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ADDRESS OF HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT, ON OPENING THE THIRTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL OF THE PROVINCE OF OTAGO, MAY 6, 1873.

MR SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL,

In opening the 31st Session of the Provincial Council, it may be well briefly to epitomise the leading features which indicate the progress of the Province since I last addressed you.

The declared value of the imports during the past financial year has been £1,884,998, while the import duty has amounted to £262,000, or equal to about one-third of the customs revenue of the Colony. Unfortunately, however, of this sum none has found its way into the Provincial treasury.

The gold exported during the year has been 169,212 as against 166,372 ounces during the previous year.

The total value of Provincial produce exported, inclusive of gold, amounts to £2,279,663, as against £1,190,000 for the year before. This is equal to £70 per head for each statute adult in the Province, an amount which I venture say is unequalled in any other part of the world.

The revenue received from gold duty, miners' rights, and business licenses on gold fields has been £39,790 13s 2d, as against £41,816 in the previous year. Although this shows a slight decrease of revenue for the year, it will be seen that the gold exported exhibits a small increase, the difference is to be attributed partly to the reduction of the gold duty by 6d per ounce.

The total receipts from all sources into the Provincial treasury during the year has been £338,000 as against £289,000 during the previous year.

Last year, as you are aware, we began with a bank over-draft amounting to £40,497, this year we commence with a balance in our favor of £16,693.

The expenditure during the past year, including payment of the over-draft, has amounted to £279,522; of this sum, after providing for Education, Police, Jails, Hospitals, Lunatic Asylum, Harbors, Interest on Loans, and other permanent departmental charges, there have been expended on roads, bridges, and other public works £82,874.

The immigration from the United Kingdom for the year amounted to 1,525, while there have been born in the Province 3,000 souls.

The number of deaths for the year was 720; the number of marriages for the same period was 492.

During the year 12 additional schools have been established, making the total of public schools throughout the Province 127, with a teaching staff of 190.

There have been sold 203,138 acres of rural land, distributed among 401 different purchasers; of town allotments there have been sold 761 acres, to 401 different purchasers; of agricultural leases on gold fields there have been granted 136, covering an area of 10,389 acres.

The foregoing statement, although somewhat dry, perhaps, will serve to indicate the extent of settlement and the general progress of the Province since we last met.

I am happy to say generally that at no period since the commencement of the settlement has it been more prosperous than now. There is a life and a buoyancy throughout every department of industry which has never been exceeded, and at no time have commercial obligations been more regularly met. It is a striking feature in the history of the past year that the business of the Bankruptcy Court has been, comparatively speaking, nil.

It is in no spirit of self complacency that I call your attention to these facts. Under the circumstances, however, it appears to me that, whatever be our differences of opinion as to who are the best men to administer public affairs, we may fairly indulge in mutual congratulation and thankfulness.

Naseby Water Works

Referring to the Gold Fields, you will be glad to learn that your resolutions respecting the Race at Naseby are at length being complied with. An expenditure of some £40,000 is being incurred, which it is believed will amply recoup itself, and afford profitable employment to a large number of people who must otherwise have left the district.

Gold Fields

Gentlemen,—While on this subject, it affords me pleasure to call your attention to the fact that Otago has not experienced that diminution of its gold production which has unfortunately befallen the other gold producing Provinces of New Zealand. The increase for the year, small though it be, is the more satisfactory, seeing that a large number of miners have been induced to engage themselves on other works, and seeing that water for sluicing purposes during the past six months has been exceedingly scarce in many districts. We may fairly regard the increased yield of our gold workings under the circumstances as an evidence of the great vitality and permanence of this industry. An increased tendency is manifested among capitalists and others to look upon mining ventures as a legitimate means of investment, and several companies have been started under very favorable auspices. I cannot overrate the importance of facilitating as much as possible mutual co-operation of the investing and the mining interests, in order to the development of the many thousands of acres of rich auriferous deposits which are known to exist throughout the Province, deposits the development of which is beyond the reach of ordinary mining partnerships, and can only be advantageously attained by companies with large capital. With a view to the more complete development of the gold fields, and the mitigation of grievances to which the mining community are at present subjected, a new Gold Fields Bill has been very carefully prepared, which, it is hoped, will become law next Session of the General Assembly.

Dunedin and Port Chalmers Railway

I have to congratulate you on the completion of the Dunedin and Port Chalmers Railway, in a style which, as regards workmanship, will compare favorably with any other railway work in the Colony. As you are aware, the General Assembly last year authorised the purchase of the railway from the promoters, which purchase has recently been concluded, the line being now in the hands of the Province. It is estimated that the traffic receipts will amply recoup the Province, and that they are likely to increase yearly in amount as the lines into the interior are extended, and the requirements of the traffic are provided for by additional pier accommodation and warehouses.

Paper Manufactory

I am happy to say that the offered bonus for the establishment of a paper factory has at length so far had the desired effect, and that a bond has been entered into which, in due time, will result in a paper mill on the banks of the Mataura, where it is understood that a suitable site has been secured.

Sperm Whale Bonus

Some years ago a bonus was offered for the encouragement of sperm whaling, to which, however, there was no response. There is reason to believe that if the offer be renewed, there are parties in the Province now who are prepared to entertain the proposal. £500, or even double the sum, would be well spent if it should have the effect of turning to account by ourselves of the rich mine which surrounds our shores, and which is being so profitably worked by strangers.

There are several subjects of importance to which it is proposed to solicit your attention during the present Session.

School accommodation

First, perhaps, is the absolute necessity of providing adequate school accommodation throughout the Province. In many of the existing school buildings the children are so crowded that there is a choice of two evils,—either to withdraw them from the school, or to educate their minds at the expense of their bodies. In some of the school-houses the accommodation is so limited that it is physically impossible to crowd the children into them. From a statement furnished by the Inspector of Schools, which will be submitted to you, it will be seen that at least £27,000 is required to provide adequate school accommodation, an amount which, in addition to the annual requirements in respect of teachers' salaries, repairing buildings, etc., involves a much larger drain upon the ordinary revenue of the Province than is either called for or warranted. It is proposed that, say £1,500 a year, out of the £11,000 which are now derived from rentals of property at the disposal of the Education Board should be set aside for 30 years for the purpose of providing school accommodation, in which the future is as much interested as the present. Should you concur in this proposal, there will be no difficulty, I apprehend, in getting the necessary Act passed by the Colonial Legislature, and a sum of £30,000 will be available for the objects in view. Upon the subject of Education generally, I have much pleasure in soliciting your attention to the very valuable and exhaustive report of Mr. Hislop, the Inspector of Schools; a report which embodies many most important practical suggestions,—suggestions which are being given effect to by the Education Board, in so far as it is empowered, to do so. Perhaps, however, the most valuable suggestions of all are those which cannot be

School Inspector's Report

carried out without your concurrence. I allude to the appointment of an additional Inspector of Schools, and the establishment of a Normal or Training School in which to educate competent teachers. To my mind, it is manifest that, if we are to have value for the money which we are expending in Education, it is absolutely necessary that there should be complete and thorough inspection of schools, and the means of turning out a sufficient number of teachers specially trained for the all important work of Education. I hope that you will concur with me in making adequate provision for both these objects.

Additional School Inspector
Training Schools

I regret to find that there seems to exist a good deal of dissatisfaction with regard to the Dunedin Boys' High School. A movement is being made to transfer the control of the School from the Education Board to the University Council. I fail to see, however, that such a change will at all tend to mend matters, inasmuch as it is believed that the quality of the teaching is quite as good now as it is likely to be then. What is required is an adequate number of scholars to attend the school, and I do not think that any change of management will effect this. The truth is, that the circumstances of the Province have entirely altered since the school was founded, and the establishment of the Otago University, together with that of the various Grammar Schools, which afford a comparatively high class education throughout the Province, have so far removed the necessity which existed for the High School at the time of its erection. Under all the circumstances of the case, it is evident that something must be done to place the school on a more satisfactory footing. With this view a Commission has been appointed to enquire into the subject. Pending the report of the Commission, it may be well to defer taking any action in the matter.

Boys' High School

Gentlemen,—Another very important subject to which I desire to solicit your favorable attention is the completion of the Southern Trunk Railway. You are aware that contracts are now under way for the construction of the line from Dunedin to Clutha and from Invercargill to Maitara. Unless, however, and until the line is constructed between Clutha and Maitara, the railway will be comparatively useless as a main trunk line; and I feel assured that if the matter is left to the Colonial Government, it will be years before the missing link in the chain is provided.

Railway, Clutha to Maitara

It is therefore proposed that the Province should at once proceed with the construction of that portion of the railway, together with a branchlet of some eight or ten miles to Tapanui. There is nothing to prevent the work being finished in a couple of years, so as to enable an unbroken line right through to Invercargill to be opened for traffic. The estimated cost of the work, independent of the branch to Tapanui and exclusive of rolling stock, is £150,000, an amount which can be produced from sales of the land through which the line would be constructed.

There are between Clutha and Maitara some 300,000 acres of Crown land, much of which is admirably adapted for settlement, and which only requires a railway to render it available. Proposals have been submitted for the construction of this line within two years of date of contract, payment to be made at the rate of £30,000 a year for the first two years, and the balance within one year of the completion of the line. Should you concur in this mode of payment, there will be no difficulty in procuring the necessary funds by disposing of not more than a sufficient quantity of land in the district to meet the first two payments as they become due, and reserving the remainder from sale until the line is completed. Run No. 111 alone, through which the railway passes, will, if reserved until the contract is completed and then sold in ordinary-sized farms, go far to meet the last payment.

I should be glad if we could see our way to the adoption of a similar process as respects the line from Dunedin to Moeraki. It is of the utmost importance if the railway system is to be an immediate success—that the main trunk line should be at once completed from the one end of the Province to the other. Should you be of this opinion, and agree to the hypothecating of land by way of security, there will (in the event of the Colonial Government not doing so) be little difficulty in proceeding with the Moeraki line without delay. We should thus secure an unbroken line of rail from Waitaki to the Bluff and Lake Wakatipu, thereby enabling the growers of agricultural produce to compete in the markets of the world, by means of speedy and cheap transit to the port of shipment, and saving a large proportion of the annual expenditure which must otherwise be involved in the formation and maintenance of metalled roads—expenditure which may be directed towards works in the interior of the Province instead.

Railway, Dunedin to Moeraki

It is intended this year very considerable to increase the appropriation towards the main road to the Lakes, both by way of Naseby and Roxburgh—that portion of the road extending from Clyde to Queenstown especially requires to be rendered safe for carriage traffic. I believe we have no conception of the number of travellers from Australia or the extent of traffic which will cross the island so soon as a practicable road is discovered from Lake Wakatipu to Milford Sound.

Main Road to Interior.

The estimated revenue for the current year will enable a larger amount of public works to be undertaken throughout the interior of the Province than has been the case for several years past. The estimates have been carefully prepared, with a view to making the most of, and equitably distributing the means at our disposal.

Estimates

As you are aware, Local Road Boards during the past year have been subsidised to the extent of £2 to £1. Should the General Assembly continue its road board subsidy, the same rate will, it is anticipated, be maintained during the current year also. In any case it is proposed to subsidise

Road Board Subsidie

Roads on Gold Fields Subsidies out of Provincial revenue to the extent of pound for pound. It is to be regretted that the Road Board system has not been taken advantage of within the gold fields. It is proposed, however, to subsidise local contributions on gold fields to the same extent as District Road Board Rates from Provincial revenue.

Northern Districts Loan The Colonial Legislature, at its last Session, authorised a special loan of £70,000 for certain specified public works in the Northern district of the Province. Of this sum £24,000 is being expended on the Breakwater at Oamaru,—a work which is now progressing favorably, and which promises to be a great success. A further sum of £25,000 is to be expended on a Tramway from the main line up the valley of the Waitaki, which has been surveyed to Awamoko. Plans and specifications are now ready, and tenders are being called for.

The sum of £13,000 is available for roads and bridges, upon which it is being expended. A tender has just been accepted for the erection of stone bridges across the Otepopo River and the Island Stream. The remainder of the loan is to be devoted to Harbor works at Kakanui and Moeraki, with regard to which I hope to submit to you definite proposals before the Session closes.

With a view of enabling you to proceed without delay to the practical business of the country, the Estimates will be submitted at once, as well as all Resolutions and Bills proposed to be initiated by the Government.

Defence of Port Otago Papers will be laid before you relative to the defence of the Port of Otago against external aggression. There can be no doubt if the Port could be effectually defended against such an outlay of £10,000 to £15,000, the expenditure would be amply justified. This is a question which very closely affects every interest throughout the Province, when we reflect that there is frequently afloat at Port Chalmers property to the extent of half a million of money, which, in case of war, is absolutely at the mercy of any enemy that may choose to pounce upon it.

Friendly Societies An application has been made on behalf of the associated Friendly Societies, requesting that a suitable piece of ground may be granted to them for their annual and other gatherings. Considering the benevolent character of these societies, and the amount of distress relieved by them, which otherwise would have to be provided for by the State, I trust you will concur with me in giving effect to the application when it is formally submitted for your approval.

Immigration It will be seen from the correspondence with the Home Agency that a contract has been entered into on behalf of the Province for the resumption of Messrs P. Henderson and Co.'s line of emigrant ships from Glasgow to Otago direct, also that Mr Auld has been urged as to the expediency of conducting emigration by steamers direct to this Port. As the General Government has warmly approved of this suggestion, and has directed the Agent-General accordingly, I am not without hope that the proposal will be carried into effect. Although it is purposed to continue the Immigration vote upon the current year's Estimates, in case of contingencies, I do not anticipate that it will require to be operated upon, inasmuch as the Agent-General has been instructed to defray the cost of emigration to this Province out of the Immigration Loan. You will, I am sure, be glad to hear that the Colonial and Provincial Agencies are now working harmoniously.

Lunatic Asylum Another important proposal with which I venture to hope for your concurrence, is the removal from the present Lunatic Asylum of all able bodied patients who are pronounced incurable, of which now there are upwards of 40 in the institution, to a suitable farm in the country, where their labor might be made available not only for their own sustenance, but towards the support of the Asylum in Dunedin, and with advantage to their individual comfort. The nearest available land in possession of the Government is the Police paddock at Tokomairiro, containing 86 acres, through which the Southern Trunk Railway will pass, thus bringing the proposed site within two hours of Dunedin. Unless some such suggestion as this is adopted, it will be necessary still further to enlarge the Asylum buildings.

Dunedin Hospital A proposal will be submitted to you to throw open the Dunedin Hospital to the whole of the legally qualified medical practitioners in the city. Should the University Council establish a School of Medicine and Surgery, on the strength of which being done I agreed to the further endowment of 100,000 acres of land, it might be well to arrange that the Hospital should be connected with said school under the direction of the medical and surgical professors. I am also disposed to think that the Lunatic Asylum should be under the direction of the Professor of Mental Science in the University. These are important changes which commend themselves to the Executive Government, but with respect to which it is felt expedient that no action should be taken until the you shall have had an opportunity of expressing an opinion.

Harbor Reclamation A proposal has been submitted to the Government by responsible persons who are prepared to reclaim the whole of the mud flat at the head of Dunedin Bay, covering an area at low water of some 250 acres, the contracting party undertaking to finish the work within a stipulated time at their own cost, the net proceeds of reclamation when sold to be divided equally with the Government. There can be no doubt but the suggested reclamation would afford what is much needed in Dunedin, viz., suitable sites for manufacturing and business purposes, making room for a large consuming population, which would be beneficial to the producing interest throughout the Province. As, however, the reclamation now indicated, if carried out to the extent proposed, might by diminishing the tidal scour be prejudicial to the harbor—a hypothesis, by the way, upon which there are differences of opinion—I should be dis-

posed to err upon the safe side, and be contented with reclaiming to half way between high and low water mark, taking the material for reclamation from above low water mark. In this case the tidal volume would not be diminished, while, on sanitary grounds, the perpetual submersion of the mud flat in salt water would be of incalculable benefit to the community. Instead of conceding this operation to private parties, it appears to me that it should be undertaken by the Government. A report by the Provincial Engineer will be submitted to you, from which it will be seen that the probable profit by the transaction would amount to at least £20,000, an amount a portion or the whole of which might go towards the endowment of the Harbor Trust, and enable the Pilot and Harbor Dues to be done away with.

Referring to the question of a Harbor Trust I may say that application has been made to the Government to the effect that such trust might at once be constituted by ordinance and the Harbor Department transferred thereto. I presume that a Harbor Trust in order to be effective must be paid, and must either be endowed or possess powers of raising revenue. So long as the Harbor Department has to be provided out of the ordinary revenue, I fail to see any advantage that would accrue from the Provincial Council divesting itself of the administration. If an amount such as has been indicated can be procured from harbor reclamation—and there is no reason why it should not be so—then it appears to me that the constitution of a Harbor Trust, in which might be invested the amount in question, would be a step in the right direction, otherwise such a trust would only involve additional expense without any adequate advantage. I may say that the work of deepening the approaches to Dunedin Wharf is being vigorously prosecuted, and that in the course of a month vessels drawing twelve feet can be berthed and swung at Rattray Street Pier.

Correspondence will be submitted to you upon the vexed question of diversion of natural watercourses for gold mining purposes. This is a subject upon which the Government will be glad to receive the benefit of your deliberations,—involving, as it does, grave questions of compensation and the rights of property.

Your Resolutions last Session embodying new regulations for the disposal of the Waste Lands of the Crown have, with sundry modifications by the Colonial Legislature, become law. One of the most important of these modifications has been the practical removal of the administration of the Act from the control of the Executive Government, and the vesting thereof in an irresponsible Board. I regard this as the weak point in the Act, one which is very likely seriously to prejudice the public interest. Although it might, no doubt, be amended in as far as the representative branch of the legislature is concerned, there is little or no hope of such amendment being at present agreed to by the Legislative Council.

Your approval will be solicited in order to the declaration of the following blocks of land, as open for selection on deferred payments :—

2,500 acres near Tapanui	2,500 acres near Hawea
2,500 „ on the Waikaka	2,500 „ on Spott's Creek
2,500 „ near Switzer's	2,500 „ at Ida Valley
2,500 „ near Longford	2,500 „ at McCraes
2,500 „ near Ettrick	5,000 „ Tuapeka
2,500 „ near Roxburgh	
<hr/> 15,000	<hr/> 15,000

being in all 30,000 acres, the maximum area allowed by law to be dealt with in this shape during the present year.

I regret that this limitation precludes the setting aside of areas on similar terms in other districts, those now indicated being the best land and the most urgently required. Next year, however, it is hoped that the localities which we are now compelled to exclude will participate in the advantage of the deferred payment system.

I regret to say that the extensive depasturing district of Wakatipu has not been so satisfactorily administered as could be desired; the revenue derived from it compares somewhat unfavorably with that of the Tuapeka depasturing district.

With a view to promoting the interest of all concerned, a local Commission was lately appointed to enquire and report on the whole subject. The report of the Commission will be laid before you, and the Executive, prior to taking further action in the matter, will be glad to have your views thereupon.

It will be a question of consideration in the case of land of superior quality—the value of which will be greatly enhanced as the country becomes opened up by the extension of railways—how far it may not be expedient to increase the price, as provided by the Waste Lands Act. As you are aware, in the neighboring Province of Canterbury, in which agricultural settlement is being greatly extended, the price has never been under £2 an acre.

I have only to observe, in conclusion, that since we last met, circumstances with which you are already acquainted, and to which it is not necessary further to allude, have led to a change of my Responsible Advisers. The gentlemen who now occupy that position were induced to accept office very reluctantly, in the exercise of a public duty, and at my urgent solicitation. I feel assured that they possess the confidence of the country and I trust also of this Council. Be this as it may, I will venture to say that, apart from all consideration of party, and without disparagement to previous Administrations, never, since the establishment of the present system of Responsible Government, have the affairs of the Province been more prosperous or more efficiently conducted than at present.

Gentlemen,—I now declare this Council open for the despatch of business.

J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

IN conformity to the 29th section of the Gold Fields Act, 1866, and to the Regulations made under that Act and the Gold Fields Acts Amendment Acts of 1867, 1868, and 1869, for the granting of leases for gold mining purposes within the Province of Otago, it is hereby notified that it is intended to grant a lease for gold mining purposes of Crown Lands to the applicant specified in the annexed Schedule, unless there shall be valid objections against granting such lease.

Objections to the granting of such lease, stating the grounds of objection, must be made in writing and lodged with the Warden, at Queenstown, on or before the 23rd day of May, 1873.

Copy of the application made, and plans annexed, may be seen at the Warden's Office at Queenstown.

Given under my hand, at Dunedin, this 3rd day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

J. MACANDREW, Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Ah Tie, on behalf of Cum Yee Tong, for 8 acres of land, more or less, as the same may be found after survey to be within the pegs and trenches of the applicants, situated at Tucker's Beach, adjoining Ah Sim's agricultural lease.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

IN conformity to the 29th section of the "Gold Fields Act 1866," and to the Regulations made under that Act and the Gold Fields Acts Amendment Acts of 1867, 1868, and 1869, for the granting of leases, for gold mining purposes within the Province of Otago, it is hereby notified that it is intended to grant a lease for gold mining purposes of Crown Lands to the applicant specified in the annexed Schedule, unless there shall be valid objections against granting such lease.

Objections to the granting of such lease, stating the grounds of objection, must be made in writing and lodged with the Warden at Arrowtown, on or before the 12th day of May, 1873.

Copy of the application made, and plans annexed, may be seen at the Warden's Office at Arrowtown.

Given under my hand, at Dunedin, this 3rd day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

J. MACANDREW, Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Healey, Davis, and Roskrugé, on behalf of the Arrow United Company, for 10 acres of land, more or less, as the same may be found after survey to be within the pegs and trenches of the applicants, situated between the Gorge of Bush Creek and Arrow River.

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J. MACANDREW, Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Ah Chee, on behalf of Ah Chee and Company, for 8 acres of land, more or less, as the same may be found after survey to be within the pegs and trenches of the applicants, situated at Tucker's Beach, below the Gorge.

[Republished from last week's *Gazette* in consequence of an error in a few copies of the said *Gazette* respecting the time for pheasant shooting.]

PROCLAMATION.

By His Honor James Macandrew, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Otago.

PURSUANT to the powers delegated to me in that behalf, and under and by virtue of "The Protection of Animals Act 1867," and "The Protection of Animals Act Amendment Act 1868," I, James Macandrew, Esq., Superintendent of the Province of Otago, do hereby proclaim and appoint the months of March, April, May, and June as the months in which native game may be hunted, shot, taken, and killed within the Province of Otago, excluding the late Province of Southland: And I do further proclaim all that area of land lying between the Waikouaiti River and the Horse Range, within ten miles distance from the sea coast, to be open for the purpose of pheasant shooting during the months of June and July.

Given under my hand, and issued under the public seal of the Province of Otago, at Dunedin, this twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

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J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

ABSTRACT FROM PREVIOUS GAZETTES OF

Impounding Notices:—

16th May, Friday, noon, 4 steers will be sold at Hampden Pound.

16th May, Friday, noon, a bull will be sold at Hawkesbury Pound.

16th May, Friday, noon, a cow, a steer, 2 bullocks, and a mare will be sold at Lawrence Pound.

CONDITIONAL OFFERS will be received at the Office of the Secretary for Works until 15th May, 1873, from persons desirous of constructing a Bridge over the Kawarau Falls, Frankton.

Terms of conditions to be seen at the Provincial Engineer's Office, Dunedin; also at the Police Camp, Queenstown.

TENDERS will be received at the office of the Secretary for Works until noon of Tuesday, 3rd June, 1873, for

Contract No. 734.—Construction of light railway between Pukeuri Point and the Marewhenua.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and forms of tender obtained, at the office of the Engineer of Roads and Works, Dunedin, and at Police Camp, Oamaru.

Tenders to be endorsed "Awamoko Railway Tender for Contract No. 734."

The Government does not undertake to accept the lowest or any tender.

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

Dunedin, 6th May, 1873.

TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Secretary for Works, until noon of Tuesday, 10th June, 1873, for—

Contract No. 735.—Construction of 2 miles 12 chains of the Orepuki Tramway.

Plans and specifications may be seen and forms of tender obtained at the Office of the Engineer of Roads and Works, Dunedin, on and after 15th inst., and at Court House, Riverton.

Tenders to be endorsed "Orepuki Tramway Tender for Contract No. 735."

The Government does not undertake to accept the lowest, or any tender.

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

Dunedin, 6th May, 1873.

MOUNT IDA WATER RACE WORKS.

FRESH TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Secretary for Works until noon of Tuesday, 20th May, 1873, for

Contract No. 5.—Construction of about 6 miles of head race.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and forms of tender obtained, at the Office of the Engineer of Roads and Works, Dunedin, and at Police Camp, Naseby.

Tenders to be endorsed "Mount Ida water works. Tender for Contract No. 5."

The Government does not undertake to accept the lowest or any tender.

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

Dunedin, 6th May, 1873.

NOTICE.—Fresh Tenders wanted by the Peninsula Road Board for works in the different subdivisions. Works will be shown by the undersigned on Thursday, the 15th inst., at noon:—North-east Harbor Beach Road, by Mr Hooper; District Road, by Mr A. Stuart; Highcliffe No. 1 Road, by Mr W. Finnock; No. 4 Road, by Mr F. Robertson; Tomahawk, by Messrs Smail and Matheson; Anderson's Bay, by Messrs Scott and Somerville. Tenders to be endorsed, "Tender, Peninsula Road Board," and lodged at the Highcliffe School-house, on or before noon of the 17th inst. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JOHN H. PATRICK,
Clerk.

7s.

PORTOBELLO ROAD DISTRICT.

FRESH Tenders will be received at my office until Friday, May 16th, at 4 p.m. for Contracts 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, and 14.

Plans and specifications at the office of the undersigned after Monday, May 12th.

The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

W. STEWART,
Engineer to Board,
Manse street.

2t6s.

TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received at the office of the Secretary for Public Works, until noon of Tuesday, 13th May, for excavations at Bell Hill and removal of material therefrom, for Harbor reclamation.

Specifications may be seen at Provincial Engineer's Office.

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY ROAD DISTRICT.

TENDERS are invited for the following works:—

- 1st. Reform Potter's Road, &c.
- 2nd. Contract No. 2 on old Port Road—Formation.
- 3rd. To widen lower end Signal Hill Road, at per chain.
- 4th. To break and spread metal on Signal Hill Road.

Plans and specifications of the above works at North-East Valley School-house, and tenders to be left and considered by the Board, on Saturday, the 17th May, at 12 noon.

H. McFADYEN,
Clerk to Board.

2t7s 6d.

TO CONTRACTORS.—Tenders will be received at the Office of the Secretary for Public Works, until

noon of Friday, 9th May, for excavating at Queen street and removal therefrom to Castle street. Plans and specifications to be seen at Provincial Engineer's Office, Dunedin.

LEASES OF TOLLS.

TENDERS will be received at the Provincial Government Offices until Tuesday, the 20th day of May, at noon, for leasing the various Tolls throughout the Province for 12 months from 1st July, 1873. Particulars of terms and conditions can be obtained on application at the Treasury. The Government will not be bound to accept any tender.

For the information of intending tenderers, the following are the gross sums received from the gatekeepers for the twelve months ended 31st March, 1873, viz:—

Anderson's Bay	...	...	£798	18	6
Balclutha	...	...	552	15	3
Blueskin	...	...	803	16	7
Clutha and Tuapeka...	...	...	873	16	1
East Taieri	...	...	645	9	5
Hillside	...	...	2415	16	4
Saddle Hill	...	...	1698	11	8
Stoney Creek	...	...	391	14	3
Pleasant Valley	...	...	885	16	5
Wakari	...	...	381	18	6
Water of Leith	1560	17	8
Waihola	678	6	0
West Taieri	668	16	4
Waikouaiti	767	0	1

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GEORGE TURNBULL,
Provincial Treasurer.

Provincial Treasury,
Dunedin, April 30, 1873.

WANTED, a teacher for the Campbelltown School. Married man preferred. Salary, including Government grant, £150 per annum, with £25 additional if wife will assist a portion of the day in the school. Free house containing five rooms. Applications and testimonials must be lodged with the undersigned on or before the 31st May, 1873.

W. HENDERSON,
Secretary, School Committee.

EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS.

A MEETING of the owners and occupiers of land and householders in the Educational Districts of West Taieri and Outram respectively will be held in the Schoolhouse of each district upon Monday, the 9th day of June, 1873, at half-past seven o'clock p.m.

JOHN SPERREY,
Secretary.

WANTED, a Teacher for Tukurau School. Salary—Government Grant and School Fees, with five-roomed dwelling-house and 15 acres glebe, fenced in.

For further particulars, apply to the undersigned, with whom applications and testimonials must be lodged not later than May 14, 1873.

J. S. SHANK,
Secretary, School Committee, Mataura.

TEACHER wanted for Mmihau Side School, Mataura. Salary—Government Grant, with School Fees, Master's Residence, ten acres of Land, and enclosed Garden, and prospect of succeeding late Teacher as Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages. Applications, with testimonials, to be lodged with the Clerk, on or before 20th May, 1873.

ALEXANDER BEANGE,
Clerk to School Committee.

WASTE LAND BOARD ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS for UNSURVEYED LAND, under "Otago Waste Land Act, 1872,"—It is hereby notified to the applicants whose names appear in the subjoined Schedule, that they have been declared to be the purchasers of the sections set opposite their names in the Schedule, and that the purchase money of these sections must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue in Invercargill, on or before Wednesday, the 21st day of May, 1873, otherwise the applications will be deemed withdrawn, cancelled, and void, and the deposit

made at the time of lodging the application will be forfeited.

Alexander Rae, section 71, block VII., Tutarau District
John Rae, section 72, block VII., Tutarau District
Peter Grant, section 14, block I., Toetoes District
Peter Grant, section 21, block IV., Toetoes District
Henry Peard Campion, section 36, block VII., Waikaka District

John Brown, section 21, block VI., Wyndham District
John Brown, section 45, block IV., Wyndham District
John Brown, section 22, block VI., Wyndham District
Hugh McIntyre, section 37, block VII., Waikaka District

Hugh McIntyre, section 9, block VIII., Waikaka District

Edward Johnston, section 40, block II., Wyndham District

Norman Prentice, section 10, block VIII., Waikaka District

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Waste Land Board Office,
Dunedin, 7th May, 1873.

NOTICE is hereby given that the land lately opened for sale at Waikoiko, Glenkenich, being sections numbered 1 to 39, 52 to 58, 65 to 70, 78, 80, and 81, block 3, Glenkenich, is withdrawn from sale.

Also, sections 8 and 11, block 1, Kaitangata District, advertised to be sold at Tokomairiro on the 9th instant, are also withdrawn.

WEDNESDAY, 2nd July, 1873.

Run to be Leased, if no objection.

AN application having been made by Messrs Fraser and McLean for a pastoral lease of 5000 acres more or less of country situated between the Manapori and Monowai Lakes, Waiau west, and bounded towards the north by the Manapori Lake, towards the east by the bush and the Hunter Mountains, towards the southward by the bush and the Watershed of Monowai Lake, and towards the west by the bush and a range of mountains shown on office maps: Notice is hereby given, that a lease of the said country will be granted to the above applicants unless objections are made to the same before Wednesday, the 2nd day of July next.

FRIDAY, 9th May, noon.

NOTICE is hereby given that section 3 block VI, Clarendon District, containing 65a 3r 3p; sections 23, 32 and 33, block 3, Kaitangata, containing respectively 152a r 4p, 93a 2r 3p, and 58a 2r 34p; section 1 of 3v, block 1, Clarendon District, containing 83a 1r 2p, will be offered for sale by public auction at Mr Capstick's Auction Rooms, Tokomairiro, on Friday, the 9th day of May next, at noon, at the upset price of 10s per acre.

Sections 1 of 9, 2 of 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, and 17, block I, North Harbor and Blueskin District, containing respectively 39a 1r 20p, 40a, 89a 0r 6p, 78a, 50a 2r, 20p, 92a 2r, 73a 1r, 34a, will be offered for sale by auction at the Land Office, Dunedin, on Friday, the 9th day of May next, at noon, at the upset price of 10s per acre.

Immediately thereafter, section 10, block I, Outram, will be offered at the upset price of £20, and subject to valuation for improvements effected thereon.

FRIDAY, 9th May, noon.

NOTICE is hereby given that sections 11 and 12, block IV, Ettrick (Mill Site), containing respectively 1a 0r 30p and 0a 3r 6p, will be offered for sale by public auction on the ground on Friday, the ninth day of May next, 12 o'clock noon; the former at the upset price of £14 5s, the latter at £9 9s.

At the same time, sections 10 and 11 block II, will be offered at the upset price of £5 each, and subject to valuation for improvements thereon.

MONDAY, June 2, 1873, at noon.

RUN for Sale, by public Auction, at the Land Office, Invercargill, the pastoral lease for ten years of—

Rua 995, Southland, Otago, known as the Pahi Run, containing about 3800 acres. Delivery at expiration of present lease, in April, 1874, purchaser to pay one year's rent in advance. Lease sold subject to right of Govern-

ment to take a portion for special settlement without compensation; upset price, £1 13s 4d per hundred acres, for the first thousand acres and 16s 8d for every hundred acres in addition.

THURSDAY, 22nd May, 1873.—5501 acres.
AGRICULTURAL LAND (CONICAL HILL STATION),
WAIPAHEE AND GLENKENICH DISTRICTS, OPEN
FOR APPLICATION.

THE above land being sections 1A, 2 to 28, block 8, Waipahee District, 4656 acres (from 200 to 300 each section); sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, block 10, Glenkenich, and 5, 6, and 7, block 12, Glenkenich, 845 acres (from 80 to 100 acres each section); will be open for application at the Land Office, Invercargill, on Thursday, the 22nd May, 1873, at £1 per acre.

In the event of more than one application being made for the same land on the same day, it will be put up for sale by Auction, open to all bidders.

Applications must be accompanied by a deposit of 2s for each acre of the land applied for.

ON THURSDAY, 22ND MAY, 1873.

5501 Acres of Agricultural Land (Conical Hill station), Waipahee and Glenkenich Districts, will be open for application at £1 per acre.

At the Land Office, Invercargill.

THE above Land, being sections 1A, 2 to 28, block VIII, Waipahee district, 4656 acres (from 200 to 300 each section); sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, block X, Glenkenich, and 5, 6 and 7, block XII, Glenkenich, 845 acres (from 80 to 100 acres each section).

In the event of more than one application being made for the same land on the same day, it will be put up for sale by auction, open to all bidders.

Applications must be accompanied by a deposit of 2s for each acre of land applied for.

TO SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND TEACHERS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

THE attention of School Committees and public school teachers is directed to the following Regulations of the Education Board:—

(Extract from the Minutes of the Education Board.)

The Board having considered those portions of the Inspector's Report which relate to the school reading books and to Bible reading and religious instruction in schools, resolved that the schoolmasters and other teachers in the public schools be enjoined to adhere strictly to the following Regulations:—

1. The use of the following mentioned school books shall be discontinued in the public schools of the Province, as soon as a sufficient supply of the books mentioned in Regulation No. 2 can be obtained to replace them, viz.: The "Progressive Lessons," the "Advanced Reader," and the "History of the British Empire," of the "Progressive Series," published by Messrs W. Collins, Sons and Co.; Coutie's "Word Exp-positor;" and White's "History of Great Britain and Ireland."
2. The following mentioned books only shall be used as English reading books in the public schools after the first day of April, 1874, viz.:—"The Royal School Primer," and Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the "Royal Readers," published by Messrs T. Nelson and Sons; the illustrated edition of "My First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Books" published by Messrs W. Collins, Sons, and Co., and Dr Collier's Histories of the "British Empire." But a teacher desirous of introducing any reading book or books in addition to the books above mentioned may obtain permission to do so on satisfying the Board that the use of such book or books in the school is desirable and proper."
3. The teacher (or the head master, if there be more than one teacher) of every public school shall be at liberty to use in his school such of the reading books and histories specified in Regulation No. 2, and such text books of arithmetic, grammar, geography, and other secular subjects as he shall think most advisable, provided that such text books shall contain no lessons or expressions

calculated to give reasonable ground of offence to the members of any religious denomination; but, while taking care not to deprive his pupils of any of the advantages which a judicious use of suitable text books is calculated to yield, the teacher shall take all possible care, consistently with the efficiency of his school, that the purchase of lesson books does not become too burdensome to parents of moderate means. He shall also avoid as much as possible the unnecessary change of text books, and especially the introduction without good cause of such as are not in common use in the Province.

4. Schoolmasters and other teachers employed under the Board shall adhere strictly to the terms of the Education Ordinance 1864, in regard to the reading of the Bible and religious instruction, they shall take care that both parents and children be informed that attendance at such reading or instruction is optional, and they shall avoid in the course of the ordinary school instruction the use of any words or expressions calculated to give reasonable ground of offence to the members of any religious denomination.
5. The time for the reading of the Bible shall be positively fixed to take place at the opening or closing of the school, the time so fixed shall be rigidly adhered to, and a notice of the time for such reading shall be conspicuously put up in every class-room.
6. No religious catechism or religious formulary which is distinctive of any particular denomination or sect shall be taught during the school hours in any school connected with the Board.

It was further resolved that a copy of the foregoing resolutions be forwarded to the School Committees and School Teachers,

By order.

JOHN SPERREY,

Secretary.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND,
OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

No. 4,089. WARRANT 745.

Between Thomas Hammond, plaintiff; and Alexander McPherson, defendant.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, to me directed and delivered, issued out of this honorable Court in this cause, on the thirty-first day of January last, and in pursuance of "The Execution of Judgments against Real Estate Act, 1867," all the estate and interest of the above-named Alexander McPherson, the execution debtor, in all that parcel of land, containing by admeasurement twenty perches, more or less, situate in the town of Roxburgh, in the Province of Otago, in New Zealand, being the north-east moiety of Section numbered eight (8) Block six (VI), on the map of the said Town of Roxburgh, bounded towards the north-west by Section six, one hundred and twenty-five links, towards the north-east by Cheviot street one hundred links, towards the south-east by section ten, one hundred and twenty-five links, and towards the south-west by the other moiety of the said Section eight, one hundred links, the memorial of judgment of which was registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds in Dunedin, in the Province aforesaid, on the first day of February last, has at the suit of the above-named Thomas Hammond, the execution creditor, been levied upon and taken in execution, and will be sold by public auction at the Sheriff's Bailiff's Office, Supreme Courthouse, in Dunedin, on Thursday, the 31st day of July, at twelve o'clock at noon, unless the said execution shall be previously satisfied.

Dated in Dunedin, this twenty-fourth day of April, 1873.

I. NEWTON WATT,

Sheriff of Otago.

The estate and interest of the above-named Alexander McPherson, the execution debtor, intended to be sold, is an estate in fee simple, subject to a mortgage for three hundred pounds,

JOHN MOUAT,

(Of McKeay and Mouat, in Princes street,
in Dunedin, Solicitor for Execution
Creditor).

APPLICATIONS are invited for the office of additional assistant master for the Invercargill Grammar School, at a salary of £200 per annum,

Applications with testimonials to be sent to Chairman School Committee, Invercargill, not later than 15th May.

HOLIDAY.—QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

THE Anniversary of the said Birthday will be celebrated on Monday, 26th May, 1873, on which day the Provincial Government Offices will not be opened.

PUBLICANS' LICENSE MEETINGS, for considering applications for said licenses, &c., will be held in the various Licensing Courts throughout the Province, at noon on Tuesday, the third day of June, 1873. Applications, &c., must be made to the respective Clerks of Court, fourteen days at least before the said date.

WEST TAIERI RIVER DISTRICT RATE.

THE Rate Roll of the West Taieri River District for the year 1873-4 now lies for inspection at the Post Office, Outram, for twenty-one days.

DAVID GRANT,

Secretary to Board of Conservators.

3t 5s.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE Waipori District Road Board hereby give notice of the Board's intention to close the road lines between section 23, block VIII., sections 5 and 6, block IX., and sections 1, 2, and 3, block X., Waiholia West Survey District.

Objections (if any) to be lodged with the Board before the first day of June, 1873.

JAMES SIM,

Clerk to Board.

Maungatua, 1st May, 1873.

3t—9s.

302 VICTORIÆ, No. 39.

SCHEDULE X.

District of Naseby, April 24, 1873.

To the District Officer at Naseby.

I HEREBY give notice that I intend to construct a Water Race for agricultural purposes, commencing at a point on Terrace Creek, Hill's Creek, and terminating at a point on Hill's Creek.

The length of such Race is one mile, or thereabouts, and its intended course is east to west. The mean depth and breadth of such Race is eight by eighteen inches, and it is capable of carrying half a sluice head of water.

2t9s

GEORGE TURNBULL, Hill's Creek.

NOTICE TO MAKE FENCE.—To S. Thompson, Surveyor (owner) of sections 28, 29, and 30, block XXXIII., in the incorporated town of Palmerston.—Take notice that I desire the boundary fence between sections 25 and 26 to be made immediately, on or before May 30, 1873, and that such fence shall be eight posts to the chain and five wires, with ditch.

JOHN KEEN.

Palmerston, May 1st, 1873.

3t—9s.

NOTICE.

THE Seaside District Road Board have decided to levy a special district rate of 6d. in the pound on all rateable property within the Brighton Subdivision, for the year ending 30th June, 1873. The Rate Book may be seen at the house of the undersigned, and objections to valuation (if any) will be heard at a meeting of the Board to be held in the house of Mr Graham, Boat Harbor, on 5th June next, at 2 p.m.

ALLAN CAMERON,

Clerk to Board.

5s

KAKANUI ROAD DISTRICT.

To the owners or occupiers of Sections 41, 42, and 43, Block IV, Oamaru Survey District.

NOTICE is hereby given that, whereas the south-east boundary fence of the above-named sections includes the whole of the Road Reserve opposite the said sections, the owners or occupiers are requested to remove the said fence without delay, or the powers vested in the Board of the district will be exercised.

JOHN T. EVANS,

Clerk to the Board.

18th April, 1873.

3t 14s

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF INVERCARGILL.
STATUTORY STATEMENT of the estimated Rents, Profits and Receipts, and Outlay and Expenditure for the financial year beginning on the 20th April, 1873, and ending 19th April, 1874.

ESTIMATED INCOME.		£	s	d.
Rent, Reserves	...	180	0	0
" Jetty	...	100	0	0
Subscriptions from Insurance Offices for				
Fire Brigades	...	60	0	0
Cemetery Fees	...	80	0	0
Bye-laws, Penalties	...	60	0	0
Licenses under Bye-laws	...	860	0	0
Do. General	...			
Second Instalment of Proceeds of Sale of				
Block 75	...	778	15	0
Uncollected Rates, 1871-1872	...	16	18	0
Do. 1872-1873	...	85	11	0
Premium on Debentures	...	70	0	0
Loan	...	3500	0	0
Deficiency	...	1235	0	0
		£7026	4	0

ESTIMATED OUTLAY.		£	s	d.
Interest on Debentures	...	210	0	0
Sinking Fund	...	175	0	0
Salaries	...	380	0	0
Reserves	...	778	15	0
Day Labor	...	400	0	0
Ordinary Expenses	...	300	0	0
Fire Brigade	...	130	0	0
Jetty Repairs	...	50	0	0
Cemetery	...	100	0	0
Public Works	...	4502	9	0
		£7026	4	0

W. B. SCANDRETT.
Town Clerk.

Council Hall, Invercargill,
19th April, 1873. 18s

TO THE DISTRICT OFFICER AT SWITZERS.
I HEREBY give notice that I intend to construct a water race for the purpose of driving machinery, commencing at a point in the Dome Creek, opposite section 21 block I, Wendon district, and terminating on section 23 of the said block. The length of such race is one and a half miles, or thereabouts, and its intended course is north and south, and is capable of carrying two sluice heads of water.

JOSEPH H. DAVIDSON,
Switzers.

Any person objecting to the issue of a License to the above-named applicant, must lodge his objection in writing at my office within thirty clear days from the date hereof.

JOHN NUGENT WOOD,
District Officer.
Switzers, 23rd April, 1873. 2t 5s

TO THE DISTRICT OFFICER AT QUEENSTOWN.
District of Queenstown,
17th April, 1873.

I HEREBY Give Notice that I intend to construct a Water Race for the purpose of driving a Woollen Factory and Flour Mill, commencing at the One and Two Mile Creeks, at the points where the water races owned by me take their rise, and terminating at section 1, block XVII., town of Queenstown.

The length of such race is three-quarters of a mile, or thereabouts, and its intended course is towards the east and will run through Crown lands, my private property, section three, block XX., Shotover District, and will cross Glasgow street, Kilmarnock street, Northumberland street, Lake street, Lake Esplanade or Beach street.

The mean depth and breadth of such race is fifteen inches by twenty-four inches, and it is capable of carrying three (3) sluice-heads of water.

JAMES WILLIAM ROBERTSON,
Queenstown, Timber Merchant.

Any person objecting to the issue of a License to the abovenamed applicant, must lodge his objection, in writing, at my office within thirty clear days from the date hereof.

R. BEETHAM,
District Officer.

The abovenamed application will be decided before me at Queenstown, on Saturday, the 17th May, 1873.

R. BEETHAM,
2t—30s District Officer.

TO THE DISTRICT OFFICER AT QUEENSTOWN.

District of Queenstown,
17th April, 1873.

I HEREBY Give Notice that I intend to construct a Water Race for Irrigation purposes, commencing at a point on the Shortburn Creek, Half-Way Bay, ten chains above where the Survey line of Block I., South Wakatip District, cuts the same creek and terminating at section number 15, Block I., South Wakatip District.

The length of such race is fifty chains, or thereabouts, and its intended course is north and south, and is to be constructed on the west side of a Government surveyed road, running past sections 37, 27, and 26, Block I., South Wakatip District.

The mean depth and breadth of such water race is twenty inches by thirty inches, and it is capable of carrying four sluice-heads of water.

WILLIAM McALLISTER,
Sheep Farmer, Half-way Bay.

Any person objecting to the issue of a License to the above-named applicant must lodge his objection, in writing, at my office, within thirty clear days from the date hereof.

R. BEETHAM,
District Officer.

The above application will be decided before me, at Queenstown, on Saturday, the 17th May, 1873.

R. BEETHAM,
2t—30s District Officer.

TO THE DISTRICT OFFICER AT NASEBY.

I HEREBY give notice that I intend to construct a water race for the purposes of irrigation and wool-scouring, commencing at a point in swampy ground to the south-west of sections 3 and 4, Waihemo District, and terminating in the pre-emptive right of Run 255. The length of such race is two miles or thereabouts, and its intended course is through land leased by me from the Crown, and through private land belonging to Bernhard Luks. The mean depth and breadth of such race is about nine inches deep and one foot broad, and it is capable of carrying two sluice heads of water.

F. D. BELL,
Shag Valley, Runholder.

Shag Valley, 2nd May, 1873. 2t 15s

SUPREME COURT CIRCUIT SITTING.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Circuit Court Sitting of the Supreme Court for the despatch of criminal and civil business will be holden in the Courthouse, at Lawrence, on Monday, the ninth day of June next, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon; at which time and place all persons bound by recognisances or otherwise to appear as prosecutors, plaintiffs, defendants, or witnesses, are required to give their attendance.

EDWARD FRAS. WARD,
Registrar.

Supreme Court Office, Dunedin, 5th May, 1873.

JUST PUBLISHED.—Map of Otago, 16 inches by 18 inches, printed in colors, by William Collins, Sons, and Co., London and Glasgow. Price, 2s.

May be obtained at the District Land Offices, Queenstown, Lawrence, Clyde, and Naseby; and from Messrs. Livingston, Oamaru; John Smith, Waikouaiti; Souter, Hislop, and Gray, Milton; J. R. Bremner, Hampden; Henry Wise and Thomas George, Dunedin.

OTAGO LAND ACT 1872 may be obtained from the Government Storekeeper, Dunedin. Price, 2s 6d; if posted, 3s 2d. The usual allowance to the trade. Postage stamps cannot be received in payment.