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HENRY BUNNY,
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

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Speech of His Honor the Superintendent on opening the Twenty-fifth Session of the Wellington Provincial Council.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL,—

In obedience to your wishes, as expressed by resolution, I introduced, during the last session of the Colonial Legislature, a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the raising of a Loan of two hundred and ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of constructing certain Works of public utility in the Province of Wellington, and for charging the sum so borrowed against the said Province."

No time was lost in the introduction of the Bill; no opportunity was omitted of advancing it through its different stages; and no efforts were spared in the endeavour to make it become law. In these exertions to carry out your wishes I received the able and cordial support of the great majority of the members representing constituencies in this Province.

Notwithstanding, the passage of the Bill was obstructed by repeated postponements and vexatious delays, and the Bill itself ultimately rejected.

I do not propose now to invite you to inquire into the question of who was to blame for this failure and disappointment. I refrain from doing so, because the inquiry could lead to no immediate practical result.

Under the circumstances to which I have referred, it became the duty of the Provincial Executive to consider seriously the position in which the province was thus placed. Two courses were open to us—either to bow down to the opposition manifested to your wishes, and quietly acquiesce in the arrest of that progress on which the Province had entered, or to address ourselves to the task of making the best of adverse circumstances.

We decided on the adoption of the latter course, and lost no time in introducing a bill intituled "The Wellington Harbour Reserves Mortgage Release Act 1873."

The object of this bill was to revive a Provincial Act which enabled the Superintendent to hypothecate a certain portion of unreclaimed land in the harbour of Wellington, and proceed with its reclamation. The condition of the powers conferred by the revival of this Act which was imposed in the bill we introduced, consisted in the payment of £25,000 to the Colonial Government.

This Bill received the ready assent of the Colonial Legislature, and showed clearly that neither branch of the Colonial Legislature was really hostile to the interests of this Province. Thus ended the Session of the Colonial Legislature so far as the legislation exclusively affected the Province of Wellington.

Immediately after the close of the Session, the Provincial Executive took counsel together, and decided to make application for a loan of £100,000 on the security of the unreclaimed land which had been conditionally released as I have described; out of which amount it was proposed to pay £25,000 to the Colonial Government, and devote £75,000

to purposes of reclamation, including a scheme for an extension of the railway from Pipitea to the reclaimed land in the centre of the town.

I am happy to be able to state that it was unnecessary to make application elsewhere than to a local company, which has thus the credit of furnishing the funds for this loan. I refer to the Wellington Trust, Loan, and Investment Company.

It is further satisfactory to be able to state that £25,000 has been already paid to the General Government, although two years ago it was boldly asserted in the House of Representatives that the Province would never repay this sum to the Colony, and that the security affixed was visionary. Whereas it now appears not only that the amount of mortgage has been paid off (£25,000), but that £75,000 additional has been borrowed on the same security, with every prospect of yielding to the Province a profit of £50,000, after paying off the £100,000 so borrowed.

Papers explanatory of the negotiation with the General Government for railway extension and a central station will be laid before you, and will, I believe, meet with your approval.

But the Provincial Government would have only partially performed its duty to the Province if it had merely endeavored to provide the means for carrying out that portion of your scheme of public works which embraced the town of Wellington. It therefore had to devise some plan by which the other works which you proposed in the country might be commenced. It was accordingly decided to apply to the Bank of New Zealand for an overdraft of £50,000. It is most gratifying that I am able to report to you the ready acquiescence which the Inspector accorded to this proposal. The success of the application affords the most practical proof of the high credit which a prudent conduct of your financial affairs has established for this Province. The correspondence relative to this negotiation will be placed before you, and I venture to suggest that the occasion would be opportune for you to express by resolution your appreciation of the ready manner in which this overdraft has been granted by your bankers, and declaratory of your determination to make from time to time the necessary provision for the payment of interest and principal.

Ways and means having been thus provided, it might have been competent for the Provincial Government to have expended the means at disposal, without further reference to you, on the objects which you had already sanctioned by resolution. It was, however, deemed more respectful to you to convene you and submit the whole circumstances for your further consideration and sanction.

A carefully-prepared measure will accordingly be submitted to you without delay, intitled "An Act to authorize the construction of certain Bridges, Roads, and other works in the Province of Wellington."

In this Bill you are asked to appropriate the sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds, although only fifty thousand pounds has been as yet provided. I trust, however, that no doubts will arise in your minds as to trusting the Provincial Executive with the selection of works to be now undertaken. If you had at present the whole £175,000 at your disposal, it would not be prudent immediately to contract for works involving so large an expenditure, having due regard to the supply of labour; and I can assure you that if you will consent to regard the £50,000 now placed at disposal simply as an instalment of the £175,000, hereafter to be provided, you may depend that the utmost endeavours of the Provincial Government will be exerted to obtain the remainder, as wanted, and that the Provincial Executive promise you that the whole of the works named in the Schedule of the Bill shall, in due course, be executed in a spirit of impartiality towards all parts of the Province. I may mention that the Provincial Government has already selected six additional Surveyors, and four Engineers, out of the numerous applications made for employment in answer to advertisements; so that preparations are already made to enable works to be carried on vigorously so soon as your sanction is given.

I regret the necessity for having called you together at so inconvenient a season of the year; and can only say that that inconvenience will be rendered as light as possible by the Government having decided not to bring before you any business except the special one to which I have already invited your attention.

I now declare the Session to be opened for the despatch of business.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,
Superintendent.

Speech of His Honor the Superintendent on proroguing the Twenty-fifth Session of the Wellington Provincial Council.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL,—

I regret to learn that the Council has rejected the "Bridges, Roads, and other Works Appropriation Bill, 1873."

Whether the importance of this measure to the Province be considered, or its summary dismissal in a thin Council, notwithstanding the reasonable concession proposed by the members of the Executive having seats in the Council, there can be no doubt that a grave responsibility has been incurred.

I regret also, that as an immediate consequence, the Provincial Secretary has tendered to me his resignation.

Whilst on the one hand I recognise the absolute right of the Council to modify or reject any measure which may be brought before it; I also, on the other hand, have my responsibility to the people of the Province: and with a due sense of that responsibility before me, I have intimated to the Provincial Secretary that I do not, under the circumstances, consider myself justified in accepting his resignation.

As the Council has rejected the only measure which it was specially convened to consider, it has in fact disposed of the business of the session, and I accordingly declare the Council to be prorogued.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,
Superintendent.

Election of Commissioners for "Marton Local Board District."

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 3rd November, 1873.

NOTICE has been received at this office under the hand of the Chairman of the "Marton Local Board" that

MR. SAMUEL POWELL

has been elected a Commissioner of the "Marton Local Board" in the place of Mr. S. Coleman, resigned.

HENRY BUNNY,
Provincial Secretary.

Crown Grants.

Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 24th October, 1873.

THE undermentioned Deeds of Grant having been duly executed, are now ready for delivery at this Office, under the authority of the "Crown Grants Act, 1866."

A fee of sixpence is chargeable on each Crown Grant for every month during which it shall remain in this office after the expiration of three months from the date of this notice.

In cases where it is impossible for the party entitled to receive the Grant to attend in person, it will be delivered to the bearer of an authority, according to the subjoined form certified by a Magistrate, or by a Solicitor of the Supreme Court.

FORM OF AUTHORITY REFERRED TO.

To the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

I hereby authorise A. B. of
to receive the Deed of Grant in my favor for

(Signature.)

Witness—

(Signature of a Magistrate or of a Solicitor of the Supreme Court.)

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.

No. of Grant.	Grantee.	Locality.	Contents.		
			A.	R.	P.
3776	John Davis	Alfredton...	56	1	0
3777	Abraham Harris	Wharekaka ...	117	0	0
3778	Joseph Allison	Wanganui ...	0	2	0
3779	" "	" ...	0	2	0
3780	William Moxham	Taratahi...	63	0	0
3781	William Morris and another...	" ...	52	3	0

JOS. G. HOLDSWORTH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

ABSTRACT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the Province of Wellington for the Quarter commencing on the First day of July, and ending on the Thirtieth day of September, 1873.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.					
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
ORDINARY INCOME—									
Licenses, Auctioneers' ...	120	0	0						
„ Publicans' ...	263	2	6						
Pilotage, Wellington ...	660	8	0						
„ Wanganui ...	47	7	2						
„ Manawatu ...	4	12	4						
Sheep Assessment ...	420	12	3						
Toll Bars ...	1485	9	10						
				3,001	12	1			
INCIDENTAL RECEIPTS—									
Fees—Registering Dogs									
Wellington ...	1	5	0						
Fees—Registering Dogs									
Wanganui ...	3	0	0						
Fees—Registering Cattle and Horse Brands	1	10	0						
Fine under Scab Act ...	5	1	0						
Rent—Island of Mana	26	0	0						
Rent of Offices ...	141	13	4						
Rent, Queen's Warehouse ...	56	5	3						
Rent of Cottage on Gaol Acre ...	6	10	0						
Hospital and Asylum Subsistence Money	100	10	10						
Maintenance of Debtors at Gaol ...	14	8	0						
Maintenance of Military and Naval Prisoners	457	17	2						
Maintenance of Rebel Maoris ...	185	14	9						
Immigrant's Outfit ...	2	16	0						
For Picking Oakum ...	4	0	0						
Royalty on Timber ...	20	16	0						
Consideration Money—Society Odd Fellows, Wanganui ...	5	0	0						
By Sale of Site of Odd Fellows' Hall, Wellington ...	1000	0	0						
Sale of Land Regulations ...	1	14	0						
Sale of Lithographed Maps ...	4	14	0						
Sale of Provincial Acts	1	10	0						
Interest on Balance at Bank New Zealand ...	170	0	0						
Capitation and Special Allowance ...	297	16	11						
				2508	2	3			
TERRITORIAL INCOME—									
Land Sales ...				8,548	18	3			
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT—									
Deposit on Contract ...	10	0	0						
Subscriptions in aid of Lunatic Asylum Recreation Fund ...	26	18	6						
At Interest ...	200	0	0						
				236	18	6			
REFUNDS—									
Survey Department, on account of Native Land Purchase from General Government	700	15	2						
Telegrams, do., do., ...	13	12	6						
Police Department ...	6	15	0						
Land do. ...	33	6	8						
				754	9	4			
SPECIAL ACCOUNT OF DISEASED SHEEP ACT, 1872—									
Fines under Scab Act, and Fees for Registering Sheep Brands ...				12	5	0			
Carried forward ...	£15,172	5	5						
EXPENDITURE.									
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
1. EXECUTIVE...									
Wellington ...	675	0	0						
2. LEGISLATIVE ...									
Wellington ...	263	11	8						
3. JUDICIAL AND POLICE—									
Gaol Department,									
Wellington ...	534	17	5						
Gaol Department,									
Wanganui ...	127	11	7						
Police Department ...	1151	9	6						
				1,813	18	6			
4. CHARITABLE—									
Wellington Hospital...									
Wellington Hospital ...	440	14	7						
Wanganui Hospital,									
Grant in Aid ...	75	0	0						
Lunatic Asylum ...	623	10	7						
Charitable Aid ...	118	19	4						
				1,258	4	6			
5. Education ...									
				1,781	15	8			
6. HARBOURS—									
Wellington Harbour...									
Wellington Harbour ...	346	4	9						
Wanganui Harbour ...									
Wanganui Harbour ...	174	6	3						
Manawatu Harbour ...									
Manawatu Harbour ...	62	13	9						
Light House ...									
Light House ...	96	6	5						
Signal Stations ...									
Signal Stations ...	63	7	1						
				742	18	3			
7. SPECIAL—									
Sheep Inspection ...									
Sheep Inspection ...	360	16	7						
Weights and Measures ...									
Weights and Measures ...	42	11	3						
Toll Gates ...									
Toll Gates ...	150	13	6						
				554	1	4			
8. MISCELLANEOUS—									
Messengers ...									
Messengers ...	92	14	0						
Fuel and Lighting ...									
Fuel and Lighting ...	44	13	7						
Printing & Advertising ...									
Printing & Advertising ...	78	16	9						
Stationery ...									
Stationery ...	40	15	0						
Wallace Annuity ...									
Wallace Annuity ...	37	10	0						
Miscellaneous Contingencies ...									
Miscellaneous Contingencies ...	307	18	6						
Telegrams ...									
Telegrams ...	32	15	2						
Electoral ...									
Electoral ...	32	5	0						
Mrs. Lyall ...									
Mrs. Lyall ...	2	10	0						
				669	18	0			
9. PUBLIC WORKS AND UNDERTAKINGS—									
Native Land Purchases									
Native Land Purchases	182	0	1						
Land Department ...									
Land Department ...	117	13	0						
Survey do. ...									
Survey do. ...	1494	11	5						
Engineers do. ...									
Engineers do. ...	639	13	4						
				2,433	17	10			
SUNDRY UNDERTAKINGS—									
Insurance ...									
Insurance ...	29	10	0						
Ferries... ...									
Ferries... ...	102	6	0						
Provincial Government									
Buildings ...									
Buildings ...	13	7	10						
Furniture ...									
Furniture ...	3	15	10						
Erection of Toll Bars... ...									
Erection of Toll Bars... ...	240	16	9						
Lunatic Asylum ...									
Lunatic Asylum ...	1144	4	8						
Lock-ups ...									
Lock-ups ...	153	0	0						
Acclimatisation Society,									
Wanganui ...									
Wanganui ...	130	0	0						
Repairs Wellington Gaol									
Repairs Wellington Gaol	2	16	6						
Whale Boat, Wellington Pilot ...									
Whale Boat, Wellington Pilot ...	33	0	0						
Rates on Crown Lands									
Rates on Crown Lands	149	9	8						
Grant in Aid Wanganui Wharf ...									
Grant in Aid Wanganui Wharf ...	600	0	0						
Erecting Sheep Dips... ...									
Erecting Sheep Dips... ...	75	0	0						
				2,677	7	3			
ROADS—									
Repairs of Roads ...									
Repairs of Roads ...	2690	1	11						
Bulls to Palmerston ...									
Bulls to Palmerston ...	870	16	10						
Pahautanui to Belmont									
Pahautanui to Belmont	25	0	0						
Waipoua towards Forty Mile Bush ...									
Waipoua towards Forty Mile Bush ...	94	10	6						
Masterton to Castle Point... ...									
Masterton to Castle Point... ...	235	11	0						
Carried forward ...	£12,829	13	0						

Sheep Inspector's Report.

WELLINGTON AND WEST COAST DISTRICT.

RETURN of SHEEP, all over six months old, for the year ending 31st January, 1873, and amount of Assessment, at the rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per head per sheep, due in the month of August.

Flockowner.	Residence.	Condition of Flock.	Number of Sheep.	Assessment			Remarks.
				£	s.	d.	
Allen, George	Waiwetu	Clean	107	0	4	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Abbott, Henry	Horokiwi	"	26	0	1	1	
Abbott, Henry, jun.	Pahautanui	"	25	0	1	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Arthur, J. H.	Porirua	"	403	0	16	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Barrows, S.	Horokiwi	"	400	0	16	8	
Bartlett, Joseph	Tawa Flat	"	340	0	14	2	
Brown, David	Kapiti	"	2000	4	3	4	
Brown, W. R. E.	Rockmount	"	150	0	6	3	
Brown, William	Okiwi	"	300	0	12	6	
Blackey, William	Horokiwi	"	240	0	10	0	
Bould, Robert	Johnsonville	"	483	1	0	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Buck, George	Taita	"	225	0	9	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Braithwaite, A.	Waiwetu	"	390	0	16	3	
Bird, Mrs.	Town Belt	"	36	0	1	6	
Bradey, Francis	Porirua	"	150	0	6	3	
Brown, Jas.	Upper Hutt	"	300	0	12	6	
Bradey, Frederick	Porirua	"	600	1	5	0	
Bryant, Jas., & Sons	Ohariu	"	310	0	12	11	
Bevan, Thomas	Waikawa	"	1160	2	8	4	
Broderick, C.	Ohariu	"	225	0	9	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Boulton, Edward	Pahautanui	"	90	0	3	9	
Bromley, J. H.	Porirua	"	68	0	2	10	
Buick, David	Petoni	"	104	0	4	4	
Buick, James	Belmont	"	115	0	4	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Barton, Mrs.	Upper Hutt	"	120	0	5	0	
Benson, William	Takapu	"	24	0	1	0	Porirua
Byatt, Mrs. Mary	Tawa Flat	"	97	0	4	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Buick W. B.	Petoni	"	243	0	10	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Bryant, J. W. & Bros.	Kamori	"	331	0	13	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ohariu
Bragg, Henry	Bidwell street	"	15	0	0	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Best, George	Ohariu	"	180	0	7	6	
Butler, R. & Co.	Upper Hutt	"	75	0	3	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Broderick, Thomas	Porirua Road	"	25	0	1	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Bright, Frederick	Pukurua	"	100	0	4	2	
Bruce, Peter	Upper Hutt	"	200	0	8	4	
Barnes, Messrs.	Ohariu	"	12	0	0	6	
Bassett, W. H.	Harbour District	"	35	0	1	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Horokiwi
Budden & Craig	Berhampore	"	60	0	2	6	Late Luxford
Bassett, T. & F.	Harbour District	"	52	0	2	2	Horokiwi
Cameron, John	Pencarrow	"	1450	3	0	5	
Cook, John	Ohariu	"	838	1	14	11	
Cooper, Thomas	Horokiwi	"	200	0	8	4	
Cotter, Thomas	Silver Stream	"	132	0	5	6	
Cruikshank, James	Upper Hutt	"	200	0	8	4	
Campbell, John	Karori	"	118	0	4	11	
Crowther, F. K.	Wainuiomata	"	280	0	11	8	
Carter, Edward	Pahautanui	"	450	0	18	9	
Crawford, J. C.	Watt's Peninsula	"	3800	7	18	4	
Chapman, John	Petoni	"	150	0	6	3	
Cook, Bros.	Ohariu	"	1008	2	2	0	
Caverhill, T. W.	Hutt	"	110	0	4	7	
Crowther, John	Wainuiomata	"	50	0	2	1	
Champion, George	Pahautanui	"	16	0	0	8	

SHEEP INSPECTOR'S REPORT—*continued.*

Flockowner.	Residence.	Condition of Flock.	Number of Sheep.	Assessment			Remarks.
				£	s.	d.	
Collis, Charles	Wainuiomata	Clean	90	0	3	9	
Copeland, William	Hutt	"	38	0	1	7	
Death, Joseph	Otaki	"	520	1	1	8	
Duncan, Charles	Porirua Road	"	100	0	4	2	
Dick, David	Wainuiomata	"	550	1	2	11	
Drake, T. J.	Porirua Road	"	525	1	1	10½	
Death, Robert	Pahautanui	"	205	0	8	6½	
Davidson, Mary	Waiwetū	Sheep sold
Devine & Saul	Wainuiomata	"	700	1	9	2	
Death, Samuel	Waiwetū	"	380	0	15	10	
Death, Charles	Lower Hutt	"	50	0	2	1	
Ellerm, H. & W.	Belmont	"	300	0	12	6	
Earp, William	Porirua Road	"	500	1	0	10	
Edwards, William	Halfway House	"	120	0	5	0	Porirua Road
Eagle, W. & J.	Karori	"	35	0	1	5½	
Fisher, Cornelius	Porirua	"	360	0	15	0	
Freethy, Thomas	Lower Hutt	"	34	0	1	5	Waiwetū
Futter, James	Ngahauranga	"	60	0	2	6	
Flighty, Stephen	Pahautanui	"	65	0	2	8½	
Fraser, J. D.	Makara	"	45	0	1	10½	
France & Magendi	Ohariu	"	60	0	2	6	
Floyd, James	Porirua	"	92	0	3	10	
Fitzherbert, William	Belmont	"	130	0	5	5	
Grace, John	Wainuiomata	"	3100	6	9	2	
Grace, Thomas	Wainuiomata	"	587	1	4	5½	
Gray, James	Pahautanui	"	214	0	8	11	
Gaskin, C. & F.	Makara	"	250	0	10	5	
Galloway, D.	Pahautanui	"	118	0	4	11	
Goodin, John	Horokiwi	"	45	0	1	10½	
Harris, James	Nai Nai	"	400	0	16	8	
Howe, John	Howe's Farm	"	140	0	5	10	
Hunter, George	Kairoa	"	4621	9	12	6½	and Happy Valley
Hayward, Thomas	Western Hutt	"	40	0	1	8	
Hughey, David	Taita	"	350	0	14	7	
Hadfield, Octavius	Wai Tawa Lake	"	2000	4	3	4	Otaki
Hewson, Dr.	Otaki	"	98	0	4	1	
Hawkins, George	Ohariu	"	80	0	3	4	
Hart, Henry	Belmont	"	127	0	5	3½	
Hall, J.	Grass Lees	"	250	0	10	5	Porirua Road
Hawkings, Thomas	Ngahauranga	"	250	0	10	5	
Hughes, Mrs. E. A.	Ohariu	"	20	0	0	10	
Johnston, John	Karori	"	63	0	2	7½	
Judd, Stephen	Western Hutt	"	120	0	5	0	
Judd, James	Western Hutt	"	135	0	5	7½	
Jones, William	Pahautanui	"	31	0	1	3½	
Knight, Joseph	Waiwetū	"	200	0	8	4	
King, Edward	Porirua	"	320	0	13	4	
Leverson, John	Taita	"	850	1	15	5	
Ludlam, Alfred	Hutt	"	803	1	13	5½	
Lowndes, Lewis	Porirua Bay	"	106	0	4	5	
Logan, H. F.	Papanui	"	456	0	19	0	
London, Mrs.	Pahautanui	"	140	0	5	10	
Lynch, Henry	Emerald Glen	"	351	0	14	7½	Paikakariki
Lowes, William	Willow Bank	"	54	0	2	3	Old Porirua Road
M'Manaman, Mrs.	Terawiti	"	2585	5	7	8½	
M'Donald, Hugh	Horowhenua	"	2000	4	3	4	
M'Donald, Hugh	Otaki	"	160	0	6	8	
M'Manaway, T. D.	Makara	"	800	1	13	4	
Morgan, G. & T.	Takapu	"	250	0	10	5	Porirua
Mackay, Alexander	West Coast	"	440	0	18	4	
Mason, Thomas	Taita	"	30	0	1	3	
Monaghan, P.	Makara	"	230	0	9	7	

SHEEP INSPECTOR'S REPORT—*continued.*

Flockowner.	Residence.	Condition of Flock.	Number of Sheep.	Assessment	Remarks.
				£ s. d.	
Mitchell, Henry	Polhill's Gully	Clean	230	0 9 7	
Millen, William	Horokiwi	"	300	0 12 6	
Mitchell, James	Burnside	"	94	0 3 11	Porirua
Mitchell, Mrs. Janet	Horokiwi	"	8	0 0 4	
Mabey, T. & J.	Upper Hutt	"	400	0 16 8	
M'Grath, John	Porirua	"	420	0 17 6	
M'Donald, J. D. G.	Newton	"	25	0 1 0½	Porirua Road
Mills, Thomas	Belmont	"	144	0 6 0	
Mulhern, Rodk.	Pahautanui	"	36	0 1 6	
Mowlem & Sinclair	Wainuiomata	"	600	1 5 0	
Marchant, George	Takapu	"	30	0 1 3	Porirua
M'Gregor, and others	Manawatu	"	300	0 12 6	
Nichol, John	Waikanae	"	300	0 12 6	
Nott, William	Porirua Road	"	340	0 14 2	
Nairn, James	Belmont	"	19	0 0 9½	
Philps & Cocking	Gollan's Valley	"	350	0 14 7	
Prouse, William	Wainuiomata	"	1000	2 1 8	
Pringle, Alexander	Lower Hutt	"	102	0 4 3	
Philps, Jacob	Gollan's Valley	"	70	0 2 11	
Prouse, Richard	Wainuiomata	"	540	1 2 6	
Pryke, Charles	Pahautanui	"	13	0 0 6½	
Pearce, James	Pahautanui	"	12	0 0 6	
Price, Robert	Belmont	"	60	0 2 6	Western Hutt
Petherick, E. W.	Johnsonville	"	70	0 2 11	
Richards, Daniel	Kai Awa	"	935	1 18 11½	Porirua
Rhodes, W. B.	Highland Park	"	294	0 12 3	
Riddiford, D.	Orongo Orongo	"	160	0 6 8	
Riddiford, D.	Wainuiomata	"	1377	2 17 4½	
Robinson, John	Upper Hutt	"	290	0 12 1	
Reeves, Benjamin	Johnsonville	"	467	0 19 5½	
Russell, E. & J.	Stokes' Valley	"	80	0 3 4	
Roberts, Thomas	Johnsonville	"	43	0 1 9½	
Robinson, Thomas	Makara	"	170	0 7 1	
Reading, J. B.	Karori	"	110	0 4 7	
Ransfield, Thomas	Otaki	"	72	0 3 0	
Ransfield, James	Otaki	"	130	0 5 5	
Bainie, R. & G.	Tinakori	"	72	0 3 0	
Ransfield, Robert	Wai Kawa	"	140	0 5 10	
Sellars, James	Petoni	"	105	0 4 4½	
Smith, J. & S.	West Coast	"	1280	2 13 4	
Smith, Frank	Paikakariki	"	1600	3 6 8	
Speedy, Peter	Hutt	"	250	0 10 5	
Sutherland, Alexander	Lyall's Bay	"	880	1 16 8	
Sykes, George	Stokes' Valley	"	50	0 2 1	
Sim, James	Johnsonville	"	380	0 15 10	
Stilling, Henry	Lower Hutt	"	73	0 3 0½	
Smith, Thomas	Horokiwi	"	300	0 12 6	
Smith, David	Silver Stream	"	136	0 5 8	
Squires, J. G.	Johnsonville	"	100	0 4 2	
Saunders, W. H.	Ohariu	"	50	0 2 1	
Stace, Thomas H.	Pahautanui	"	72	0 3 0	
Smith, Charles	Pahautanui	"	40	0 1 8	
Seagar, Charles	Upper Hutt	"	50	0 2 1	
Scrimshaw, George	Belmont	"	82	0 3 5	
Smith, Thomas	Ohariu	"	200	0 8 4	
Stuart, A. P.	Manawatu	"	1700	3 10 10	
Speedy, David	Hutt	"	50	0 2 1	
Stratton, George	Belmont	"	13	0 0 6½	
Taylor, Henry	Johnsonville	"	60	0 2 6	
Telford, John	West Coast	"	700	1 9 2	
Taylor, Henry	Porirua Ferry	"	8	0 0 4	
Wall, A. & J.	Pukurua	"	150	0 6 3	

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Flockowner.	Residence.	Condition of flock.	Number of sheep.	Assessment			Remarks.	
				£	s.	d.		
Walker, James	Paramatta	Clean	800	1	13	4	Porirua	
Welch, William	Taita	"	96	0	4	0		
Webby, Mrs. Edith	Oriental Bay	"	63	0	2	7½		
Wilson, Thomas	Waikanae	"	1500	3	2	6		
Wilton, Job	Wades Town	"	230	0	9	7		
Wright, J. F. E.	Goathurst	"	3212	6	13	10		
West, Daniel	Waiwetu	"	43	0	1	9½		
Williams, C. H.	Makara	"	144	0	6	0		
Wall, Anthony	Porirua Bay	"	750	1	11	3		
Williamson, J. J. & S.	Ohariu	"	360	0	15	0		
White, Mrs. Anne	Fixel Farm	"	50	0	2	1		Old Porirua Road
Wall, Anthony	Porirua Ferry	"	330	0	13	9		
Woodman, Thomas	Pahautanui	"	3	0	0	1½		
Whitehouse, J. & W.	Porirua	"	400	0	16	8		
Wakeham, John	Wainuiomata	"	85	0	3	6½		
Walker, John	Stokes' Valley	"	97	0	4	0½		
Whiteman, George	Whiteman's Valley	"	70	0	2	11		
Whiteman, William	Whiteman's Valley	"	90	0	3	9		
Wilton, Elijah	Ohiro	"	500	1	0	10		
Tamihana Te Rauparaha	Otaki	"	800	1	13	4		
Tutere	Waikanae	"	550	1	2	11		
E, Noka te Wano	Otaki	"	12	0	0	6		
Hakaria	Otaki	"	48	0	2	0		
Henere Te Puni	Petoni	"	30	0	1	3		
Henere Te Puni	Wainuiomata	"	800	1	13	4		
Ropata Nga Puki	Waikanae	"	250	0	10	5		
Wihi Peihaua	Ohau	"	50	0	2	1		
Hapimana	Waikawa	"	21	0	0	10½		
Matenga	Petoni	"	400	0	16	8		
Wi Parata	Kapiti	"	1400	2	18	4		
Henera Roera	Muhunoa	"	650	1	7	1		
Tamihana Te Hoia	Porotawaho	"	50	0	2	1	Manawatu	
Karariua	Porokaihahi	"	550	1	2	11		
Te Hira	Waikanae	"	180	0	7	6		
Tamiti Mukaka	Waikanae	"	100	0	4	2		
E Noka Hohepa	Waikanae	"	50	0	2	1		
Tupi	Waikanae	"	250	0	10	5		
Totals			79,537	165	14	0½		

COMPARATIVE RETURN of SHEEP in the Wellington and West Coast district for the years 1866 to 1873, inclusive.

Date.	Clean.	Scab.	Total.	Remarks.
December, 1866 ...	34,640	7367	42,007	May Returns
November, 1867 ...	60,520	11,490	72,010	"
July, 1868, and October, 1869	70,933	5749	76,682	"
October, 1870 ...	70,849	5079	75,938	"
October, 1871 ...	69,337	...	69,337	"
October, 1872 ...	80,950	...	80,950	"
October, 1873 ...	79,537	...	79,537	January Returns

The general condition of the flocks in the Wellington and West Coast district show a vast improvement on previous years, both as regards health and a much better class of sheep.

The flock owners are paying greater attention to breeding than formerly, and find it more profitable to have a smaller number of superior sheep than an overstocked run or farm with an inferior flock.

One case of scab has come under my notice since last report, viz., a shipment of four imported German Merino rams of a very superior breed, that arrived per "Glenlora," from England, in March last, only two of which survived after the arrival of the vessel.

Mr. Daniel Richards' certificate was cancelled for a short time, more as a precautionary step than for actual scab, as it was thought prudent to have the flock dipped in consequence of symptoms then showing. The flock did not, however, break out, and a clean certificate is now held by the owner.

Taking the district all through, I can with certainty say that for the last three years it has been free from scab.

There is a decrease of 1,413 in the number of sheep returned as compared with the October returns of 1872, which may be accounted for by the returns this year being made in January instead of May, as formerly, whereby a number of lambs do not class as six months old sheep.

Very convenient yards (capable of holding from 800 to 1000 sheep) and sheep dip are now ready within easy distance of the shipping, for the purpose of dressing all newly imported sheep that arrive after the first of May, 1874, in terms of Clause 5 of "The Diseased Sheep Act Amendment Act, 1873."

If the flock owners and butchers are careful how they receive sheep from the adjoining districts, there is every prospect of this district continuing in a healthy state for an indefinite period; and drovers, in particular, should be cautious in taking charge of drafts of sheep intended for removal from one district to another, and not only remember that there is a penalty for driving without a certificate, but also be on their guard what paddocks and yards they use when on their journey, for it is quite certain that much mischief has accrued from neglecting to adopt these necessary precautions.

Fellmongers premises adjoining farms where sheep are depastured should be carefully guarded against, as there is great danger to be apprehended from the loose wool that is carried about by the wind, and other causes.

R. D. WALLACE,

Inspector of Sheep,

Wellington and West Coast District.

Sheep Inspector's Office,
Wellington, 31st October, 1873.