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THE following further correspondence is published for general information:—

Wellington, May 25.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th May in reply to mine of the 3rd inst. Whilst I desire to bring this correspondence to a conclusion I feel it necessary to explicitly explain certain points concerning which you clearly misunderstood me. I did not say, or desire to say, that there never were any able engineers in Otago. I meant no more than the words I used implied—that the Province has suffered, which does not mean always suffered, from inexperienced engineers. If the Government are correctly informed some of the branch railways in Otago amply corroborate this statement. The memory of the past engineering talent is no substitute for present inexperience. You still fail to see the views of the Government about the land sales. They have not expressed any opinion as to whether or not it was desirable to sell the particular pieces of land. Their objection has been to the manner of the proposed sale. Using a power delegated by the Governor it was contrived to give certain persons an exclusive privilege of purchase. To this the Government objected; and seeing that your Honor and your Executive were acting under a delegated authority the Government has clearly a right to object. They did not however, attempt, as you suppose, to coerce or guide the Board. They obtained information which was patent in Dunedin as to the supposed feelings of members of the Board, and they were glad to be able to think there was no necessity for interference. If your Honor will only give proper notice, the Government have no objection to the lands in question being sold; indeed they are quite at a loss to understand why the lands have been given back to the runholders instead of the latter being compensated, and the land properly submitted for sale. The Estimates for the six months now current were prepared by your Honor before the land sale was stopped, and you have represented that the very large land revenue there set down was because of expected sales in Hundreds, not because of the sales of mountain tops. I have not objected to branch railway: the objection I stated was that you

constructed them without the means to pay for them. The logical position is this: you incur expenditure; to meet it you propose large land sales. On one occasion you tell us you look to the sales of land in Hundreds for the necessary means; on another occasion (*vide* memo. to Waste Lands Board) such sales are condemned, and you state that you rely for expenditure on the sales of mountain tops, and that works will have to be suspended in consequence of the sales having been stopped. Subsequently you write that you still consider your estimates of revenue reasonable, and rely upon obtaining the amount, whilst at the same time you send a copy of your memo. to the Waste Lands Board, conveying quite an opposite impression. Admit this labyrinth the Government can find no path excepting that of upholding the law and deprecating its violations. I subjoin extracts from the correspondence, showing the contradictions to which I refer. Notwithstanding your Honor's ejaculatory remarks I am unable to discover any breach of faith from which Otago will suffer. At the time the Colony under the Public Works policy began to perform Provincial work it was stated that if the Provinces proved to be inconsistent with that policy they must give way. That policy has done for Otago what Provincialism failed to do, and could not have done in a much longer period. I have already expressed the opinion that the idea of making Otago a separate Colony is purely chimerical; such a step is altogether opposed to the received policy of the day. To make a miniature Victoria and New South Wales out of Otago and Canterbury, with a border duty question on the Waitaki, would be as injudicious as impossible. The notion of a separate Colony for one island is now equally chimerical, and let me say, excepting to Otago, would be wholly distasteful to the rest of the Middle Island. Apart from the wholly chimerical nature of your Honor's views as to isolating Otago I am constrained to point out that such isolation would not benefit Otago, nor be in accordance with the large business connections which have grown into existence between it and the other Provinces. If Otago has made wonderful progress, so has the rest of New Zealand; and the people of Otago have just as much rea-

son to be proud of the advancement of the whole Colony as of their particular portion of it. I am of opinion that there exists in Otago, together with a desire to manage locally local affairs, a much larger Colonial pride and spirit than your Honor appears to recognise. I thank your Honor for the courtesy you have displayed throughout this correspondence, and I reiterate my feelings of personal regret at the want of agreement between us on the points which have been raised. I hope, however, as the measures assume shape and form that your Honor's objections will yield to your convictions of the propriety of the wants and wishes of the country. I am indebted to your Honor for the use of the correspondence has been to the Government in placing before the people much information which they should possess, even before Parliament meets, in order to counteract the effects of the misconception which previously existed. Freed from the prejudices those misconceptions excited thousands of thoughtful people in Otago will form their own opinions, and regret their previous hasty reliance upon the statements of those in opposition to the Government.

WILLIAM VOCEL
ENCLOSURES
[Extract from telegram from Colonial Secretary to Mr. Macandrew.]

I shall therefore be obliged if your Honor will furnish me with full information upon the following points:—(2) The data upon which the very large estimates of land revenue have been formed.

[Extract from telegram of Mr. Macandrew to Colonial Secretary.]

May 3. Provincial Estimates. The data on which the land revenue is founded is the large extent of new hundreds coming into market.

[Colonial Secretary to Macandrew; telegram of 10th May re estimates.]

The position your Honor takes up is inexplicable. You telegraph the Government that in proposing estimates you calculated on sale of land in hundreds, and that the receipts for the half year will equal the amount estimated. On the other hand you write to Government calling urgent attention to your memo. to the Waste Lands Board, in which you inform that body that its action in stopping the sale of pastoral lands upsets your calculations, deprives you of expected revenues, and has compelled you to refuse tenders for necessary works, and that probably you will have to abandon existing contracts. The estimates sent us were prepared before the Board refused the sale. The position then is this: You tell the Government the estimates were prepared in reliance on the sale of land in Hundreds, and that you still expect the revenue. On the other hand you tell the Waste Lands Board (and call our attention to your memo) that all your calculations are upset, that you cannot get the revenue as anticipated, and that you must stop the very works you now ask us to approve. We now desire to put it distinctly to your Honor whether, under existing circumstances, you have good grounds for adhering to your original estimates of receipts from land sales.

BOWEN,
For Colonial Secretary.

[Mr. Macandrew to Colonial Secretary. Telegram of 11th May re Provincial Estimates.]

In reply to the last part of your telegram, yes. Provincial Government put the alternative to your Government to reduce the revenue, reduce also the expenditure, specifying the items. The other portions of your telegram raise the waste lands question, which is being discussed between myself and the Premier in another correspondence.

[Colonial Secretary to Mr. Macandrew, May 12.]
Re estimates, we leave it distinctly to your Honor whether, under existing circumstances, you have good grounds for adhering to your original estimate of receipts from land sales. To this you reply yes, and therefore Government will advise His Excellency to approve your estimates. The responsibility of providing the money required will still rest with your Honor.
[Extract from letter of Mr. Macandrew to Colonial Secretary.]

4th May, 1876.
I must regret that while you neither admit nor deny the fact, alluded to, you express your approval of the action of the Waste Lands Board in declining to grant the applications, and as a necessary inference your approval of the serious consequences which the action involves. These consequences are concisely set forth in a memo. addressed by me to the Waste Land Board, copy of which is forwarded herewith, as also the Chief Surveyor's report as to the quality of the land referred to. I need scarcely say the result of the Board's action will have a most injurious effect upon the labour market during the ensuing winter, if indeed it does not throw thousands out of employment.
[Extract from memo. from the Superintendent to the Waste Lands Board.]

In the face of the Board's decision, the Government has very reluctantly been compelled to abstain from accepting tenders for various works which are absolutely necessary, and which would otherwise have been gone on with at once, and it is probable that steps may have to be taken to suspend or abandon existing contracts.

Province of Otago, New Zealand
Superintendent's Office,
Dunedin, 31st May, 1876.

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 25th May, 1876. I cannot say I am surprised that you desire to bring this correspondence to a conclusion. Nothing but a painful sense of duty and responsibility would have led me to engage in such a political controversy, not of my seeking, and I must regret that your last letter should have rendered it necessary for me to write again. It is, however, satisfactory to think that our correspondence has afforded you an opportunity of placing before the public such information which it was desirable they should possess information which hitherto has not been so explicitly stated, and which, I am glad to say, has confirmed in the grounds of their opposition to your present policy, those who, like myself, desire to check the growth in New Zealand of a despotic Centralism.

At the same time I cannot but regret that in the heat of a political controversy you should have been betrayed into attacking any Provincial Government officer. In your letter of 3rd May you did not, as you now do, confine your criticisms to engineers at present, or very lately, in the Provincial service. You said you thought Otago had suffered from the "want of engineering skill." I pointed out that this was a slur upon the competency of all engineers that had been in the Provincial service. Your last letter made matters worse. You are condemning unheard men who have to rely upon their professional reputation for their employment, and this on an *ex parte* report, unknown to them and unknown to their employers.

Although the light branch railways now being constructed in this Province, chiefly out of bêcheux, at a cost not more than that of metalled roads, may not find favour in the eyes of a Colonial engineer, they will, I venture to predict, be highly prized by those who have to pay for them, and will be an immense boon to many important districts. They will also add greatly to the success of the main lines. If the Colonial Government has been furnished by its officers with reports on the Otago light branch railways, you would be conferring a favour on the Provincial Government

were you to send me copies of such reports, so that the engineers attacked might have an opportunity of defending themselves.

As to the waste lands administration, I observe that your only objection now to the proposed sale of which you lately disapproved, is that there was no competition allowed—an assumption which cannot be reconciled with the fact that there were more than one application for the same land. It would appear that your Government has no objection to the creation of vast private estates. The method of dealing with the Native lands, to which I must not particularly allude, abundantly proves that. The real question is, Did the Provincial Government take the best means of getting the highest price for the land open for sale? I assert they did, and should be glad to learn on what information you express a contrary opinion. That the means adopted were not unusual my letters to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary shows, and when the provisions of the Otago Waste Lands Act are remembered, I again assert that if the land had been offered at auction at 10s. an acre the Government would not have obtained 20s. for the block opened.

As to your method of dealing with the Waste Lands Board in the exercise of their quasi-judicial functions I am surprised that the Colonial Government should have adopted, to my mind, the apparently unbecoming position of sending persons to interview the members prior to their performance of such functions. In fairness to the members it seems to me that the telegrams you received from Dunedin in reference to their "supposed feelings" should be published, as I cannot but feel that they have been placed in a painful and peculiarly embarrassing position. You have sent, as an appendix to your letter, certain extracts from a correspondence that has passed between the Hon. the Colonial Secretary and myself. I cannot see, however, what bearing this has upon the question at issue. On 24th April you asked me to state the data on which the estimated revenue of the current half year was made up. I replied that the estimate was based upon the extent of new Hundreds which were being placed in the market. Had I used the words "largely based," I should have been more correct, and the horns of a dilemma which you attempt to impale me on would have been absent.

It is perhaps to be regretted that all the correspondence which has passed between the General and Provincial Governments during the past 12 months has not yet been published. Were this done it would serve to enlighten the people of Otago to the great difficulties which the Provincial Government has laboured under in administering the affairs of the Province.

In reference to the estimates forwarded to the Colonial Government under the provisions of the Provincial Appropriation Extension Act, let me treat which the Provincial Government has met with be an illustration. In this matter the Colonial Government insisted upon a proposition which ultimately they had to abandon—a proposition, as I was advised, in violation of law. They attempted to assume the functions of the Provincial Council—a body which, in consequence of their action, could not be co-opted. I need not point out to you that the Provincial Appropriation Act provides for the Government approving of the estimates of revenue only, and that His Excellency has not to determine which road is to be funded or which bridge built.

The Assembly, although bent on Abolition, felt that such a function could not be so well performed as by the Superintendents and Executives of Provinces. And notwithstanding this I forwarded the estimates of expenditure of the Provincial Government of Otago had nothing to conceal, and in the hope that this might have led to the estimates of revenue being more

speedily approved of. Revenue estimates were forwarded on April 13, and as yet have not been returned to me approved. The result has been much to my inconvenience, as other telegrams not referred to in the appendix to your letter will disclose.

I abstained in my former letters from casting any reflection on the administration of the Colonial Government, as you apparently considered such out of place in this correspondence. As to the difficulty of the Provincial Government's estimates of revenue and expenditure through which the Colonial Government can find no path, it is only another illustration of the evil of governing from a distance. Had the Provincial Council been in session the Appropriation Ordinance could have become law without the delay of that has occurred, and I can only add that my advisers feel that though the action of the Waste Lands Board and your Government would place them in a difficulty, they could not well reduce the estimates of their expenditure, as the sales of special value lands towards the end of the six months might make up the deficiency. If, however, the land revenue does not come up to expectation means have been taken to keep the expenditure within the revenue.

I concur with you that there exists in Otago a Colonial pride and spirit in which I have always shared, and which influenced me in opposing a dismemberment of the Colony years ago, which that policy was by none more warmly advocated than by yourself. But in common with the people of Otago I feel that New Zealand cannot become great by creating a centralised administration, and that the true interests of both islands and of their respective divisions is to cherish within each the greatest amount of self-reliance. If you think that there can be such local government as I advocate without involving different Customs duties, you altogether misunderstand me. No doubt were Otago an independent Colony its aim would be to make all its ports free. I, for one, however, have no desire to see the Province separated from the rest of the Colony unless it is absolutely driven to that course as the only means of preserving its entity, and of holding its own. All it requires, as I take it, is a fair field and no favour. It wants nothing for itself which it is not willing to concede to the other portions of the Colony—namely, the management of its own local affairs, and the disposal of its own revenue within its own borders, excepting so much as may be required for purely federal purposes. The allusion to the Border Duties question is not out of point in so far as I am concerned. Surely there may be an agreement as to Customs tariffs between separate Colonies, such as have existed between different kingdoms.

You express your hope that as the proposed measures assume shape and form my objections will cease. You will excuse me for saying that I am at a loss to comprehend this. In your former letters we were led to believe that all details had been arranged, and that nothing was required to secure such becoming laws, but the submitting them to Parliament. I pointed out that your proposals might not be sanctioned, and what you say it appears that you have agreed to submit the Constitution of the Colony, and that what is to take its place has not assumed shape and form. I confess that this is to my mind somewhat perplexing. Can it be that the Colonial Government is not becoming aware of the difficulties which beset its path, and that what was sketched in your former letters may have to assume a shape and form unlike that which you then detailed? You say that you cannot see any breach of faith in Otago in the proposal to repeal the salutary provisions of the Immigration and Public Works Act in reference to the disabilities of those Provinces within which such ways are constructed. If this be so then I apprehend

it would be no breach of faith next year to repeal any Act which may be passed this year to localise the land revenue. I fear that in placing faith in Acts of the Colonial Parliament the people have been heretofore too confiding, and I for one am determined not again to err in that direction.

And now, in conclusion, let me say that if even by an ejaculatory remark I have said anything distasteful I trust you will forgive me, as my duty to this Province has constrained me most reluctantly to contribute this correspondence. I yet hope to see the Colonial Parliament granting to Otago that which she has a right to demand, namely, that the Province shall be governed as its people desire. Should, however, this be denied I am not singular in believing that the progress of the Colony will receive a heavy blow and great discouragement, which will be most injurious. The uncertainty even now which exists as to what the next scheme of the Central Government may be is creating an uneasy feeling throughout the community, which you need not be told is highly detrimental to the progress of the Colony. I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

JAMES MACANDREW,

Superintendent of Otago.

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Superintendent

of the Province of Otago.

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Provincial Government Buildings, Dunedin, the sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

Present:

HIS HONOR THE SUPERINTENDENT,
JOHN DAVIE,

and

JAMES GREEN, Esquires,

Members of the Executive Council of the Province of Otago.

WHEREAS Thomas Dick, Esquire then Superintendent of the Province of Otago by virtue and in exercise of the powers delegated to and vested in him in that behalf did by proclamation in the Government Gazette of the said Province bearing date the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven constitute and appoint all the territory therein described to be a Gold Field under the provisions of the "Gold Fields Act 1866" to be called the "Otago Gold Field." And whereas the limits of the said Gold Field have from time to time been altered: And whereas by the "Gold Fields Act Amendment Act 1867" it is enacted that within any Province in which by any Act or Ordinance it is provided that the Superintendent shall in the administration of the government thereof act by and with the advice and consent of an Executive Council it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council under his hand and under the Public Seal of the Colony from time to time as occasion may require to delegate to the Executive Government for the time being of such Province subject or not to any restrictions or limitations as he shall think fit all or any of such powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by the "Gold Fields Act 1866" as under or by virtue of the one hundred and ninth section of the said Act may be delegated by the Governor in Council and in like manner to revoke any such delegation: And whereas by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the Province of Otago intitled the "Executive Council Ordinance 1867" it is provided that the Superintendent of the said Province shall in the ad-

ministration of the government thereof act by and with the advice and consent of an Executive Council: And whereas the Governor hath with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand and in pursuance of the power and authority for that purpose vested in him by the "Gold Fields Act 1866" and subject to its provisions delegated unto the Executive Government for the time being of the Province of Otago all such powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by the said last-mentioned Act as under or by virtue of the one hundred and ninth section of the said last-mentioned Act may be delegated by the Governor in Council to have hold and exercise the said powers within the said Province of Otago: and whereas by section XI. of the "Gold Fields Act 1866" it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council subject to the provisions of the said Act from time to time to make Regulations for any Gold Field and to alter amend or revoke the same: And whereas by an Order in Council dated the eighth day of December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one and published in the Provincial Government Gazette of the Province of Otago aforesaid (number 772) of the ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two certain regulations were made under the said section XI of the said Act for the said Otago Gold Field: And whereas it is desirable to add to the said regulations:

Now therefore his Honor James Macandrew Superintendent of the Province of Otago by and with the advice of the Executive Council of the said Province and by virtue and in exercise of the powers delegated to the Executive Government of the said Province of Otago in this behalf doth hereby make the regulations following for the "Otago Gold Field" in addition to those now in force.

ALEX. WILLIS,

Clerk to the Executive Council of the Province of Otago.

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR THE "OTAGO GOLD FIELD."

The Warden may require any applicant for a lease to appear personally before him at the hearing or adjourned hearing of his application and to give evidence upon oath and if the Warden is satisfied that the applicant is in respect of the land applied for an agent or a servant of or a trustee for any other person or that the land is not applied for bona fide for the use and occupation and benefit of the applicant in his own proper person or that the applicant has entered into any agreement or understanding to permit any other person to acquire by purchase or otherwise the land in respect of which such application is made or any part thereof or the applicants interest therein or the usufruct thereof or if the applicant shall fail to appear after notice served upon him or upon any agent who may have lodged his application the Warden shall refuse the application and shall deal with any other application for the same land as though the application so refused had never been made.

Objections that the land is not applied for bona fide for the use occupation and benefit of the applicant must be made in writing and lodged within the time and in the manner provided for other objections but the Warden may on cause shown receive such objections at any time and the Warden may award to the objector and his witnesses or the applicants and his witnesses as the case may be reasonable costs and expenses in supporting or rebutting the objection as in the case of other objections and payment thereof shall be enforced in the same manner.

PROCLAMATION

Setting apart 3,200 Acres of Land in the Kingston Hundred for occupation on deferred payments.

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

WHEREAS by the 47th section of the Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Superintendent, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council, to set apart in any part of the Province, districts or blocks of land within which licenses to occupy land and leases thereof on deferred payments may be granted either exclusively or within which the land shall be open for license or lease on deferred payment, or for sale on immediate payment:

And whereas the Provincial Council of the Province of Otago has recommended the Superintendent of the said Province to set apart the lands hereinafter specified for alienation on deferred payments:

Now therefore I, James Macandrew, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, by and with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council as aforesaid, do hereby, by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," and of every or any power in this behalf enabling me, proclaim, declare, and set apart all those sections numbered respectively 3, 4, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, block III., Kingston District, and 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 14, block II., Nokomai Survey District, will be open on the 10th day of July, 1876, for application for license and lease, on deferred payment, as provided in "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872."

Given under my hand, and issued under the public seal of the Province of Otago, this sixth day of July, 1876.

(L.S.) J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of Otago.

PROCLAMATION

Setting apart 600 Acres of Land in the North Glenkenich Hundreds for occupation on deferred payments.

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

WHEREAS by the 47th Section of the Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Superintendent, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council, to set apart in any part of the province, districts or blocks of land within which licenses to occupy land and leases thereof on deferred payments may be granted either exclusively, or within which the land shall be open for license or lease on deferred payment, or for sale on immediate payment:

And whereas the Provincial Council of the Province of Otago has recommended the Superintendent of the said Province to set apart the lands hereinafter specified for alienation on deferred payments:

Now therefore I, James Macandrew, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, by and with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council as aforesaid, do hereby, by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by the "Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," and of every or any power in this behalf enabling me, proclaim, declare, and set apart all those sections numbered respectively 19, 21, and 22, block V., Glenkenich Survey District will be open on Monday, the 10th day of July, 1876, for application for license and lease on deferred payment, as provided in the "Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872."

Given under my hand, and issued under the public seal of the Province of Otago, this second day of June, 1876.

(L.S.) J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of Otago.

PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS by Section 5 of the "Kakanui Harbour Board Ordinance, 1873," it is provided that so often as any members of the Kakanui Harbour Board shall be absent from the Province of Otago for the space of six consecutive calendar months the Superintendent, shall appoint, by Proclamation in the Otago Provincial Government Gazette, other fit and proper persons to be members of the said Board, in the room of the members so continuing absent as aforesaid.

Now therefore I, James Macandrew, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, under and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the said Ordinance, and of every other power and authority enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and appoint

MATTHEW MORTON, of Kakanui, Esquire,
and

JAMES ROBERTSON ELDER, of Maheno, Esquire, to be members of the Kakanui Harbour Board, in room of George Webster, Esquire, M.D., and Charles De Vere Teschemaker, Esquire, who have been absent from the colony for the space of six calendar months.

Given under my hand, and issued under the public seal of the Province of Otago, at Dunedin, this 6th day of June, 1876.

(L.S.) J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of Otago.

NOTIFICATION

Of the Establishment of a Pound, known as Riverton Pound.

NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of the powers vested in me by the "Impounding Ordinance, 1872," I have established a Pound, known as Riverton Pound, situate on the Māori Reserve side of Havelock-street, Town of Riverton, in the Province of Otago, and Colony of New Zealand, and that I have appointed

MR. EDWIN CRAGGS,
of Riverton aforesaid, settler, to be keeper of the said Pound.

J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of the Province of Otago.
2nd June, 1876.

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 Act 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 June, 1876.

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 fifth day of June, 1876.

J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Franz William Frederick Geison, on behalf of the Poon Zee Kong Company, for 2 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 south east side of section 76, block 19, Shotover District.

NOTICE.—Whereas it is intended to stop up the Road which is described in the Schedule hereunder written, and is delineated on the map or plan mentioned and referred to in the "Taieri District Roads Lands Ordinance, 1864," Session XIX., copy of which map or plan so far as it relates to the particular road intended to be stopped up in the Road District specified in the Schedule was deposited at the public School mentioned immediately after the description of the respective road intended to be stopped up in the North Taieri Road District: Now therefore I, James Macandrew, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in me in that behalf by the "Taieri District Roads Lands Ordinance, 1864," Session No. XIX., do hereby give notice that all persons objecting to the stopping up of that road are required to set forth a statement in writing of any well-grounded objections they may have to the stopping up of that road, and to leave such statement addressed to me at my office, in Dunedin, within sixty days from the first publication hereof, otherwise such objections will not be considered by me.

SCHEDULE.
NORTH TAIERI ROADS DISTRICT.
Thirty-five (35) chains in length, sixty (60) links wide from north-east angle of section number 32, irregular block, Taieri to district road, on the south side of Blocks II. and III., Taieri; boundaries west by Section 24, east by Section 25, irregular block, Taieri.

Plan to be seen at the School-house, North Taieri.
Dated at Dunedin this 16th day of May, 1876.
J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of the Province of Otago.

APPOINTMENT OF POLLING PLACE.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by Section 101 of the "Otago Roads Ordinance, 1871," I hereby appoint the Mill of Messrs. Somerville Brothers at Waitepeka to be the polling place at all elections for Eastern Wairepa Subdivision of the Clutha Road District.
Dated at Dunedin, this day of 1876.
J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of Otago.

APPOINTMENT OF POLLING PLACES.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by Section 101 of the "Otago Roads Ordinance, 1871," I hereby appoint the Court-house, Mataura, the School-house, Tutarau, and the Dwelling-house of Mr. L. D. Nicol to be the polling places at all elections for Waikana, Mararua, and Wairikiki Sub-divisions respectively of the Tutarau Road District.
Dated at Dunedin, this day of 1876.
J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent of Otago.

NOTICE

Of Appointment of Rangers for the Acclimatization Society of Otago.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honor the Superintendent of the Province of Otago, in exercise of the power vested in him by Section 31 of the Protection of Animals Act, 1873, has appointed Messrs.

- ROBERT CHARTERS,
- JOHN SUTHERLAND,
- GEORGE PRIN,
- JAMES FORREST,

all of East Taieri, to be Rangers for the Acclimatization Society of Otago, in terms of said Section 31 of "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873."

D. REID,
Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office,
Dunedin, 6th June, 1876.

MEMORANDUM OF GOVERNMENT LAND SALES.

DATE.	DISTRICT.	PLACE OF AUCTION OR APPLICATION.	PARTICULARS, &c.
1876. June 19	Crookston, Tapanui Hundred	D. P. applications at any Land Office	1s. 6d. per acre half-yearly. See advertisement.
" 21	Forest Hill Hundred Waiphee Greenwade, Glenkitch, Wakapuaka, Teetoes, Highlay, and Tuapeka West	"	"
22	Portobello Ballast Reserve	"	"
27	Chatton Hundred	Land Office, Dunedin.	License to occupy.
30	Wairepa	Application at any Land Office	1s. 6d. per acre half-yearly.
July 10	Forest Hill Hundred	Auction Land Office, Dunedin	30s. per acre and survey.
12	Stopdown (near Mataura)	Application, Land Office, Invercargill	20s. per acre.
13	Dunedin and East Taieri	" Dunedin and Invercargill	21s. Up pest prices.
" 19	Otago Peninsula (near Stungunui)	Auction Land Office, Dunedin	£10 a year.
" 21	Chapman and Greenwade (Heriot Hundred) Waikaka and Stopdown	Auction Town Hall, Tapanui Court House, Mataura Bridge	Special value.

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.
Land Department,
7th June, 1876.

CORRECTED NOTICE.

THE following Sections in the Oreti Hundred will be offered for sale by auction at the Land Office, Invercargill, at noon on Monday, the 11th day of June, proximo.

Section 106, containing 200 acres
 " 107 " 500 "
 " 108 " 500 "
 Upset price, £1 per acre.

WALTER H. PEARSON,
 Commissioner Crown Lands.
 Crown Lands Office,
 Invercargill, 11th May, 1876.

APPLICATION FOR LAND UNDER DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

Donald Cameron, Section 7, Block XV., Waipahoe District.

OBJECTIONS (if any) must be made in writing, and lodged on or before noon on Wednesday, 14th June, 1876, at the Land Office, Dunedin, when and where the above application will be decided.

J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner.
 Land Department,
 31st May, 1876.

DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

MONDAY, 27th JUNE, 1876.

2,200 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE ON DEFERRED PAYMENTS, IN THE CHATTON HUNDRED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Monday, the 27th day of June, 1876. Application must be made by the applicant in person, at any Land Office in the province, and a deposit of 1s. 6d. per acre paid at the time of making the application, being the first half-year's occupation fee. The purchase money is payable at the rate of 3s. per acre, per annum, for ten years.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land offices at Dunedin, at Invercargill, and at Lawrence.

Sections 2, 4, 7, 10, and 13, block V., and 2, 4, 13, 14, 16, and 18, block VI., Chatton Survey District.

DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

MONDAY, 19th JUNE, 1876.

5,766 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE ON DEFERRED PAYMENTS IN THE FOREST HILL HUNDRED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Monday, the 19th day of June, 1876. Application must be made by the applicant in person at the Land Office, Invercargill, and a deposit of 1s. 3d. per acre, being the first half-year's occupation fee paid at the time of making the application. The purchase money is payable at the rate of 2s. 6d. per acre per annum for ten years.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Offices at Dunedin, at Invercargill, and at Lawrence.

227, 228, 229, 230, 233, 234, 236, 237, 238, 239,
 241, 242, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 253, 254,
 255, 263, 264, 265, 267, 268, 271, 272, 273,
 and 275, Forest Hill Hundred.

DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

MONDAY, 19th JUNE, 1876.

1,400 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE ON DEFERRED PAYMENTS IN THE TAPANUI HUNDRED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Monday, the 19th day of June, 1876. Application must be made by the applicant in person, at any Land Office in the Province, and a deposit of 1s. 6d. per acre paid at the time of making the application, being the first half-year's occupation fee. The purchase money is payable at the rate of 3s. per acre per annum for ten years.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Offices at Dunedin, and at Lawrence.

3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, and 14, Block XII, Crookston Survey District.

PORTOBELLO BALLAST RESERVE.

THURSDAY, 22nd JUNE, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given that the license to occupy the Portobello Ballast Reserve, excepting portion required for ballast purposes under the 16th Clause of the "Otago Waste Land Act, 1872," will be offered for sale by public auction at the Land Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, 22nd June, 1876, at noon, at the upset price of £12 per annum. Other conditions to be stated at sale.

J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner.
 Lands Department, 10th May, 1876.

MONDAY, 26th JUNE, 1876,

At 12 o'clock.

TO be sold by public auction, at the Land Office, Invercargill, at noon, on Monday, the 26th day of June, 1876, the Lands hereafter described, viz. :-

All that piece or parcel of land, containing 10 acres 1 rood 8 poles, more or less, being part of section 18, block II, New River Hundred, lying east of Railway Reserve; bounded on the north by section 21, 193 links; on the east by section 19, 5,900 links; on the south by public road, 201 links; on the west by Railway Reserve 1,544 links, again on the north by Railway Reserve 25 links, again on the west by Railway Reserve 1076 links, again on the south by Railway Reserve 38 links, again on the west by Railway Reserve 3,280 links.

All that piece or parcel of land containing 9a. or 7p. more or less, being part of section 3, block XIV, Invercargill Hundred, lying east of Railway Reserve, bounded on the west by Railway Reserve 3,240 links, on the north by a public road 370 links, on the east by sections 2 and 1, of block XIV. aforesaid 3,270 links, and on the south by the Waikiwi Stream.

All that piece or parcel of land containing 5a. 2r. 14p., more or less, being other part of section 3, block XI, Invercargill Hundred, lying east of Railway Reserve, bounded on the west by Railway Reserve 2,700 links, on the north by Waikiwi Stream, on the east by section 1, block XIV, aforesaid 2,670 links, and on the south by a public road 231 links.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Wednesday, the 21st June, 1876. Application must be made by the applicant in person or at any Land Office in the Province, and a deposit of 1s. 6d. per acre paid at the time of making the application, being the first year's occupation fee. The purchase money is payable at the rate of 3s. per acre per annum for ten years.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Office, at Dunedin.

Section Block
 District of Wairarapa
 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Wednesday, the 21st June, 1876.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Office, at Dunedin.

Section Block
 District of Wairarapa
 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Waste Land Board has annulled the Licenses and declared unoccupied Section 7, block 5, Wairarapa; section 26, block 2, Glenkeirich; section 23, block 4, section 8, and 23, block 5, Greenvale; sections 1, 4, 15 and 11, block 4, Wakara; sections 12 and 17, block 8, Toe-toe; and sections 4, block 2, Highway District; also sections 54 and 69, block 3, Invercargill West District. The conditions required in terms of the 52d and 56d sections of the "Waste Land Act, 1872" not being fulfilled, and ordered that such sections should be assigned advertised open for application. (See advertisement.)

J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following allotments will be open for application at the Land Office, Invercargill, on and after Monday, 10th July:

FOREST HILL HUNDRED
 MONDAY, 10th JULY, 1876

226	100
233	100
235	100
240	100
248	100
251	100
252	100
259	100
270	100

J. MACANDREW,
 Superintendent of Otago.

NOTICE is hereby given that section 36, block 1, Wairarapa District, will be sold by public auction on Friday, the 30th June next, under the 52nd clause of the "Otago Waste Land Act, 1872" at the upset price of 30s. per acre, subject to Road Reservation, to be more correctly defined after survey. The upset price including mileage and bush lines, 59 8s. 6d. to be paid by the purchaser.

J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner,
 Waste Lands Board.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Monday, the 10th July, 1876.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Office at Dunedin, and at Lawrence.

Sections 19, 21, and 22, block A, Glenkeirich Survey District.

OTAGO PENINSULA DISTRICT
 NEAR SANDYMOUNT

THURSDAY, 13th JULY, 1876

NOTICE is hereby given the Lease of section 33, block III, Otago Peninsula District, 430 acres, for 14 years, under clause 85, "Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," at the upset annual rental of £1000, will be sold by public auction, at the Land Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, 13th July, 1876.

J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner,
 Land Department.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following allotments will be open for application at the Land Office, Invercargill, on and after Monday, 10th July:

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J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner,
 Waste Lands Board.

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J. T. THOMSON,
 Chief Commissioner,
 Waste Lands Board.

DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

MONDAY, 10th JULY, 1876.

3,200 Acres of Land for Sale on Deferred Payments in the Kingston Hundred.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on deferred payments on Monday, the 10th day of July, 1876. Application must be made by the applicant in person at any Land Office in the Province, and a deposit of 1s. 6d. per acre paid at the time of making the application, being the first half-year's occupation fee. The purchase money is payable at the rate of 3s. per acre per annum for ten years.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Offices at Dunedin, Invercargill, and Queenstown.

Sections 3, 4, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, and 17, block III., Kingston Survey District, and 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 14, block II., Nokomai Survey District.

**SLOPEDOWN DISTRICT,
OTARIA.**

WEDNESDAY, 12TH JULY, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given that sections 1, 4, and 5, block III., Slopedown District, will be open for application at £1 per acre on Wednesday, 12th July, 1876, at the Land Offices, Dunedin and Invercargill.

Plans to be seen, and lithographs obtained, at the Land Offices, Dunedin and Invercargill.

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Land Department,
31st May, 1876.

**HERRIOT HUNDRED,
NEAR TAPANUI.**

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Sections in the above Hundred will be offered for sale by public auction by R. B. Martin, at the Town Hall, Tapanui, on Wednesday, 19th July, 1876, at noon, as land of special value, under clause 85 of the "Otago Waste Lands Act 1872," at the upset price opposite each section.

Section.	Block.	Acreage.	District.	Upset price.
19	7	239 0 00	Crookston	£ 361 6 0
2	8	263 2 00	"	424 13 0
3	8	293 1 12	"	440 0 0
6	8	203 9 00	"	304 10 0
9	8	200 0 00	"	300 0 0
24	8	200 0 00	"	405 14 0
3	9	216 2 00	Greenvale	324 15 0
4	9	140 0 00	"	210 0 0
10	9	198 2 00	"	297 15 0
11	9	195 1 11	"	293 0 0
12	9	287 3 00	"	431 12 6
13	9	206 1 37	"	328 17 6
14	9	199 0 16	"	314 16 3
18	9	126 2 30	"	190 0 0
1	10	208 1 00	"	312 7 6
2	10	199 2 16	"	299 8 0
3	10	200 0 00	"	300 0 0
7	10	195 2 14	"	293 7 6
8	10	196 2 00	"	294 15 0

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Land Department,
3rd May, 1876.

DUNEDIN AND EAST TAIERI DISTRICT.

THURSDAY, 13TH JULY, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given that section 43, block I., Dunedin and East Taieri District, containing 31 acres, 1 rood, 35 poles, will be offered for sale by public auction as land of special value, under Clause 85, "Otago Waste Land Act, 1872," at the Land Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 13th July, 1876, at noon, at the upset price of £1 1s. per acre.

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Land Department,
31st May, 1876.

OTAKARAMA AND KAIWERA HUNDREDS.

**WAIKAKA AND SLOPEDOWN DISTRICTS,
(Near Mataura Bridge).**

FRIDAY 21ST JULY, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Sections in the above named Hundreds will be offered for sale by Mr. R. S. Martin, by public auction, at the Court House, Mataura Bridge, on Friday, 21st July 1876, at noon, as land of special value, under clause 85 "Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," at the upset price opposite each section.

OTAKARAMA HUNDRED.

Section.	Block.	Acreage.	District.	Upset Price.
1	12	254 2 00	Waikaka	£ 350 0 0
2	"	199 1 00	"	274 0 0
3	"	229 3 00	"	316 0 0
4	"	292 2 00	"	402 4 0
5	"	289 1 00	"	397 15 0
9	"	375 2 00	"	516 6 0
10	"	380 3 00	"	523 10 0
11	"	206 1 00	"	283 12 0
12	"	284 1 00	"	390 17 0
13	"	348 3 00	"	529 0 0
14	"	350 0 00	"	481 5 0
15	"	319 3 25	"	440 0 0
18	"	241 3 29	"	353 0 0
19	"	290 0 13	"	399 0 0
20	"	295 0 25	"	405 15 0
21	"	246 2 00	"	393 0 0
22	"	259 1 00	"	393 10 0

KAIWERA HUNDRED.

14	3	340 1 37	Slopedown	350 0 0
7	"	315 3 13	"	336 0 0
6	"	27 1 39	"	30 0 0
16	"	372 1 33	"	415 0 0
17	"	57 0 38	"	60 0 0
18	"	309 3 36	"	379 0 0

J. T. THOMSON,
Chief Commissioner.

Land Department, 31st May, 1876.

LAND FOR SETTLEMENT.

MR. ROBERT SHORT, Land Office, Dunedin, has been appointed to supply information as to settlement on the land, whether by immediate purchase, deferred payments, or under agricultural leases.

Mr. Short will show maps of the land and assist purchasers or selectors in making the necessary applications.

EDUCATIONAL RESERVES, SOUTHLAND.

The following Reserves will be leased by auction at the Land Office, Invercargill, at noon on Monday, the 12th of June next. For further particulars apply at Mr. Barker's office, Invercargill.

LOCALITY	Blks	SECT	ACRES	REMARKS
Mataura Hundred	I	58	226	On Edendale plains, near Mataura Terrace.
Aparima Hundred	II	13	28	On the Otatau River.
Jacob's River Hundred	VI	27	224	Near Otatau Bush.
do. do. do.	VII	55	222	At the junction of the Invercargill and Riverflat Road, 5 miles from Riverflat.
Winton do. do. do.	VII	31	28	On River Flat, adjoining Thomson and Sout's Farm.
New River do. do. do.	XIII	64	139	Near Spar Bush.
Mabel do. do. do.	II	35	58	Adjoining Park Reserve, Invercargill.
Invercargill do. do. do.	I	23	30	
do. do. do.	IX	8	68	
do. do. do.	IX	9	63	
do. do. do.	IX	10	61	
do. do. do.	IX	11	58	
do. do. do.	IX	12	54	
do. do. do.	XI	48	30	

2,300 Acres of Land for the Education of the Native Race in the Invercargill Hundred. The following sections will be open for application on the 12th of June next. Applications must be made by the 12th of June next at the Land Office in the Province of Otago. At the junction of the Invercargill and Riverflat Road, 5 miles from Riverflat. On River Flat, adjoining Thomson and Sout's Farm. Near Spar Bush. Adjoining Park Reserve, Invercargill. On the road leading from the Junction Hotel, North Road, to the Mabel district. On boundary, Invercargill Hundred.

OTAGO WASTE LANDS ACT, 1872. SECTION 65, SUB-SECTION 1, TENTH SCHEDULE.

DISTRICT OF MOUNT IDA.

I hereby give notice that I intend to construct a Dam and Reservoir for the storage of water in connection with my water race held under certificate No. 19, dated 5th November, 1875, an area of one quarter of an acre, situate near the Township of Hyde, viz., at the hill to the west of section 18, Township of Hyde, and I have marked out the said area with pegs and trenches; and also give notice that I intend to construct a race from the said dam to section 15, block II, Township of Hyde, commencing at a point in said dam and terminating on section 15, block II. The length of such race is 138 yards or thereabouts, and its intended course is east by west. The mean depth and breadth of such race is two feet by two feet; to lay down composition piping three inches in diameter, and which will be covered over when completed; and the reservoir is intended to contain 60,000 gallons of water.

Signature and Address (in full) of Applicant

PHILLIP AUGUSTUS CONNOILY, Naseby.

Any person objecting to the issue of a license to the above-named applicant must lodge his objection in writing at my office, at Naseby, within fourteen clear days from the date hereof. And the day fixed for hearing and deciding the application, if unopposed, and notifying objections, if any, is June 14, 1876, at Hyde.

(Signed) H. W. ROBINSON, District Officer. May 15, 1876. 2t. 20s. pd.

LOST, Three COWS at Kensington. Finder will be rewarded on returning them to Thomas Teléy, at Meenan's Corn Store, George-street. 1t.—2s. pd.

OTAGO WASTE LANDS ACT, 1872.

Section 65, Sub-section 1, Tenth Schedule. District of Clyde, 24th April 1876. To the District Land Officer at Clyde.

WE hereby give notice that we intend to construct a Water Race for industrial purposes, commencing at a point in the Steep Burn about one mile from Mabel district, and terminating about 300 yards from said river.

The length of such Water Race is one mile, or thereabouts, and its intended course is westerly.

The mean depth and breadth of such race is one foot in depth and three feet in breadth, and is capable of carrying six sluice heads of water.

THEODORE RUSSELL, Wanaka. JOSEPH BLAIR EWING, Wanaka.

Any person objecting to the issue of a license to the above-named applicants must lodge his objection in writing at my office within fourteen clear days from the date thereof.

Adjourned hearing, if no objections lodged, at Clyde, 22nd June, 1876.

W. LAWRENCE SIMPSON, District Officer.

NOTICE ROAD BETWEEN PELICHETS BAY AND LOGAN'S POINT

ANY PERSON found throwing the Metal of the said Road away, or into Pelichet's Bay, or otherwise injuring the said road, will be prosecuted.

JAMES GREEN, Secretary for Roads and Works, Roads and Works Office, Dunedin, 22nd May, 1876.

OTAGO LAND ACT, 1872, may now be had gratis at the Wardens' Offices at Lawrence, Clyde, Queenstown, Naseby, Switzers, and at the Land Office, Invercargill.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS AND PUPIL-TEACHERS.

THE Half-yearly Examination of Candidates for Certificates or for Provisional Licenses will be held at the Education Office, Dunedin, on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of July next.

The annual examination of pupil-teachers and candidates for employment as such will be held on the 28th, 29th, and 30th of September next, at places to be hereinafter fixed.

Intending candidates must forward their names to me at least three clear days before the examinations.

The attention of pupil-teachers and intending candidates is specially directed to the Board's regulations, which may be had on application.

JOHN HISLOP,
Secretary.

EDUCATIONAL MEETING.

THE Owners and Occupiers of Land, and Householders in the Wild and Gummie's Bush Educational District, are invited to hold a meeting in the Wild Bush School-house on Monday, the 26th June, 1876, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing a School Committee for the remainder of the current year.

By order,
JOHN HISLOP,
Secretary.

WILD AND GUMMIE'S BUSH EDUCATION DISTRICT.

THE following is a description of the Education District of Wild and Gummie's Bush, as approved by the Education Board.

JOHN HISLOP,
Secretary.

Wild and Gummie's Bush Education District comprises all that area which is bounded on the north by the northern boundary of Jacob's River Hundred, and by block XIII., of the said hundred; on the north-east by the north-eastern boundary of block IV. of Jacob's River Hundred, continued to the north-west as far as block XIII. of said hundred, and to the south-east as far as Jacob's River; on the east by Jacob's River; on the south-east by Jacob's River and sections 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, block VI., Jacob's River Hundred; on the south by Jacob's River estuary, the reserve, section No. 18, block I., Jacob's River Hundred, and the southern boundary of said hundred; and on the west by the western boundary of Jacob's River Hundred.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS FOR THE PORTOBELLO ROAD BOARD.

A MEETING of Ratepayers in the respective sub-divisions of the Portobello Road District entitled to vote at the ensuing election will be held on Friday, the 2nd of June, prox., at 12 o'clock, to nominate candidates for election in the place of those retiring from office.

PLACES OF MEETING AS FOLLOW:—

Portobello School-house	{ William Geary } { George Green } { Walter Riddel }	Return- ing Officers
Broadbay School-house		
Sandymount School-house		

In the event of a poll being demanded it will be held in the above places on Thursday, the 8th June, from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

By order of the Board,
GEORGE J. CLARK,
Clerk to the Board.

4t.—25s.

NOTICE.

A MEETING of Ratepayers in the respective Subdivisions of the Waipori Road Board entitled to vote at the ensuing election will be held on Thursday, June 15th, at 12 o'clock, to nominate candidates for election in place of those retiring from office.

Places of meeting as under:—

Waihola West, at Waihola Toll-bar.—Mr. Donald McMaster, Returning Officer.

Clarendon, at the house of Mr. Neil McBride.—Mr. McPherson Returning Officer.

Maungatua, at the School, Maungatua, Mr. R. Petrie, Returning Officer.

By order of the Board.

JAMES SIM,
Clerk.

2t. 16s.

SOUTH MOLYNEUX ROAD DISTRICT.

NOTICE.

M EETINGS of Ratepayers entitled to Vote at the ensuing Election will be held to Nominate Candidates for Election to represent the undermentioned subdivisions for the year ending June, 1877:—

Ahuriri Subdivision, at the Post Office, Ahuriri, on Friday, 2nd June, at noon.—Alfred Jowitt, Returning Officer.

Catlin River Subdivision, at the house of Captain Saunders, Owaki Flat, on Thursday, 1st June, at noon.—Andrew Lees, Returning Officer.

Port Molyneux Subdivision, at the Board's Office, on Friday, 2nd June, at noon.—George Hay, Returning Officer.

Puerua Subdivision, at East Clutha School-house, on Friday, 2nd June, at noon.—Robert Christie, Returning Officer.

Waitapeka Subdivision, at the house of Mr. Hodge, on Friday, 2nd June, at noon.—Andrew Melville, Returning Officer.

In the event of a Poll in any Subdivision being demanded it will be held in the above place in the subdivision concerned on Thursday, 8th June, from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

ALFRED JOWITT	} Returning Officers.
ANDREW LEES	
GEORGE HAY	
ROBERT CHRISTIE	
ANDREW MELVILLE	

By order of the Board,

JAMES SHIELDS,
Clerk.

A MEETING of Ratepayers in the respective Subdivisions of the Grey Road Board entitled to vote at the ensuing election will be held on Thursday, June 22nd, at 12 o'clock noon, to nominate candidates for election in place of those retiring from office. Places of meeting as under:—

Saddle Hill, at Athenæum, Riccarton.—Mr. R. Blair, Returning Officer.

Otaki, School-house, Greytown.—Mr. Jas. Cullen, Returning Officer.

By order of the Board,

WILLIAM A. REILLY,
Clerk.

1t. 7s.

HALF-WAY BUSH DISTRICT ROAD BOARD.

N OTICE is hereby given that all Rates and Arrears of Rates due to the above Board unpaid by the 25th instant will be summarily proceeded for without further notice.

W. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

KURI BUSH ROAD DISTRICT.

A MEETING of Ratepayers in the respective sub-divisions of the Kuri Bush Road Board entitled to vote at the ensuing election will be held on Saturday, June 24, at 12 o'clock, to nominate candidates for election in place of those retiring from office.

Places of meeting as under:—
 Kurimotto Subdivision, School-house.—Mr. Wm. Barry, Returning Officer.
 Motupipi Subdivision, Otakia School-house.—Mr. Henry Palmer, Returning Officer.

In the event of a poll being demanded it will be held in the above places on Wednesday, June 28th, from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

By order of the Board,
PETER LEITCH,
 Clerk.

NOTICE

A MEETING of Ratepayers entitled to vote at the ensuing election will be held at the ur'c-mentioned places on Thursday, the 8th June, at 12 noon, to nominate candidates for election as members for the North Tairāwhiti Road Board, viz:—

Wingatiri Subdivision: In the Drill-shed, Mosgiel.
 North Plain Subdivision: In the School-house, North Tairāwhiti.

In the event of a poll being demanded it will be held in the above places on Thursday, the 15th June, from 10 till 4 p.m.

By order of the Board,
JOHN ANDREW, Returning Officer,
CHARLES WATERS, Officers.

OUTRAM ROAD BOARD.

A MEETING of Ratepayers in the respective sub-divisions will be held on the 8th day of June, at 12 o'clock noon, to fill up the vacancies in each subdivision. Places of meeting will be as follows:—

West Tairāwhiti: Outram Drill-shed.—Peter Grant, Returning Officer.
 Henly: Mr. Renton's house, Riverside.—Mr. A. Fleming, Returning Officer.

THOMAS RICHARDSON,
 Clerk to Board.

TAIRĀWHITI ROAD BOARD.

TENDERS invited for the Formation of 50 Chains of Road (more or less) in the Breadalbane Sub-division.

Tenders to be lodged with the Clerk until noon of 3rd June next.
 Plans and specifications to be seen at the Clerk's office.
 A. Campbell Esq. Breadalbane, will point out the road to tenders on 27th May, 1876.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
A. LEES,
 Clerk.

Mosgiel, 30th May, 1876.

TENDER FOR TOLL.

TENDERS will be received at the office of the Secretary for Lands and Works, Dunedin, until noon of Thursday, 7th June, 1876, for the erection of toll-house and gate at the junction of the Port Chalmers and Blueskin Roads.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Inspector of Buildings, Dunedin, on and after the 8th inst.

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

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GREY ROAD BOARD.

TENDERS Wanted for the Formation of Road from the Main South Road to Railway Station, Greytown.

Plans and specifications to be seen at the School-house, Greytown.

Messrs. Allan and Cullen will meet intending contractors at the Railway Station on Saturday, 24th June, at one o'clock p.m., to point out the work.

Tenders to be sent to the Chairman of the Board on or before Friday, 30th June.

WILLIAM A. KELLY,
 Clerk.

50,000 FOREST TREES.

THE following Trees will be disposed of for Cash by the Curator at the Botanical Gardens, Dunedin:—

VARIETIES.	No.
Pinus Insignis	7,726
" Ponderosa	1,995
" Pungens	1,010
" Jeffreyana	76
" Halepensis	766
" Sabuiana	1,000
" Maritima	4,294
" Tuberculata	380
" Smithiana	91
" Muricata	2,110
" Rigidula	233
" Rubra	95
" Coulteri	62
" Benthamiana	150
Abies Douglasii	350
Cupressus Macrocarpa	543
" Pendula Vera	1,176
" Goveniana	40
" Lawsoniana	226
Thuja Compacta	3,709
" Aurea Variegata	662
Cedrus Atlantica	36
" Libanus	142
Biota Aurica	956
" Sinensis	270
" Orientalis	75
Sequoia Gigantea	65
English Ash	3,376
English Oak	7,334
English Sycamore	1,495

The Curator will not be bound to supply all that may be asked by any person.

IMPOUNDED on the 4th day of June, 1876, by Henry Youngman:

One dark red Cow, white along back, no visible brand.

Also, on the 5th, one bay Horse, white down face, branded like S near shoulder.

Owners unknown, for trespassing on Down Belt (cow) and (horse) South Recreation ground, and in default of being released the above cattle will be sold at the Public Pound at South Dunedin, on Friday, the 3rd day of June, 1876, at 12 o'clock noon.

JAMES BARR,
 Poundkeeper.

WILLIAM MELLER, ex-off. Invercargill, from Glasgow, a Registered Letter has been received for you at the Immigration Depot, Gairmuir.

ALFRED HESKETH,
 Immigration Officer,

Oamaru.

SUPREME COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Supreme Court for the despatch of Criminal and Civil Business will be holden at the Supreme Court-house, at Dunedin, on Monday, the third day of July next, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time and place all persons bound by recognizances to appear as prosecutors, plaintiffs, defendants, or witnesses are required to give their attendance.

EDWARD E. WARD,

Registrar.

Supreme Court Office, Dunedin,
1st June, 1876.

STATEMENT of the RECEIPTS and DISBURSEMENTS of the West Taieri Cemetery Fund for the year ending 31st December, 1875.

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand, 1st January, 1875	34	12	6
Allotments sold during the year	18	5	0
Interment Fees received during the year	4	10	0
Rent of Cemetery Reserve, Outram	5	10	0
	£62	17	6

DISBURSEMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
James Dow, for planting trees, &c.	4	18	0
Donald Borrie, for trees, &c.	3	0	0
James Dow, for cleaning trees	4	14	6
Interment Fees to Gravedigger	3	15	0
Balance in hand, December 31st, 1875	46	9	0
	£62	17	6

Examined and found correct,

DAVID BORRIE.
ALEXANDER CHISHOLM.
DONALD BORRIE.

Signed in my presence by the above-named David Borrie, Alexander Chisholm, and Donald Borrie, at Outram, this 22nd day of May, 1876.

JAMES FULTON, R.M.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned as Millers and Produce Merchants, carrying on business in Dunedin and Oamaru under the style or firm of Anderson and Mowat, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, and that the business will be carried on as hitherto by James Anderson, under the style or firm of Anderson and Co.

Andrew Mowat will pay all liabilities due by, and receive all debts due to, the late firm in Oamaru, James Anderson paying all liabilities due by, and receive all debts due to, the late firm in Dunedin.

JAMES ANDERSON,
ANDREW MOWAT.

Dated March 1st, 1876. t.c.

SYNOPSIS OF OTAGO ORDINANCES.

JUST PUBLISHED.—Supplementary Schedule and Synopsis of Otago Ordinances, Sessions XXIX., 1871, to XXXIV., 1875. Price, Two shillings. N.B.—The above bound up with the Schedule and Synopsis of the Ordinances of Session I., 1853, to XXVIII., 1870, may be obtained. Price, Four Shillings.

JOHN L. LOGAN,

Provincial Government Storekeeper.

4th April, 1876.

NORMAL SCHOOL.

AN Assistant Master is wanted for the Normal Institution. Salary, £220 per annum. Applications, with testimonials, to be lodged on or before the 26th June, 1876.

JOHN HISLOP,
Secretary.

OAMARU NORTH SCHOOL.

WANTED, a Second Master, at a Salary of £150 per annum; also, a School Mistress at a salary of £125 per annum. Applicants must be prepared to enter on their duties on the 1st July next. Applications with testimonials will be received by the undersigned on or before the 16th June next.

T. CHURCH,
Secretary to School Committee.

WANTED for the District School of Alexandra duly qualified Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress. Salary: Master £200, Mistress £100 per annum, with comfortable residence. A mistress competent to give instruction in music preferred. Applications to be forwarded to the Secretary Education Board, Dunedin, on or before the 19th June.

JAMES RIVERS,
Clerk School Committee, Alexandra.

TEACHER WANTED for Akatore School, Tokomairiro. Salary: Government allowance, and school fees, with dwelling-house and ten acres enclosed. Duties to commence immediately after appointment.

Applications, with testimonials, to be addressed to the Secretary on or before June 28th, 1876.

JOHN McINTOSH,
Secretary.

Akatore, Tokomairiro.

WANTED, a Duly Qualified MISTRESS for the Port Chalmers Grammar School. Salary £120 per annum.—Applications, with testimonials, to be lodged with the clerk on or before June 15th.

JOHN MACFARLANE, Clerk.

SCHOOLMISTRESS WANTED for the Forbury Main District School, South Dunedin. Salary £105 per annum.

Applications, with testimonials, to be lodged with the undersigned on or before the 20th instant. Applicants to state how soon they could enter on duty.

GEORGE REID,
Secretary Forbury School Committee.

TEACHER wanted for Hamilton School. Salary £125 per annum and school fees, with good residence and ten acres of glebe.

Full particulars may be had at the Education Office, where applications will be received up till 24th June, 1876.

WANTED, a TEACHER, Male or Female, for the School at Cadrona. Salary Government allowance, with guaranteed sum of £50 added. There is also a comfortable residence.—Applications, with testimonials, to be lodged with the undersigned before the 10th of June.

R. McDOUGALL, Cadrona.

EINQUIRIES are made at this Office for Elizabeth Hesketh, who left London for Otago in ship 'Chile' in July, 1867. Any person who can give information regarding her will please to communicate with me.

COLIN ALLAN,
Immigration Officer.

£50 REWARD.

INCENDIARISM.

MALICIOUSLY SETTING FIRE TO TWO STACKS OF OATS.

WHEREAS about 9.30 o'clock on the morning of the 9th instant Two Stacks of Oats, situate at Shag Valley, near Palmerston, the property of John Jordan, were discovered on fire, by which they were destroyed: And whereas at an inquest held at Jordan's Junction Hotel, Shag Valley, on the 19th instant, by J. W. Murdoch, Esquire, R.M. and Coroner, to inquire as to the origin of the said fire, the Jury returned the following verdict: "That the stacks were wilfully set on fire by some person or persons to the Jurors unknown." Notice is hereby given that a reward of £50 will be paid by the Provincial Government of Otago to any person who will first give such information to the Police as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons by whom the said fire was caused, and in addition thereto His Excellency the Governor will be advised to grant a Free Pardon to an accomplice, not being the person who actually caused the fire, who shall give such information as will lead to a like result.

T. K. WELDON,

Commissioner of Police.

Police Office, Dunedin,
26th April, 1876.

FIFTY POUNDS REWARD.

INCENDIARISM.

MALICIOUSLY SETTING FIRE TO THREE STACKS OF OATS.

WHEREAS about a quarter-past ten o'clock on the night of the 15th instant three stacks of oats, the property of Thomas Henderson, situate at Trotter's Creek, in the Hampden Police Division, and opposite the Kartigri Hotel, were maliciously destroyed by fire:

And whereas suspicion is attached to two swagmen, who, dissatisfied with the treatment they received at the said hotel, left shortly before the said fire was discovered:

Notice is hereby given that a reward of £50 will be paid by the Provincial Government of Otago to any person who will first give such information to the police as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons by whom the said fire was caused, and in addition thereto His Excellency the Governor will be advised to grant a free pardon to an accomplice, not being the person who actually caused the fire, who will give such information as shall lead to a like result.

T. K. WELDON,

Commissioner of Police.

Police Office, Dunedin,
23rd May, 1876.

Price 2s. 6d., with Supplement.

THE Otago Roads Ordinances, 1871, 1872, 1874, and 1875, with notes indicating the several sections amended or repealed and a supplement.

The usual discount to the trade.
N.B. The supplement may be obtained gratis by any person who has purchased the Ordinances.

JOHN LOGAN,

Provincial Government Storekeeper.

INCENDIARISM.

MALICIOUSLY SETTING FIRE TO CORN AND CORN STACKS IN THE WAIKOUAITI DISTRICT.

£100 REWARD AND A FREE PARDON TO AN ACCOMPLICE.

WHEREAS the following property has been destroyed by fire in the Police District of Waikouaiti, viz.:

1. Two stacks of oats, value £59.8s., at Shag Valley, belonging to John Jordan, on the 9th ultimo.
2. One barn, containing 600 bushels of oats, 17 bushels of wheat, and sundry articles, value £160, between Mount Watkins and Flag Swamp, belonging to John Galbraith, on the 6th instant.
3. 163 bags of wheat, value £100, at Flag Swamp, belonging to Donald Sutherland, on the 7th instant.
4. Two stacks of wheat, value £200, at Pleasant Valley, belonging to J. W. Murdoch, on the 7th instant.
5. One stack of straw and 125 bags of oats, value £75, at Bushy Park, belonging to A. and W. Cochrane, on the 12th instant.
6. Five stacks of wheat and one stack of oats, value £340, at the Maori Kaik, belonging to Maori, on the 14th instant; and as the destruction of said property is attributable to incendiaries.

Notice is hereby given that a reward of £100 will be paid by the Provincial Government of Otago to any person who shall first give such information to the police as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons by whom any of the said fires were caused, and in addition thereto His Excellency the Governor will be advised to grant a free pardon to an accomplice not being the person who actually caused any of the fires who will give such information as shall lead to a like result.

T. K. WELDON,

Commissioner of Police.

Police Office, Dunedin,
15th May, 1876.

£50 REWARD.

INCENDIARISM.

MALICIOUSLY SETTING FIRE TO THREE STACKS OF OATS.

WHEREAS about 3.15 o'clock on the morning of the 17th instant Three Stacks of Oats, situate at North East Harbour, Peninsula District, the property of James and William Christie, value £300, were discovered on fire, by which they were destroyed: And whereas it is believed that the said fire was wilfully caused: Notice is hereby given that a reward of £50 will be paid to any person who shall first give such information to the Police as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons by whom the said fire was caused: And in addition thereto His Excellency the Governor will be advised to grant a Free Pardon to an accomplice, not being the person who actually caused the fire, who will give such information as shall lead to a like result.

T. K. WELDON,

Commissioner of Police.

Police Office, Dunedin,
27th April, 1876.

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