		Mean of all Highest	64.5	58.4	57.0
		Mean of all Lowest	44.8	46.6	41.6
		Highest in Month	(10 11) 74.7	(16th) 64.6	(1st) 68.4
		Lowest in Month	(26th) 31.4	(27th) 36.4	(27th) 28.0
		Mean Daily Range	19.7	11.8	15.4
	Maximum in Sun.	Mean	95.2	74.7	59.8
		Highest	(10th) 119.2	(16th) 81.0	(16th) 78.5
	Minimum on Grass.	Mean	33.8	41.5	28.9
		Lowest	(26th) 20.0	(21st) 29.9	(26th) 16.0
Hygrometer (deductions).	Mean Temperature of Evaporation	50.4	51.8	46.5	
	Mean Temperature of Dew Point	46.4	51.1	43.5	
	Mean Tension of Vapour	.316	.377	.283	
	Mean Humidity (saturation=100)	73	96	80	
	Mean Weight of a Cubic Foot of Air	536.9 grains	540.0 grains	498.0 grains	
	Mean Weight of Vapour in a Cubic Foot of Air	3.5 "	4.2 "	3.2 "	
	Mean Weight required to saturate a Cubic Foot of Air	1.2 "	0.2 "	0.8 "	
Rain.	Total amount collected in Inches	0.632	8.97	8.34	
	Greatest Fall in one Day	(5th) 0.420	(14th) 1.87	(4th) 1.94	
	Number of Days it Fell	4	20	20	
Wind.	Mean Velocity in Miles per Day	128	144	110	
	Greatest Velocity in Miles per Day	(29th) 262	(29th) 340	(9th) 263	
Cloud.	Mean Amount (0=clear,) (10=overcast)	3.1	6.3	5.5	

* Observer at Hokitika, JAMES ROCHFORD, Esq., County Engineer.

† Observer at Bealey, JOHN M. MUNCE, Esq., Telegraph Manager.

‡ By Aneroid.

REMARKS.

CHRISTCHURCH.

A remarkably fine month. Rain fell on three days only, viz.: on the afternoon of the 4th, with some hail, and in showers on

the 14th and 15th. The 22nd and 25th were overcast and dull; but the remaining days of the month were beautifully fine and clear, with warm sunshine and light winds.

The greatest cold registered by exposed thermometers was 20°0 on the night of the 26th; twelve other nights in the month were more or less frosty. The greatest heat in the sun's rays was 95°2. Range between the extreme temperature of day and night: 75°2. There were no gales or very high winds. The greatest velocity of the wind in 24 hours was 262 on the 29th. Total range of temperature in the shade, 43°3; or from 74°7 to 31°4. The mean temperature of the month, 54°6, was exactly the same as for the last four years. The total rainfall, 0·632 inches, was 0·370 below the mean for the month. Spontaneous evaporation, 2·474 inches. Mean direction of the wind, east by south.

Rainfall from January 1 to April 30, each year, as follows:

1868	...	12·962	inches	on	39	days
1867	...	6·057	"	"	18	days
1866	...	7·648	"	"	27	days
1865	...	6·954	"	"	26	days
1864	...	3·960	"	"	26	days

HOKITIKA.

A very unsettled month. More or less rain fell, on an average, on two days out of every three; the heaviest falls being 1·14, 1·03, and 1·87 inches on the 2nd, 4th, and 13th, respectively. The total fall, 8·97 inches,

on 20 days. There were gales or very high

Rainfall from January 1st to April 30th, winds on the 5th, 11th, 13th, and 19th; and thunderstorms on the nights of the 3rd and 19th. Fog occurred on five days, and frost on three nights. Relative humidity, 96 in the highest monthly mean yet registered at the station. Mean direction of the wind, east, north-east.

each year, as follows:—

1868	...	38.52	inches	on	71	days
1867	...	34.30	"	"	72	days
1866	...	63.60	"	"	99	days

BEALEY.

Weather throughout somewhat similar to what prevailed at Hokitika; very wet in the beginning of the month especially. Rain fell on 20 days equal to 8·34 inches. The heaviest fall was 1·94 inches on the 4th. There were occasional slight fogs in the morning or evening. Gales of wind occurred on the 18th and 29th. Frost on twenty nights; the greatest cold registered was 16°0 on the 26th. Mean direction of the wind north-west by west. Rainfall from January 1st to April 30th, 36·75 inches on 65 days.

R. L. HOLMES,

Observer, Christchurch.

May 12, 1868.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Christchurch, 14th May, 1868.

HIS Honor the Superintendent directs it to be notified that he has appointed

CONSTABLE CHARLES GREENWOOD

to be Inspector of Slaughter-houses for the Christchurch District, *vice* Constable George Beatty transferred.

EDWD. JOLLIE,

Provincial Secretary.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.— SHIP GAINSBOROUGH.

THE Commissioners having visited the ship Gainsborough on her arrival in Port, are happy to be able to give a very favourable report, both as to the cleanliness and order shewn in the various compartments, and the general expression of content and satisfaction among the immigrants.

The provisions are stated to have been of good quality, and amply supplied, with the exception of flour, some samples of which had been condemned.

The condenser (Graveley's) had worked well throughout the voyage.

The conduct of the single female immigrants was stated by the captain, surgeon-superintendent, and matron to have been good. Some difficulties had, however, arisen from a cause to which the Commissioners have had the honour of drawing the attention of the Government in previous reports, *viz.*, the allowing single young men as saloon passengers in ships carrying Government immigrants. In this case, no misconduct of a grave nature occurred, but the vigilance of those in charge had been considerably taxed.

The supply of medical comforts and of medicines had been ample.

Neither birth nor death, nor any case of dangerous illness, had occurred on the voyage.

The Commissioners recommend that all gratuities be paid. They are happy to be able to remark that the suggestion made by them some time since—that the hospital devoted to the single females should be in their own compartment, instead of in the married people's—has in this instance been carried out.

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