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ADDRESS OF HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT,

On Opening the Thirty-third Session of the Provincial Council of the Province of Otago,

APRIL 29, 1874.

MR SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL,

It is unnecessary for me to address you at any great length upon the present occasion, or to anticipate the detailed information as to the affairs of the Province which will be conveyed to you by the various Departmental Reports to be laid on the table, and the statements to be made by my responsible advisers when the Estimates are submitted.

It must be gratifying to us all to know that the past year has been one of marked prosperity, and that throughout the Province generally the manifestations of progress have never been greater than at present. Progress of Province

The trade returns, both of Exports and Imports, exhibit a satisfactory increase, with the exception of gold, which shows a slight decrease upon the past year. This is to be accounted for from the circumstance that many of the miners have availed themselves of the high wages which have been earned upon the railway contracts. Gold Revenue.

The immigration from the United Kingdom during the twelve months ending 31st March has amounted to 4407 ; while there have been born in the Province during the same period 3168. Immigration.

The gross total of the Consolidated Revenues of the Colony collected in Otago during the period in question amounts to £436,147, the whole of which, as you are aware, goes into the Colonial Treasury. Out of this the Province has been credited with £55,580 as capitation allowance. Colonial and Provincial Revenue.

The payments into the Provincial Treasury during the year amounts to £451,425, whilst the expenditure has been £376,607.

There have been sold during the year 258,849 acres of agricultural land, to 404 purchasers ; of town land the sales have amounted to 1625 acres to 596 purchasers ; of agricultural lease areas on Gold Fields there have been granted 30,000 acres to 320 lessees. Land Sold.

Expenditure of votes
for past year.

On perusing the accounts for the past year, it will be seen that, with very few exceptions, the whole of the appropriations on the main Estimates towards public works have been either expended, or are now under contract. Most of the sums on the Supplementary Estimates have likewise been expended. The contract price of public works, owing to the scarcity of labor, has in very many instances exceeded the vote; there was, however, no option but either to leave the works in abeyance or to sanction the excess.

Public Works De-
partment — increase
of Staff.

I may here observe that, in my opinion, the amount of labour and responsibility which now devolve upon the Public Works Department are much greater than we are warranted in imposing. I propose, therefore, that the construction of railways, of which, it is to be hoped, we shall have not a few constantly in hand, be made a separate branch of the Department, and that provision be made accordingly.

Besides the Appropriation Bill and the few bills of a formal nature which will be submitted to you, there are several very important questions with which you will be called upon to deal. Of these, I would refer especially to the deepening of Dunedin Harbour. Considerable attention has lately been bestowed upon this subject, and sundry professional reports thereon have been obtained.

It has been suggested that the work of deepening the Harbour should be undertaken by a trust, out of moneys to be borrowed on security of Harbour dues and of the Provincial revenue.

The Government has been requested to introduce a Bill for the constitution of a Trust. Before taking any action in the matter, it is deemed advisable to ascertain your views upon the subject. There can be no question as to the benefits which would accrue from the proposed work, and proposals will therefore be brought before you with the view of immediately proceeding with it, either through the medium of a Trust, or directly by the Government.

While upon this subject, it may be observed that your resolution of last session, whereby it was proposed to reclaim 100 acres in Dunedin Harbor as a Harbor endowment, has not as yet been acted upon, the limited supply of labour during the past year rendered it inexpedient to go on with the work. It is hoped, however, that labor may shortly be sufficiently plentiful to enable this reclamation to be prosecuted with advantage.

Otago University.

Copies of correspondence between the Otago University Council and myself will be submitted to you, from which it will be seen that, in the event of your consenting to the granting a suitable site on the old Cemetery Reserve, the present University Building might be disposed of, and the proceeds applied to the erection of an edifice more suitable for University purposes, within the walls of which ample provision might be made for the residence of both Professors and Students. The complete success of the University depends very much upon such provision being made, and I venture strongly to recommend the matter to your favorable consideration. Should you concur in this proposal, a Bill will be at once prepared to give effect thereto.

While upon this subject, I cannot refrain from expressing my regret that the Council and Professors have agreed to relinquish the powers and the status conferred upon the University by the Provincial Legislature, for the problematical advantage of being connected with the University of New Zealand. I can only hope that the result of the negotiations now pending between the two bodies may turn out better than may be anticipated.

Normal School.

Last session you authorized the creation of a Normal School for the training of teachers. The difficulty of procuring a suitable site has caused considerable delay in this matter. You will be glad to learn that this obstacle has now been overcome, and that the building will be proceeded with at once. I need not say that much advantage may be anticipated to our educational system from having a regular supply of duly trained teachers, and from increased inspection. Notwithstanding the large sum voted last year for educational purposes, the amount has been found to be far short of our daily increasing requirements; and I am still of opinion that it would be a wise course to adopt my recommendation of last session, and to some extent, at least, to throw on posterity the burden of providing school accommodation, which is as much for the future as for the present.

Geological Survey.

An amount was voted last year towards a Geological Survey of the Province, and you will no doubt be glad to learn that we have succeeded in engaging a gentleman who is eminently qualified to perform this service. Some time has necessarily been

occupied at the outset in preliminary operations, but the systematic survey of the Province is now being proceeded with.

In connection with the Geological Survey, Museum, and proposed School of Mines, you will be asked to vote a sum sufficient for the erection of a suitable building, the present accommodation in the University building being totally inadequate.

I desire to solicit your assent to a vote which will be submitted, with a view to providing for the Province a Reformatory School, for the reception of children and young criminals, under proper classification, who cannot be admitted into the Industrial School without contaminating the inmates of that institution, which as a rule consist more of neglected than of criminal children. Considerable difficulty has been experienced from the want of the means of separating the two classes. There is no portion of the public expenditure from which the Province will reap a greater return than that devoted to the Industrial School, and I am not without hope that very shortly the institution will be to a large extent self-supporting.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Southland Waste Lands Act Amendment Act, 1873, the land in the Southland district has been classified, under which classification the district comprises 204,211 acres, which may be acquired at 40s. an acre, and 696,000 acres, which may be acquired at the rate of 20s. an acre.

There is also power to set aside not exceeding 30,000 acres in any one year for sale on deferred payments, at 25s an acre. Out of the 204,211 acres of 40s. land, it is proposed to reserve from sale 102,800 acres, with the view of same being dealt with on the principle of deferred payment.

Last Session, on my recommendation, you agreed to request the Governor to proclaim four additional Hundreds, situate on certain Runs. So soon as the boundaries were defined by survey, application was made to have the Hundreds proclaimed. I regret to say, however, that after the lapse of six months it was discovered that the proposed Hundreds could not be proclaimed in consequence of the precise boundaries not having been defined, either in my recommendation or in your resolution. I need not say that it was impossible to have defined the boundaries more exactly than was done at the time; as it is, the precise delineation will be at once submitted for your approval, when it is hoped the proclamation will issue forthwith. The correspondence and opinions on this subject will be laid before you. Hundreds.

Your concurrence will be solicited towards the proclamation of further Hundreds. The proposed new Hundreds, together with some 60,000 acres which it is hoped will be opened on deferred payment during the year, with the further addition of various agricultural lease blocks throughout Gold Fields, will, it is expected, fully meet the demands of settlement for the time being.

Last Session a Bill was passed by the House of Representatives extending the area of land which may be taken in any one year on deferred payment from 30,000 to 100,000 acres. This Bill was not passed by the Legislative Council. It is proposed to renew the application next Session, and also to provide that where there are more than one applicant for deferred-payment Sections, the selection will be submitted to auction.

I would strongly urge upon your consideration the expediency of raising the price of land, as contemplated under the provisions of the Waste Land Act. I feel persuaded that such a step, while it would greatly curtail land speculation, would in no wise check *bona fide* settlement. I submit that, with main roads and railroads penetrating the country in all directions, land is better worth £5 an acre now than it was worth 5s. when it was inaccessible. Certainly, if early settlers paid £2 an acre when there was not a road in the Province, that figure cannot fairly be considered too high now. It appears to me that if future immigrants into the country, and those who will be from year to year gradually emerging from the labor market, as well as our children, are to have the opportunity of acquiring land, we are in duty bound to husband the public estate by raising the price, as has been partially done in the case of the Southland District, and, so as to assimilate our terms to those of the neighbouring Province of Canterbury. Price of Land.

Another question of vital importance to which I would solicit your attention is that of water rights on Gold Fields; a very serious conflict is impending between the mining and other interests in respect to this matter. The Executive Government has been appealed to, but does not see that it would be justified in allying itself with any one interest in the Province as against another. Water Rights on Gold Fields.

The whole question is exceedingly embarrassing, and I confess I can see no satisfactory solution of it unless by mutual compromise and concession on the part of the various interests concerned.

If in your wisdom you can devise any means of meeting the difficulty, I shall be glad. The subject is one which can be dealt with authoritatively by the Colonial Legislature only, with whom your views would, no doubt, have considerable influence.

The enormous demand for timber which has of late years sprung up has attracted attention to the value of our forests, and to the importance of conserving and utilising them. The subject is at present engaging the attention of the Colonial Government, with a view to legislation by the General Assembly.

In the meantime the folly of free-granting the forests, containing as they do timber worth thousands of pounds an acre to be turned into charcoal, has so forcibly presented itself to my mind that I have allowed the provisions of the Special Settlement Act to stand very much in abeyance, a course of action in which it is hoped you will concur, the more especially as the number of those who have applied to take advantage of the Act has been almost nil.

There can be no question that this Province possesses in its forests a mine of wealth, the value of which it is difficult to estimate, and which, as population increases, will no doubt be turned to profitable account.

Next to conserving our forests, perhaps the most important problem to be solved at the present time is how best to deal with the auriferous lands of the Province. As you are aware, all lands, the freehold of which is now being acquired from the Crown, is liable to be resumed for mining purposes. The question which it behoves us seriously to consider, is—how is the gold to be extracted without destroying for ever the surface of the soil, and without the footstep of the alluvial miner leaving desolation behind it? No one who travels through the Gold Fields can help being struck with the many fertile spots which have been rendered barren.

Sale of Auriferous Lands.

My own strong conviction is that the only practical remedy against the evil for the future is, that the miner should possess the freehold of the land in which he is mining. In this case he would have a strong inducement to preserve and replace the surface soil. No doubt this suggestion is surrounded with practical difficulties. They are difficulties, however, which I venture to think might be overcome; and I feel assured that, if the miners could see their own interests, they would unanimously petition the Legislature in this direction. Were this suggestion given effect to, there would be no necessity for Miners' Rights, Gold Fields Staff, or gold duty.

In what has been said, I hope I shall not be regarded as seeking to underrate or depreciate the mining interest. What I desire is to attach the mining population to the soil, to give them an interest in preserving it, so that it may produce to themselves and those who succeed them golden grains in all time coming, after the precious metal shall have been extracted.

Last year I submitted to you a proposal, by which the Dunedin Lunatic Asylum might be rendered to a great extent self-sustaining, and the personal comfort of the patients, as well as their chance of recovery, promoted; the subject, however, seems to have escaped your notice. I venture to hope that you will this session enable me to carry the proposal in question into effect. If so, provision can at the same time be made for a special portion of the Asylum being set apart for inebriates.

Railways.

Gentlemen,—The various branch Railways authorised by you last session have been contracted for at rates which, looking at the advance in the price of labor and materials, may be considered satisfactory. You will be asked to sanction further important branch lines this session, among which may be enumerated the following:—From the main line, up the Valley of the Waihemo, across the Taieri plain to Outram, to the Tokomairiro and Kaitangata coal field, through the island of Inch Clutha, and to Tapanui, and to the Night-cap coal fields. It is hoped that the whole of these branches may be completed as soon as the main lines, to which they will act as important feeders. Instead of forcing land into the market to pay for these lines, I would propose that power be applied for to the General Assembly at its next session to raise money on loan for their construction upon the security of specific blocks of land.

Last year, as you are aware, a Bill was passed through the House of Representatives authorising, subject to your approval, an extension of the Lawrence line to the

Dunstan, the money to be raised upon specific security in the shape of a block of land contiguous to the line; this Bill, however, was thrown out in the Legislative Council. I shall be glad to know your opinion relative to the proposed extension, with a view to further action in the matter. My own opinion is that in many respects the line in question should be regarded as a main trunk line, opening up, as it will, the whole interior of the Province.

The very large increase of traffic on the Southland line renders it absolutely necessary that a considerable expenditure should be at once incurred on additional plant, on storage, and on extension of the wharf at Campbellton. It will also be requisite to reduce the gauge from Campbelltown to Winton to 3ft. 6in., and to assimilate the rolling-stock thereto, for which expenditure you will be asked to provide.

The additional pier accommodation now in progress at Port Chalmers will, it is believed, when completed, largely increase the traffic on the Dunedin and Port Chalmers line. As it is, the returns during its first year, which were estimated at £22,000 have amounted to £21,553, while the expenditure has exceeded the estimate by £4,166; of this amount a considerable proportion ought, strictly speaking, to be charged against the capital account, being for outlay incidental to the making of a new line, until it has become consolidated and got into working order. Pier accommodation.

There are various other matters bearing upon the public interest in different parts of the Province to which I might be expected to allude, and to which I should be glad to refer; but, as in common with the questions to which I have directed your attention, these must be submitted to your consideration specifically during the session, I shall refrain from doing so, and for the same reason I would suggest that the usual Reply to my Address may be dispensed with.

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

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

IN conformity to the 29th section of the "Gold Fields Act, 1866," and to the Regulations made under that Act, and the Goldfields 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 Switzers, on or before the 20th day of May, 1874.

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

Given under my hand, at Dunedin, this 5th day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

JAMES MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Ah Pee, on behalf of the Hop Shung Tong Company, Nokomai, 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 at the neighbourhood of junction of Bullock Head Gully and Nokomai Creek.

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with the Warden at Naseby, on or before the 18th day of May, 1874.

Copy of the application made, and plans annexed, may be soon at the Warden's office at Naseby.

Given under my hand, at Dunedin, this fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

William Guffie and John Latham, on behalfs of the Live and Let-Live Company, for one acre 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 and adjoining Gozarby's lease area and Guffie and Latham's iron fluming, Clark's Diggings.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the "Highway Boards Empowering Act, 1871," and of an Order made by the Aparima Road Board for diverting a Road.

UNDER and by virtue of the provisions of section thirty-three of the "Highway Boards Empowering Act, 1871," I, James Macandrew, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, do hereby appoint and fix Tuesday, the 12th day of May proximo, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Superintendent's office, in the Provincial Government Buildings, at Dunedin, as and to be the time and place for taking into consideration an Order made by the Aparima Road Board on the fourteenth day of February, 1874, and published in the *Otago Provincial Government Gazette*, No. 895, on the 25th day of February, 1874, for diverting a Road through section seven (7), and sections thirty-nine (39), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), seventeen (17), sixteen (16), fifteen (15), and twenty (20), Oreti Hundred.

Dated at Dunedin, this 18th day of April, 1874,

J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

TIME EXTENDED.

HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT directs it to be notified that the Commissioners appointed

for that purpose under the Southland Waste Lands Act, Amendment Act, 1873, have furnished to him the description of the boundaries of the land classified by them as Agricultural Land and as Pastoral Land respectively, pursuant to the provision of the said Act; and that copies of such description have been deposited at the Land Office in Dunedin, and at the Land Office, Invercargill, where the same may be inspected by the public at any time during office hours; and further that the said description of boundaries will be published in the *Otago Provincial Government Gazette* on Wednesday, the 20th day of May next, on and after which date the whole of the land therein described will be open for sale, except such parts thereof as may be reserved.

JOHN LOGAN,
Secretary to Superintendent.

Superintendent's Office,
Dunedin, April 16, 1874.

TUESDAY, 19th May, at noon.

NOTICE is hereby given that the lately reclaimed land sections Nos. 1 to 7, block LI, Dunedin, containing upwards of 1 rood each, suitable for manufacturing purposes, and adjacent to the Railway Station, will be offered for sale, under special conditions, by public auction, by Mr. James Milner, at the Land Office, Dunedin, at noon on Tuesday, the 19th day of May, 1874. For terms and conditions apply at the office of the Secretary for Works on and after Monday, the 20th April, 1874.

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

BANK Notes not to be lodged as a deposit when tendering. Contractors are hereby informed that the Government are not responsible for money enclosed as deposits with tenders. In all cases marked cheques must be lodged with tenders.

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

21st April, 1874.

ACCEPTED TENDERS.

THE following Tenders have been accepted:—
Contract No. 936, J. B. Blair, £3836 9 8
Do. 937, T. N. Campbell, 995 15 7

HORACE BASTINGS,
Secretary for Works.

Dunedin, 4th May, 1874.

TUESDAY, 12th May.

THE undermentioned Town Sections will be sold by Auction at the Land Office, Invercargill, at noon on Tuesday, the 12th day of May proximo:—

Town	Section.	Block.	Upset Price.
			£ s. d.
East Winton	1	V	1 18 0
"	4	"	3 19 0
"	5	"	4 0 0
Otantan	11	VII	14 10 9
"	6	I	1 0 0
"	8	V	1 0 0
Long Bush	62	"	15 0 0
"	64	"	12 0 0
Invercargill	2	XLVI	5 0 0
"	3 & 4	XLVII	10 0 0
"	5 & 6	"	10 0 0
"	7 & 8	"	10 0 0
Invercargill	14 & 15	XLVII	10 0 0
"	16 & 17	"	10 0 0
"	18	"	5 0 0
"	20	"	5 0 0
"	3 & 4	XLVIII	10 0 0
"	5 & 6	"	10 0 0
"	15 & 16	"	10 0 0
"	18 & 19	"	10 0 0
"	20	XLVIII	£5 0 0
"	4 & 19	"	10 0 0
"	6 & 7	"	10 0 0
"	8	"	5 0 0
"	17 & 18	"	10 0 0
"	5 & 6	L	10 0 0

Town.	Section.	Block.	Upset Price.
Invercargill	7 & 8	XLIX	£10 0 0
"	19 & 20	"	10 0 0
"	12 & 13	XXXVII	10 0 0
"	15 & 16	"	10 0 0
"	17 & 18	"	10 0 0

TUESDAY, 2nd June.

NOTICE is hereby given that Section 1 Block 1, Coast District, containing 51a 0r 18p will be offered for sale by public auction as land of special value at Barr's Hall, Balclutha, at the upset price of £2 per acre. Sections 13 and remaining part of Section 7 and Block 37, Tokomairiro, containing respectively 1a 2r 17p and 19a 0r 6p, at the upset price of £1 1s per acre, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of June next at noon.

NOTICE is also given that Section 2 of 15 Block 1, Clarendon District, containing 30 acres, will be offered for sale by public auction at the auction rooms of Messrs Capstick, Duthie and Capstick, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of June next at noon, at the upset price of £1 1s per acre.

NOTICE is hereby given that Section 2 of 16 Block 19, Tuapeka East District, containing 31a. 2r. 35p. will be offered for sale by auction as land of special value, at the Survey Office, Lawrence, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of June next, at noon, at the upset price of £1 1s per acre.

NOTICE is hereby Given, that the following sections will be offered for sale by public auction, by Mr. Mathew Hay, at the Land Office, Lawrence, on Tuesday, the 7th day of July next, at noon, at the upset price of £1 per acre:—

Section 2, Block VI. Glenkenich District,	A.	R.	P.
Section 2, Block VI. Glenkenich District,	122	1	36
" 3, "	91	0	10
" 4, "	87	3	37
" 5, "	83	3	33
" 6, "	71	3	22
" 7, "	65	1	13
" 8, "	42	0	37
" 9, "	69	2	37
" 10, "	69	3	28
" 11, "	76	3	26
" 12, "	82	1	24

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Waste Land Board Office,
Dunedin, 5th May, 1874.

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 Receivers of Land Revenue at Dunedin and Invercargill, as under, on or before Wednesday, the 20th day of May, 1874, otherwise the applications will be deemed withdrawn, cancelled and void, and the deposit made at the time of lodging the application will be forfeited.

SCHEDULE.

At Dunedin:—

William M'Phee	Sec. 44 Blk. VIII.	Glenomaru Dist.
John Hyde Harris	" 5 "	XXIII, Waiholā "
Alfred Norton Jowitt	" 33 "	III, Glenomaru "
John Forsyth	" 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, V.	" "
"	" 18 "	VI. " "

At Invercargill:—

James Holms	Sec. 28 Blk. IV.	Toetoes District.
James C. Mutch	" 90 "	VII, Tuturau "
John M'Kerrow	" 5 "	XI, Toetoes "
William Swallow	" 6 "	XI. Do. "

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Waste Land Board Office,
Dunedin, 6th May, 1874.

FREE Nominated Immigration.—Forms of application and Regulations may be obtained at of any the School-houses and Police Offices out of Dunedin.

WANTED a Teacher for Green Island District School. Salary—Government Subsidy, £100, and portion of School Fees, estimated to amount to nearly £100; a commodious house and glebe of ten acres. Applications, with testimonials, to be forwarded to the undersigned up to 10th May, 1874.

THOMAS KING,
Clerk to Green Island School Committee

WANTED. a Schoolmaster for the Wallacetown School; salary, Government subsidy, and School fees, with 2½ acres of land, and free house containing five rooms. Applications with testimonials to be sent in to the Rev. A. Stevens, Chairman of School Committee, on or before the 20th May. One qualified to teach the classics and Higher Branches preferred. Must be able to enter upon his duties by the 29th June.
Wallacetown, 26th Feby., 1874.

WANTED, a Teacher for the Side School, Lower Harbor. Salary—Government allowance of £75, with school fees and free residence. Applications to be lodged at the Education Office, up till the 16th of May.

WANTED, a Teacher for the Campbellton Main School. Salary—£175 a year; free house, containing five rooms. Also, a Sewing Mistress; salary, £50 a year. Applications, with testimonials, received by the undersigned until the 15th May, 1874.

WALTER HENDER ON,
Sec. to Committee.

TEACHER WANTED for Kuri Bush School. Salary, Government allowance and School Fees. Applications, with Testimonials, to be lodged with the undersigned on or before May 14, 1874.

JAS. L. LANDER,
Clerk School Committee, Kuri Bush.
Kuri Bush, April 4, 1874.

TEACHER WANTED for Mount Cargill School, near Dunedin. Salary—Government Allowance and School Fees, with good Residence, and 10 acres of land, all fenced and partly cleared and laid down in grass. The land contains abundance of firewood for many years. Applications, with Testimonials, to be sent to the undersigned on or before the 29th May, 1874.

PETER M'GREGOR,
Chairman Mt. Cargill School Committee,
Blueskin P.O.
Mt. Cargill, May 4th, 1874.

TENDERS WANTED, for the erection of Provincial Government Normal School and Art School Building. Plans and specifications to be seen at my office. Tenders to be in Government Tender Box by noon on Tuesday, May 19th.

DAVID ROSS, Architect,
Princes-street.

TENDERS WANTED by the Kaikorai Road Board for the following works:—

- Contract No. 7, for repairing Bridge over Kaikorai Stream, near Mr. Barr's.
- Contract No. 8, for Supplying 150 yards of Road Metal on Abbotsford Road.

Specifications to be seen, and Tenders lodged at the Kaikorai Hotel, on or before Tuesday, 12th May.

JAMES THOMSON,
Clerk.
2t 7s 6d

TO VALUATORS.

WANTED a competent person to value the properties within the Blueskin Road District. Tenders to be addressed to the undersigned at Port Chalmers not later than noon of May 16.

WILLIAM JAMES BOLT,
Clerk to the Board.
2t 5s

SEASIDE ROAD DISTRICT.

THE Undersigned hereby gives Notice that Voters' Lists for the Subdivisions of Walton and Brighton shall be open for perusal at his house from date to 13th May, 1874.

ALLAN CAMERON,
Clerk to the Board.
14th April, 1874. 3t 6s.

SEASIDE ROAD DISTRICT.

IT is hereby notified that a Special Rate of 1s. per £ was made on the 11th April, 1874, and that a Special Meeting of the Board will be held in the house of Mr. Graham, Boat Harbour, on Wednesday, the 13th May next, at 2 o'clock, p.m., when appeals against the said rate for the current year will be heard. The Rate Roll may be seen at the house of Mr. Graham.

ALLAN CAMERON,
Clerk to Board.
14th April, 1874. 3t 10s

PENINSULA ROAD BOARD.

TENDERS WANTED for Metalling on No. 1 Road, N.E. Harbour Subdivision, at Mr. Kilgour's.

Tenders to be lodged with Mr. A. Stuart, Clifton, on or before Saturday, 9th May. Specifications and work will be shown by Mr. Stuart.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
WILLIAM HAY,
Clerk to Board.
2t 6s 9d

BLUESKIN DISTRICT ROAD BOARD.

THE following Bye-law has been passed by the above Board:—

That no cattle be allowed to stray on the formed roads of the Blueskin District under a penalty not to exceed One Shilling per-head for every offence.

WILLIAM J. BOLT, Clerk to the Board.
April 17th, 1874.

Approved—J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.
29th April, 1874. 1t5s6d

NORTH TAIERI ROAD BOARD.

NOTICE is hereby Given, that the above Board intend to form a road line on part sections 41, 45, and 46, irregular block, 5, 6, and 12, block XIII, and 1, block XII, Taieri District; said road to be 100 links wide, and under the authority and powers vested in the Board, as per "Highway Boards Empowering Act," together with the "Lands Consolidation Act." The plan of the above road can be seen by any person interested for 40 days from this date, at the School House, Mosgiel, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.; and any persons affected by the above are required to state their objections in writing, and forward to the Board within 40 days from this date; and the Board will meet to hear and decide upon objections (if any) on Monday the 6th day of July, 1874, at 7 p.m.

Dated at Mosgiel, this 2nd day of May, 1874.

WILLIAM M'LEOD,
Clerk to the Board.

PALMERSTON INCORPORATED TOWN.

PUBLIC Notice is hereby Given, that the Assessment of all buildings, lands, tenements, and hereditaments within the Incorporated Town of Palmerston, authorised by the Otago Municipal Corporations Ordinance, 1865, and the Municipal Corporations Ordinance Amendment Ordinance, 1872, for the year ending 31st December, 1874, according to the full, fair, and estimated annual rent at which the same might reasonably be expected to let from year to year, free of all usual tenant's rates and taxes; and deducting therefrom the probable average annual costs of repairs, insurance, and other expenses (if necessary) to maintain the same in a state to command such rent, has been duly made: Notice is further Given, that the said Assessment having, on the 20th day of April, 1874, been allowed by the Council of the said Town, is now deposited and may be inspected at the Town Clerk's office, Town Hall, Copinsha-street, in the said town, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by any person interested therein.

And Notice is further Given, that any Appeal against the assessment may be lodged at the Town Clerk's office aforesaid (where forms may be obtained) on or before Monday, the 18th day of May, 1874; Also, that a copy of each Notice of Appeal is required by law to be served not later than the 4th prox. upon any person whose name it is proposed to insert in the assessment, or whose property it may be alleged has been omitted therefrom, or assessed below its full, fair, and annual value.

A copy of each Notice of Appeal is also required to be delivered by the appellant to the Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court, Palmerston, on or before noon on the 18th day of May aforesaid.

WILLIAM COBDEN,
Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Palmerston,
April 20th, 1874. 1t 18s 6d

CORPORATION OF INVERCARGILL.

BUILDING REGULATIONS.—Addition to Regulation No. 12.—A Regulation of the Council of the Town of Invercargill, under Part V. of the 13th Schedule of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867."

That the following Clause shall be incorporated with and read as Clause 19 of Regulation No. 12:—

No Building which shall have been erected before the Regulation No. 12, relating to New Buildings, shall have come into force, shall be altered or added to, in respect to the external walls, except in accordance with the provisions of the said Regulation.

The foregoing Regulation was made by the Council of the Town of Invercargill this sixteenth day of March, 1874.

W. B. SCANDRETT,
Town Clerk.

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NOTICE.

FREE NOMINATED IMMIGRATION.

(Extract from Order in Council, 15th October, 1873.)

REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF IMMIGRATION TO NEW ZEALAND, ON THE NOMINATION OF IMMIGRANTS BY PERSONS RESIDENT THEREIN.

1. Any person resident in the Colony, desirous of nominating relatives or friends in Europe for passages to New Zealand, may do so by applying to an Immigration Officer, in the form at foot, copies of which can be obtained at all Immigration and Post Offices.

The persons nominated, if approved by the Immigration Officer and the officers of the Home Agency, will receive free passages to the Colony.

2. Every adult emigrant will be required, before embarkation, to pay, unless specially remitted by the Agent-General, 20s. (and children in proportion), for bedding, blankets, and mess utensils.

3 The cost of conveyance to the port (unless the Agent General agrees to pay it), and to the residence of their friends after their arrival in the Colony, must be defrayed by the emigrants themselves.

4. All the ships employed in this service will be under the provisions of the Passenger Act,

5. It is to be distinctly understood, that notwithstanding the applications are forwarded to the Agent-General by the Immigration Officers, the Agent-General in London may refuse passages where the intending emigrants are in ill-health, or in any way unfitted, according to his judgment, to emigrate.

6. The Regulations, issued upon 21st April, 1873, for the payment of bonuses to the nominators upon the arrival of the nominated immigrants, are hereby rescinded; and no certificates for the payment of such bonuses will be given after the date hereof.

To the IMMIGRATION OFFICER,

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I have the honor to state that, in my opinion, the persons named below would not be unwilling to emigrate to New Zealand, and would be desirable colonists.

I have, therefore, to advise that such persons should be communicated with, and invited to emigrate to the Colony.

I have, &c.,

Name	Address [If the recommender does not know the address, he will state where the address can be obtained.] Trade or Occupation
Supposed Age	
Family [Particulars of family as accurately as possible]	

IMPOUNDED, on the 24th day of April, 1874, by Mr. Daniel Hanlon, Farmer, Wai Keri Keri Valley—

1 Red and White Bull, with no visible brands, about two years old.
1 Red and White Bull, branded like N A off ribs. For which Five Shillings per head are claimed for driving expenses; and in default of the above two Bulls being released they will be sold on Friday, the 22nd of May, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Leaning Rock Clyde Pound.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS,
Poundkeeper.

ABSTRACTS from previous *Gazettes* of Impounding Notices:—

On Friday, May 8th, at noon, 2 bullocks will be sold at Invercargill pound.
On Friday, May 15th, at noon, a cow and a calf will be sold at Hayes Lake pound.
On Friday, May 22nd, at noon, a steer will be sold at Macraes pound.

MASONIC HALL COMPANY LIMITED
(IN LIQUIDATION).

THE following Resolution was passed at a meeting of the Shareholders, held in the Masonic Hall, on Friday, 1st May, 1874:—

"Resolved, that in the opinion of this meeting, the affairs of the Dunedin Masonic Hall Company Limited have been fairly and satisfactorily wound up."

JULIUS HYMEN, } Official
JAS. B. M'ULLOCH, } Liquidators.

Dunedin, 2nd May, 1874. 4t. 12s 6d

Now Ready, Price 3s. 6d.: Postage Free, 3s. 8d.
(Liberal Discount to the Trade.)

WISE'S NEW MAP OF OTAGO, compiled from Government Surveys, and shewing district roads and railways, with electoral districts finely coloured.

HENRY WISE, Publisher, Dunedin.

GAZETTE.—Complaints have been made by several parties of the non-receipt of the *Gazette*. As the *Gazette* is regularly posted in Dunedin, parties who do not receive it will be good enough to endeavour to find out the reason of the non-delivery.

(From the *New Zealand Gazette*, April 23rd, 1874.)

Justices of the Peace appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 21st April, 1874.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS CALCUTT, Esq., of Goodwood, Otago;
CHARLES HENRY STREET, Esq., of Dunedin;
CHARLES DE VERE TESCHMAKER, Esq., of Kakanui, Otago;

to be Justices of the Peace for the Colony.

G. MAURICE O'RORKE,
Acting Minister of Justice.