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(PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON).

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HENRY BUNNY,  
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

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No. 11.

## PROCLAMATION.

By His Honor WILLIAM FITZHERBERT, Esquire, C.M.G., Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand.

WHEREAS by the eleventh section of "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873," it is enacted that no Native Game shall be hunted, shot, taken, or killed in any part of the Province, except during such months as may from time to time be proclaimed by the Superintendent, not exceeding four consecutive months, in respect of each bird mentioned in the fifth Schedule.

Now therefore, I, William Fitzherbert, Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, do hereby proclaim and appoint that it shall be lawful to hunt, shoot, take, or kill any of the birds enumerated in the said fifth Schedule of the "Protection of Animals Act, 1873," in the Province of Wellington, during the months of April, May, June, and July, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Province of Wellington, at Wellington, this Thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,  
Superintendent.

Countersigned,  
HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

## Public Notice.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 31st March, 1875.

THE Birds enumerated in the fifth Schedule of the "Protection of Animals Act, 1873," and referred to in the foregoing proclamation, are as follows:—

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Wild Duck of any species | Tui                |
| Bittern                  | Native Pigeon      |
| Pied Stilt Plover        | Teal               |
| Wild Geese               | Black Stilt Plover |
| Dotterell                | Curlew             |
|                          | Quail              |

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

## Election of Commissioner.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 30th March 1875.

NOTICE has been received by His Honor the Superintendent that Mr. ROBERT JOHN KNOX was elected a Commissioner of the Lethbridge Local Board on the 17th March, in the place of Mr. E. Hales, resigned.

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

## Warrant.

I, WILLIAM FITZHERBERT, do hereby appoint GEORGE HENRY WELCH to be Toll Collector at the Featherston Toll Gate, Wairarapa.

Given under my hand at Wellington, this 25th day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,  
Superintendent.

## Appointment.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 30th March, 1875.

NOTICE has been received at this Office, under the hand of the Secretary of the Wanganui and Waitotara Highway Board, that

Mr. R. S. Low has been appointed Assessor for that Highway District.

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

## Notice.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 20th March, 1875.

NOTICE has been received by His Honor the Superintendent under the hand of H. C. Field, Presiding Officer, that

MR. ROBERT TAYLOR DAVIS, was elected on the 15th inst., a Warden for Ward No. 7, of the Wanganui and Waitotara Highway District, in the place of Mr. William Finnimore, resigned.

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Notice.*

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 30th March, 1875.

THE Chairman of the Rangitikei Highway Board has forwarded the following amended Construction Order in lieu of the Construction Order published in the Wellington Provincial Gazette of the 19th February 1875, No. 6.

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Highway Construction Notice.*

NOTICE is hereby given that the Rangitikei Highway Board has caused specifications, maps, plans, and elevations to be deposited for inspection at the office of the said Board at Marton, showing a road proposed to be constructed through the properties of Messrs. Charles Cameron and John M'Kay to the property of Mr. Archibald Cameron, being sections Nos. 54, 74, 78, and 69, in the Turakina District; and also a road through the properties of Mr. George Maunder and the estate of John Lambert, being sections or blocks numbers LXV. and IX., Rangitikei District. And that all persons affected by the proposed work or undertaking are required to set forth in writing, addressed to the said Board, within forty days from the publication of

this notice in the *Gazette* of the Province of Wellington, all objections which they may have to the said work or undertaking.

GEO. YATES LETHBRIDGE,  
Chairman Rangitikei Highway Board.  
Dated this twenty-fourth day of  
March, 1875.

*Notice.*

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 17th March, 1875.

NOTICE has been received at this Office under the hand of the Presiding Officer, Mr. Robert Harris, that

MR. CHARLES M. GALPIN,  
has been duly elected Warden for Ward No. 7, Rangitikei Highway District, in the place of Mr. Charles Thoms, resigned.

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Appointment.*

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 16th March, 1875.

NOTICE has been received at this office from the Chairman of the "Johnsonville Local Board," that the Board have appointed MR. FRANK ORBELL,  
Collector of Rates to the Board.

HENRY BUNNY,  
Provincial Secretary.

*Crown Grants.*

Crown Lands Office.

Wellington, 31st March, 1875.

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" and "The Crown Grants Amendment Act, 1867."

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. |
| 4067          | Te Kopihā Waitai and others | Opaki     | 307       | 0  | 0  |
| 4067A.        | Albert Eaton Robinson       | Okotuku   | 52        | 3  | 18 |
| 4067B.        | Richard Stanley Craig       | "         | 81        | 0  | 25 |

JOS. G. HOLDSWORTH,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

# APPENDIX.

## Appendix A.

### REPORT OF CROWN LANDS COMMISSIONER.

Crown Lands Office,

Wellington, 10th April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to furnish, for your information, the subjoined Report relative to the operations of the Crown Lands and Survey Departments for the financial year commencing 1st April, 1874, and ending 31st March, 1875.

#### LAND OFFERED AT AUCTION.

During the financial year there have been three sales by public auction of Crown Lands, the total area thus submitted to competition being 117,811 acres, exclusive of a few small town allotments in the Te Aro Pa reserve.

The first auction sale was held on the 23th April, 1874, the lands offered consisting of town, suburban, and rural sections in the township of Palmerston, in the Manawatu District; also, sections in the Karere Block; 1,800 acres in the Waikupa reserve, on the left bank of the Wanganui River; land in the Horikiwi Valley District, and in the Rangitumau Block, Wairarapa. The total amount of land offered at this sale was 10,172 acres.

The second auction sale took place on the 26th October, 1874, when lands in the Parae Karetu and Waitotara Blocks, West Coast; also in the Tupurupuru, Rangitumau, Taratahi, Akiteo, and Pahaua Blocks, Wairarapa and East Coast Districts, were submitted to public competition. Some town sections in Palmerston; land in the Hutt and Mungaroa Districts; also on the left bank of the Wanganui River, were offered at this sale. The total put up to auction on this occasion amounted to 100,898 acres.

The third and last sale during the financial year was held on the 25th February, 1875. The lands offered consisted of fourteen building sites, situated in the Te Aro Pa reserve, City of Wellington; pastoral country in the East Coast District; and agricultural land in the Taratahi Plain Block, Wairarapa District. The most important part of the lands offered at this sale was a large number of town and suburban sections, situated in the township of Bunnythorpe, Manawatu District. The total amount offered at this sale was 6,741 acres.

#### CROWN LANDS SOLD DURING 1874-5, THE FINANCIAL YEAR.

The total amount of Crown lands sold during the financial year commencing 1st April, 1874, and ending 31st March, 1875, was 117,594A. OR. 14½P. Of this amount, 74,618A. OR. 14½P. were surveyed before the sale, while 42,976 acres, also sold, have still to be surveyed. The lands thus sold may be classified as follows:—

|                |     |     |     |     | A.      | R. | P.  |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|----|-----|
| Town Lands ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 396     | 3  | 26½ |
| Suburban ...   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,313   | 1  | 4   |
| Rural ...      | ... | ... | ... | ... | 89,538  | 3  | 24  |
| Pastoral ...   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26,345  | 0  | 0   |
| Total ...      | ... | ... | ... | ... | 117,594 | 0  | 14½ |

#### AVERAGE PRICES REALISED.

As the result of a careful calculation, I find that, taking an average of the prices realised for the amount of land sold during the financial year, the following figures may be relied upon as accurate, viz. :—

Town sections realised an average price of £24 1s. per acre; suburban sections, £3 4s. 5d. per acre, while rural and pastoral sections, taken together, show an average of 13s. 6d. per acre. The highest prices realised were those obtained for the town and suburban sections in the township of Bunnythorpe, Manawatu District.

## LAND REVENUE.

The receipts obtained from the sale of Crown lands during the past financial year amount to a sum largely in excess of what has ever before accrued from this source during a similar period. Your Honor's estimate of the territorial income for 1874-5 was £75,000, while the actual income was as under:—

|           |     |     |     |     |         |    |   |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|----|---|
| Cash      | ... | ... | ... | ... | £81,433 | 1  | 7 |
| Scrip     | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9,672   | 10 | 0 |
| Fees, &c. | ... | ... | ... | ... | 22      | 1  | 8 |
|           |     |     |     |     | <hr/>   |    |   |
|           |     |     |     |     | £91,127 | 13 | 3 |

Forming part of the above stated receipts, is a sum of £13,625, being the purchase money for 21,800 acres of land situated in the township of Carnarvon, in the Manawatu District, bought by Messrs. John Douglas and others, in September, 1874. This land was set aside under "The Wellington Special Settlements Act, 1871," by your Honor, and its sale was effected on certain specified conditions agreed to by the Governor in Council. These conditions are fully set forth in the *General Government Gazette*, No. 48, of date 10th September, 1874; but their general tenor is as follows:—The land is sold to an Association of persons, who undertake to drain and improve it, at an outlay, within the next two years and six months, dating from 5th September, 1874, of not less than £10,000. The Association also undertakes, within two years, to locate at least seventy families on a selected block of 7,000 acres, recently chosen by me out of the 21,800 comprised in the purchase. This block is to be surveyed and laid out by the Association in sections of one hundred acres each, which are to be sold to the heads of the families already mentioned on a system of deferred payments extending over four years, the price being £2 per acre. The price paid by the Association for the whole of the land included within the original purchase is at the rate of twelve shillings and sixpence (12s. 6d.) per acre.

The appended schedule, marked A, will supply detailed particulars as to the amount of land sold, and deposits received, during the financial year.

## BLOCKS OVER WHICH THE NATIVE TITLE HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED.

During the period between 9th April and 16th October, 1874, the Native title has been extinguished over 180,661A. 2R. 20P., comprised within the several blocks specified in the schedule attached, marked B. With the exception, however, of the Parae Karetu Porewa District, three small blocks in the Wairarapa, containing 2,841 acres, and some building allotments in the Te Aro Pah reserve, the whole of the land thus acquired has been for the present handed over to the General Government, pending the selection of 80,000 acres as special settlements for the location of immigrants.

## MR. LARKWORTHY'S PURCHASE.

The payments on the 7,000 acres of swamp land at Foxton, in the Manawatu District, purchased by Mr. Falconer Larkworthy, of London, under the provisions of "The Wellington Special Settlements Act, 1871," have been regularly made as they have fallen due.

## HUTT SMALL FARM ASSOCIATION—LAND ON DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

It is also satisfactory to note that the members of the Hutt Small Farm Association, who hold the block in the Rangitikei-Manawatu District originally set apart for their use as a small farm settlement on a system of deferred payments, have all now paid up the instalments in full, thereby securing to themselves their properties in freehold, and thus reaping all the advantages looked forward to when the Association was founded. The whole of the land thrown open for sale on deferred payments under the provisions of Part I., "Wellington Special Settlements Act, 1871," has been taken up. Thirty one (31) holdings, comprising 4,430½ acres, on which the second instalments fell due during the past year, have, in accordance with the Act, been visited by an officer appointed by your Honor, who has valued the improvements made, in order to ascertain whether the conditions specified in the "license to occupy" had been complied with. In all instances this has been found to be the case, and payment of the second instalments of the purchase money has been made and received.

## CROWN GRANTS.

During the year there have been prepared and forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary for Crown Lands, for the signature of His Excellency the Governor, 115 Crown Grants, including an area of 62,766 acres 1 rood 20 perches. Most of those

grants are for large areas, and represent land purchased many years ago. At the present date there cannot, including those required to be issued for lands recently sold, be less than three thousand Crown grants still to issue; but as the re-survey of lands sold by the New Zealand Company is well advanced, it is anticipated that during the current year a considerable number of grants will be prepared, and the large arrears in question materially reduced. The land sales of the past year alone necessitate the preparation of 700 Crown grants.

BLOCKS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE DURING 1875-76.

The Crown lands to be offered for sale during the current year include a block of fine timbered country on the south bank of the Manawatu River, estimated to contain 10,000 acres; about 30,000 acres in the Rangitumau Block, situated between Alfredton and Masterton; the unsold balance of the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block, situated north of the Manchester Block, estimated to contain 20,000 acres; and the land north and south of the road line from Mungaroa to the West Coast. Assuming that these valuable lands will be surveyed, and the road lines determined before they are offered for sale by public auction, a considerable revenue would be obtained by their disposal, which would be materially increased, provided the bush on the proposed road lines were fallen, and the formation of the road lines completed before the land was placed in the market.

In the case of the land at Fitzherbert, on the south side of the Manawatu River, there is reason to believe that more than sufficient totara timber will be found on the road lines for the erection of a bridge across the river.

The execution of this work would connect the district with Palmerston, and, besides, tend to promote the sale of the land.

GENERAL PROGRESS OF WORK.

Although the largely increased sales of Crown lands during the past year has at times taxed to the utmost the energies of the officers of the Department, yet it is satisfactory to report that the work has been kept closely posted up, without any increase being made to the staff. Now that the re-surveys and final adjustment of the very serious difficulties arising from the imperfect and inaccurate surveys of former years are approaching completion, there are good grounds for believing that the Survey Department will be able materially to reduce the areas of Crown Grants still unissued, and thereby in some measure remove a long standing source of annoyance and difficulty in dealing with lands sold by the Crown.

The appended Schedules (as marked) supply full and detailed information as to the transactions of the office during the year, while the Report of the Chief Surveyor, forwarded herewith, will inform you with respect to the work executed by the Survey Department during the same period.

I have, &c.,

Jos. G. HOLDSWORTH,  
Commissioner Crown Lands.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

RETURN OF LANDS SOLD from the 1ST APRIL, 1874, to the 31ST MARCH, 1875.

| DISTRICT.                    | CONTENTS.     | PAYMENT. |    |        |       |    |    |
|------------------------------|---------------|----------|----|--------|-------|----|----|
|                              |               | Cash.    |    | Scrip. |       |    |    |
|                              | A. R. P.      | £        | s. | d.     | £     | s. | d. |
| Wellington ... ..            | 3,383 2 19½   | 2,158    | 7  | 6      | 1,150 | 0  | 0  |
| Manawatu ... ..              | 35,540 0 3    | 33,133   | 15 | 7      | 7,460 | 0  | 0  |
| Rangitikei ... ..            | 1,538 0 0     | 561      | 11 | 0      | 260   | 0  | 0  |
| Waitotara ... ..             | 1,305 2 0     | 2,542    | 6  | 3      | 50    | 0  | 0  |
| Wanganui ... ..              | 6,239 0 0     | 5,727    | 15 | 0      | 60    | 0  | 0  |
| Porewa ... ..                | 13,488 2 0    | 9,821    | 6  | 3      | ...   |    |    |
| Wairarapa and East Coast ... | 56,099 1 32   | 27,488   | 0  | 0      | 712   | 10 | 0  |
| Totals ... ..                | 117,594 0 14½ | 81,433   | 1  | 7      | 9,672 | 10 | 0  |

Jos. G. HOLDSWORTH,  
Commissioner Crown Lands.

Crown Lands Office, Wellington,  
April 10th, 1875.

SCHEDULE of BLOCKS in the WELLINGTON PROVINCE over which the NATIVE TITLE has been EXTINGUISHED, during the period between 9th April and 16th October, 1874.

| DATE OF PROCLAMATION AND NO. OF GAZETTE. | NAME OF BLOCK AND SITUATION THEREOF.          | ACREAGE OF BLOCK. |    |    |
|--|---|-------------------|----|----|
|  |   | A.                | R. | P. |
| 1874.                                    |   |                   |    |    |
| 9th April, <i>Gazette</i> No. 22 ...     | Kurumahenano Block, Wairarapa ... ..          | 690               | 0  | 0  |
| Do. ...                                  | Mungaraki Block, East Coast ... ..            | 1,666             | 0  | 0  |
| Do. ...                                  | Airikirau ... ..                              | 610               | 0  | 0  |
| 2nd July, <i>Gazette</i> No. 35 ...      | Kaihuia Block, No. 1, Seventy-Mile Bush... .. | 22,000            | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | Kaihuia " No. 2, " " " " ... ..               | 19,000            | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | Mongahao " No. 1, " " " " ... ..              | 23,000            | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | Mongahao " No. 2, " " " " ... ..              | 8,000             | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | Manawatu-Wairarapa, No. 1, " " " " ... ..     | 6,000             | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | " " 2, " " " " ... ..                         | 15,000            | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | " " 2A, " " " " ... ..                        | 6,000             | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | " " 2B, " " " " ... ..                        | 15,000            | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | Ngatupu Block, No. 1, " " " " ... ..          | 4,000             | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | " " 2, " " " " ... ..                         | 7,000             | 0  | 0  |
| " ...                                    | Mongahao " 3, " " " " ... ..                  | 7,000             | 0  | 0  |
| *15th October, <i>Gazette</i> No. 55     | Parae Karetu Block, Porewa District ... ..    | 45,695            | 0  | 0  |
|  |   | 180,661           | 0  | 0  |
| 16th October, <i>Gazette</i> No. 55 ...  | Sections in Te Aro Pah Reserve ... ..         | 0                 | 2  | 20 |

\*The original notification of Native title extinguished over Parae Karetu is signed by W. Reeves, and dated 4th June, 1872; but the date of the proclamation is as above.

## Appendix B.

### REPORT OF CHIEF SURVEYOR ON SURVEYS, &c.

Survey Office,

Wellington, 10th April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward the following Report of the Progress made in the Surveys of the Province during the financial year 1874-5.

Survey parties employed on field work :—

|                    |     |     |                                  |      |
|--------------------|-----|-----|----------------------------------|------|
| Wanganui District  | ... | ... | 1 District Surveyor for 3 months |      |
| " "                | ... | ... | 2 Assistants "                   | 12 " |
| Turakina "         | ... | ... | 1 " "                            | 12 " |
| Rangitikei "       | ... | ... | 1 District "                     | 3 "  |
| " "                | ... | ... | 1 Assistant "                    | 6 "  |
| Manawatu "         | ... | ... | 1 " "                            | 12 " |
| " "                | ... | ... | 1 " "                            | 6 "  |
| Wellington "       | ... | ... | 2 District "                     | 6 "  |
| " "                | ... | ... | 1 " "                            | 8 "  |
| " "                | ... | ... | 1 " "                            | 4 "  |
| " "                | ... | ... | 1 Assistant "                    | 6 "  |
| Hutt "             | ... | ... | 1 " "                            | 9 "  |
| Wairarapa "        | ... | ... | 1 District "                     | 5 "  |
| " "                | ... | ... | 1 Cadet "                        | 12 " |
| East Coast "       | ... | ... | 1 District "                     | 5 "  |
| " " "              | ... | ... | 1 Assistant "                    | 8 "  |
| Parae Karetu Block | ... | ... | 1 District "                     | 6 "  |
| " " "              | ... | ... | 3 Assistants "                   | 2 "  |

There have been eighteen field surveyors borne on the strength of the staff during the year; thirteen of this number have been constantly employed in the field, whilst the remainder were employed on office duties, bringing up the arrears of plots of work returned for the preceding year.

## WORKS EXECUTED AND IN PROGRESS.

|                           |     | Acres.   |
|---------------------------|-----|--|
| Wanganui, Left Bank       | ... | 6,200—Completed.   |
| „ Right Bank              | ... | 5,200—Requires plotting.                                     |
| „ „                       | ... | 6,800—Preliminary traverses.                                 |
| Turakina                  | ... | 15,000—Requires two months to complete field work and plots. |
| Rangitikei, Lower         | ... | 33,000—Completed.  |
| Wellington Districts—     |     |  |
| Makara and Karori         | ... | 8,000—Plots completed, in course of pegging.                 |
| Ohariu                    | ... | 4,000—Preliminary traverses.                                 |
| Upper Hutt and Pakuratahi | ... | 9,000  |
| Manawatu, Bunnythorpe     | ... | 4,100—Requires plot.   |
| Wairarapa, Opaki          | ... | 1,477—Completed.   |
| East Coast District       | ... | 71,000—Preliminary traverses.                                |
| Total                     |     | ... 163,777 acres.   |

In the Survey Office, Crown Grants for 117,355 acres have been prepared; beyond the usual office duties compilations of recent surveys have been executed. A lithograph plan of the Wellington triangulation on a scale of 100 chains to an inch, and also several other lithograph plans of lands for sale, have been performed.

The following are the works proposed to be undertaken during the financial year 1875 and 1876:—

|                     |     | Acres.      |
|---------------------|-----|-------------|
| Wanganui District   | ... | 15,000      |
| Rangitikei District | ... | 20,000      |
| Wellington District | ... | 7,000       |
| Manawatu District   | ... | 10,000      |
| Rangitikei-Manawatu | ... | 20,000      |
| Wairarapa District  | ... | 35,000      |
| East Coast          | ... | 45,000      |
| Total               |     | ... 152,000 |

During the month of February this year the state of Surveys in this Province was inspected by Major Palmer, Royal Engineer. A complete exposition of the systems pursued, both in the Triangulation and in the Sectional Surveys, together with elaborate reports on the past and present conditions of the Surveys were prepared and furnished to Major Palmer; and I also personally afforded him all the information he desired with respect to this Province to embody in his report to the General Government on the condition of the Surveys in New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

HENRY JACKSON,  
Chief Surveyor.

Jos. G. Holdsworth, Esq.,  
Commissioner Crown Lands, Wellington.

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### Appendix C.

#### REPORT OF THE PROVINCIAL ENGINEER ON THE ROADS, &c., IN THE PROVINCE.

Provincial Engineer's Office,

Wellington, 12th April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward, for your information, a Report upon the various Public Works in progress or undertaken by the Province, during the financial year ending the 31st March, 1875.

The whole of the roads under the control of the Provincial Government have been kept in good repair. Owing to the large additional length of road opened for traffic during the last few years, and increased traffic thereon, the vote of the Council has been exceeded by the sum of £107 13s. 9d. Messrs. Taylor and Jones' contract for repairs of portion of Great North-Western Road terminated on the 2nd instant; it has been very satisfactorily carried out. Mr. Joseph Blackey was the successful tenderer for the continuation of the work, at £800 per annum. Mr. Welch is carrying out his contract for repairs, from Ray's to Masterton, also in a faithful manner. Contracts have been accepted for the necessary re-metalling on the following sections, viz., Wanganui to

Waitotara, Wanganui to Bull's, Bull's to Palmerston; and for the supply of stone for road metal between Wellington and Pukuratahi. Tenders are to be received on the 20th instant for the re-metalling necessary between Ray's and Featherston. Every precaution has been taken to maintain the whole in perfect order during the ensuing winter.

The main road through the Lethbridge Local Board District has been handed over for repairs, &c., to the Board, at their solicitation. They are improving it considerably. The Government are to pay the average cost per mile during the last three years to the Board for its maintenance.

The whole of the public works for which appropriations were passed have been undertaken, with the exception of the items—Punt, Wairarapa Lake; grant in aid, Waikupa reserve; and bridle track, Blackey's to Paikakariki.

After considerable delay, the contract for reclamation, Thorndon, is now being pushed forward by the contractor, Mr. O'Malley. Nearly all the jarrah timber required has been delivered; the balance of order is expected to arrive daily.

The sum of £1,062 14s. 11d., out of Bridge Fund account, has been expended in the protection, &c., of the various bridges and river banks. The Hutt and Wairarapa rivers have been giving us much trouble during the past year. I have had a large quantity of willows planted, and with great success, especially in the vicinity of the Hutt Bridge and Silver Stream.

With reference to the encroachments of the Waiohine at Greytown, Mr. Blackett has already fully reported to your Honor. Everything is being done according to his recommendations to keep the road open.

The snag punt has been satisfactorily employed in improving the Wanganui River. Part of the expenditure under this heading has come out of the contingent vote, the restrictions respecting letting works by contract being withdrawn for this particular work.

The officers of this Department have been fully employed, and their work upon the whole has been performed in a highly satisfactory manner.

The various undertakings out of the Provincial Public Works Advances Act have occupied a considerable part of their time. Great difficulty has been experienced in preparing the sections for drainage at Oroua Swamp, in consequence of the opposition by Natives to the work. The Engineer has been twice turned off the block, and considerable time has been lost over the matter. No settlement has yet been arrived at. I beg to call your attention to the fact that I have lost the services of Mr. Graff for a period of some three months, in consequence of his attendance on the special work connected with the Oroua Swamp. As the Provincial Government has, I understand, no authority to settle Native disputes, I wish to be informed whether I am at liberty to detach Mr. Graff to some other works in the Province which now urgently require the attention of the Engineer's Department.

The drainage works at Motoa are progressing favorably, and very good results are anticipated.

For details of works, I beg to refer your Honor to Schedules attached, which I have made as full as possible.

I have, &c.,

J. D. BAIRD,

Provincial Engineer.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

SCHEDULE of BRIDGES and other WORKS COMMENCED since 31st MARCH, 1874, now in PROGRESS or COMPLETED.

| NAME OF BRIDGE OR WORK.             | NAME OF CONTRACTOR.        | DESCRIPTION OF WORK.  | LENGTH. | COST. |    |    | REMARKS.   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---------|-------|----|----|--|
|                                     |                            |   | Feet.   | £     | s. | d. |  |
| Police station, Greytown ... ..     | R. A. Wakelin ... ..       | Constable's residence, police station, and cells ... ..                             | ...     | 399   | 0  | 0  | Completed.   |
| Ditto Carterton ... ..              | Ditto ... ..               | Ditto ... ..  | ...     | 275   | 0  | 0  | Ditto.   |
| Ditto Te Aro ... ..                 | S. Brown ... ..            | Ditto ... ..  | ...     | 310   | 0  | 0  | Not yet completed.   |
| Bridge Fund Account ... ..          | By contract and day labour | Constructing groins, planting willows, &c.... ..                                    | ...     | 1,062 | 14 | 11 | This amount has been expended in protective works throughout the Province, but principally upon the Hutt and Wairarapa rivers.   |
| Silver Stream Bridge ... ..         | Percy and Meager ... ..    | Pile bridge, two spans of 25ft. each  | 50      | 280   | 13 | 6  | This includes a few items for wire, &c., besides the contract amount.  |
| Tutaenui Bridge ... ..              | J. and C. Bull ... ..      | Pile bridge, three spans of 32ft., centres ... ..                                   | 96      | 550   | 0  | 0  | Not yet completed.   |
| Greytown Bridges ... ..             | W. Allen ... ..            | Pile bridge, one span, 16ft.... ..  | 16      | 65    | 0  | 0  | The old bridge was washed away by Waiohine flood.  |
| Ditto ... ..                        | F. Whybrow ... ..          | Pile bridge, three spans of 16ft. each  | 48      | 175   | 0  | 0  | Not yet completed.   |
| Abbott's Creek Bridge, No. 2 ... .. | R. A. Wakelin ... ..       | Truss girder bridge, two spans 55ft., one of 20ft. ... ..                           | 130     | 1,670 | 0  | 0  | Not yet completed.   |
| Whareama Bridge ... ..              | Thomas Gibson ... ..       | New pier in old bridge ... ..   | ...     | 275   | 0  | 0  | This sum is reduced by £45 for penalty inflicted for non completion of contract in specified time, and for gross dishonesty on part of contractor, in cutting off several feet of a pile. Contingent vote. |
| Taueru Bridge ... ..                | W. Francis... ..           | Truss girder, three spans of 85ft. and two spans of 25ft. Piers, 50ft. high. ... .. | 305     | 3,880 | 0  | 0  | The contractor for this bridge has also the use of the portable engine belonging to the Provincial Government. Contingent vote.  |
|                                     |                            | Total length of bridges... ..   | 645     | 8,942 | 8  | 5  | Total amount for works commenced since financial year ending 31st March, 1874.   |

SCHEDULE OF BRIDGES and other WORKS in hand before 31st MARCH, 1874, but COMPLETED or in PROGRESS during FINANCIAL YEAR ending 31st MARCH, 1875.

| NAME OF BRIDGE OR WORK.          | NAME OF CONTRACTOR.                         | DESCRIPTION OF WORK.                                      | LENGTH. | COST.      | REMARKS.  |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---------|------------|---|
|                                  |   |   | Feet.   | £ s. d.    |   |
| Te Ore Ore Bridge ... ..         | W. Francis ... ..                           | Pile bridge, 24 spans, of 29ft. centres ... ..            | 692     | 2,822 1 10 | This amount includes cost of strengthening piers damaged by heavy flood just after completion.  |
| Abbott's Creek ... ..            | J. A. Petherick ... ..                      | Truss girder, 3 spans of 70ft. ...                        | 210     | 1,950 0 0  | The contractor failed while engaged upon this work, and it was completed by day-labor, under the superintendence of Mr. Vine; the item includes cost of approaches. |
| Toll-house, Waihenga ... ..      | R. A. Wakelin ... ..                        | Public-house, as well as a toll-house ... ..              | ...     | 684 18 0   | This was built to replace house burnt down.   |
| Reclaimed Land Wellington ... .. | E. O'Malley ... ..                          | Reclamation of 52½ acres of land from Lambton Harbour ... | ...     | 55,798 1 0 | This work is now being pushed forward; the whole of the main piles for breastwork are driven, and the contractor has a locomotive at work filling.                  |
| Ditto ... ..                     | Western Australian Jarra Timber Company ... | Supply of timber for reclamation ...                      | ...     | 6,822 3 4  | The whole of the timber has not yet been delivered, but there is plenty to keep the contractor going.   |
|                                  |   | Total feet bridging ... ..                                | 902     | 68,077 4 2 | Total amount for works commenced before 31st March, 1874, only the three first works yet completed.   |

SUMMARY.

902 running feet of bridging commenced before 31st March, 1874, have been completed.  
 645 running feet of bridging has been commenced and is now being constructed since 31st March, 1874.

Total cost of bridges finished or in course of completion ... .. £11,667 15 4  
 Total cost of other works finished or in course of completion ... .. 65,351 17 3

£77,019 12 7

SCHEDULE of ROADS in hand before 31st MARCH, 1874, but COMPLETED during FINANCIAL YEAR, ending 31st MARCH, 1875.

| NAME OF ROAD.  | NAME OF CONTRACTOR.                     | DESCRIPTION AND LENGTH OF WORK IN CHAINS. |         |          |              | AMOUNTS PAID ON ACCOUNT OTHER THAN PROVINCIAL REVENUE. | APPROXIMATE COST. | REMARKS.   |
|--|---|---|---------|----------|--------------|--|-------------------|--|
|  |   | Formed and Metalled                       | Formed. | Metalled | Bush Felled. |  |                   |  |
| Waipoua towards Forty-Mile Bush ... ..                     | Day labor ... ..                        | 20  | ...     | ...      | ...          | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.           | This work has been done by roadmen. £76 6s. 6d. of this amount was paid before close of financial year, 1874.            |
| Palmerston to Fitzherbert ... ..                           | Berquist and McEwin ... ..              | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 90           | ...  | 168 0 0           |  |
| Road round Porirua Harbor ... ..                           | R. Lyon ... ..                          | 33  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 338 0 0           | £220 of this amount was paid before close of financial year, 1874.   |
| Pahautanui to Belmont ... ..                               | D. Galloway ... ..                      | ...                                       | 20      | ...      | ...          | ...  | 82 0 6            | This amount includes a few items for clearing fallen trees and renewing culverts.  |
| Motoa Road ... ..  | Manawatu Highways District Board ... .. | ...                                       | 50      | ...      | 40           | ...  | 200 0 0           | Grant-in-Aid towards funds provided by the Board.  |
| Foxton to Sandon ... ..                                    | Gustafsen and Co. ... ..                | ...                                       | 120     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 3392 2 8          | The formation simply was let in these contracts, no culverts were put in.  |
| " " ... ..   | John Ross... ..                         | ...                                       | 120     | ...      | ...          | ...  |                   |  |
| " " ... ..   | Collie, Scott and Wilkinson ... ..      | ...                                       | 120     | ...      | ...          | ...  |                   |  |
| " " ... ..   | Hastings Malcombe ... ..                | ...                                       | 365     | ...      | ...          | ...  |                   |  |
| " " ... ..   | A. Stewart ... ..                       | 128                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  |                   |  |
| " " ... ..   | By day labor ... ..                     | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 270 6 2           | This work was done by the Road Overseer with a party of men. Consisted in putting in culverts through parts formed only. |
| Te Ore Ore ... ..  | By day labor ... ..                     | 64  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 356 0 0           | This includes approaches to Ruamahunga Bridge.   |
| Evan's Bay Road... ..                                      | Collie, Scott and Wilkinson ... ..      | 209                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | 708 6 9  | 1790 0 0          | £400 of this amount was paid during financial year ending 31st March, 1874, and balance by City Council.                 |
| Tinui to Alfredton ... ..                                  | By Immigrants and by day labor ... ..   | ...                                       | 70      | ...      | ...          | ...  | 228 19 10         | This work was left unfinished owing to the wet weather. It is now being completed out of Contingent Vote.                |
|  |   | 454                                       | 865     | ...      | 130          | 708 6 9  | 6943 17 2         |  |
| Deduct sums paid last financial year, and by other parties |   |   |         |          |              | ...  | 1404 13 3         |  |
|  |   |   |         |          |              |  | 5539 3 11         | Total amount paid for works commenced in financial year ending 31st March, 1874.   |

J. D. BAIRD, Provincial Engineer.

SCHEDULE of ROADS COMMENCED or CONTRACTED FOR since 31st MARCH, 1874.

| NAME OF ROAD.   | NAME OF CONTRACTOR.        | DESCRIPTION AND LENGTH OF WORK IN CHAINS. |         |          |              | AMOUNTS PAID FOR WORKS OTHER THAN PROVINCIAL REVENUE. | APPROXIMATE COST.      | REMARKS.  |
|---|----------------------------|---|---------|----------|--------------|---|------------------------|---|
|   |                            | Formed and Metalled                       | Formed. | Metalled | Bush Felled. |   |                        |   |
| General repairs ... ..                                  | By contract and day labour | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | £ s. d.<br>...  | £ s. d.<br>10,107 13 9 | This amount includes all payments for contracts and for day laborers upon all roads under the control of the Provincial Government. |
| Formation Main-street, Foxton...                        | Local Board ... ..         | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 51 0 0                 | Grant-in-Aid; improving Main-street, Foxton.  |
| Lowry Bay Coach Road ... ..                             | H. Wrightman ... ..        | 90  | ...     | ...      | ...          | 340 0 0   | 659 12 9               | Part paid by General Government and Dr. Grace.  |
| Palmerston to Fitzherbert ... ..                        | W. McDowell ... ..         | 52  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 310 5 4                | Not yet completed.  |
| Pahautanui to Belmont ... ..                            | W. R. Welch ... ..         | ...                                       | 400     | ...      | ...          | 130 0 0   | 679 3 4                | Ditto ditto. Widening bridle track to east formation. Wellington Highway Board contribute.  |
| Masterton to Castle Point ... ..                        | Stewart and Livingstone... | ...                                       | ...     | 40       | ...          | ...   | 314 0 0                | Not yet completed (Taueru Road)   |
| " " ... ..  | George Heron ... ..        | 42  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 152 5 0                | Ditto (Te Ore Ore)  |
| " " ... ..  | By road parties ... ..     | 30  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 511 5 9                | This includes cost of maintenance.  |
| Whiteman's Valley ... ..                                | D. Dick ... ..             | ...                                       | 230     | ...      | ...          | 75 0 0  | 777 10 0               | Not yet completed. Wellington Highway District Board contribute.  |
| Polhill's Gully, altered to deviation of Karori Road... | C. A. Spiers ... ..        | 28  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 447 10 0               | Not yet completed. Ditto ditto  |
| Foxton to Sandon ... ..                                 | W. Murray ... ..           | 118                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 920 8 0                | Ditto ditto.  |
| " " ... ..  | B. Eglinton ... ..         | 92  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 667 0 0                | Ditto ditto.  |
| Motoa Swamp and drains ... ..                           | Carter and Parker ... ..   | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 1,371 5 3              | Ditto ditto. This work consists of drains and other works for draining Motoa Swamp.   |
| Upper Taueru ... ..                                     | A. S. Dreyer ... ..        | ...                                       | 240     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 930 0 0                | Not yet completed. Includes bush felling.   |
| Lowry Valley ... ..                                     | W. Abbott, junr. ... ..    | 40  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 140 0 0                | Completed. Work let by Featherston H. D. Board.   |
| " " ... ..  | " " ... ..                 | 30  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 126 15 0               | Not yet completed.  |
| " " ... ..  | " " ... ..                 | 17  | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...   | 53 2 6                 | Ditto.  |
| " " ... ..  | " " ... ..                 | 14  | ...     | 12       | ...          | ...   | 72 15 0                | Ditto.  |
| " " ... ..  | D. Haggerty ... ..         | ...                                       | ...     | 44       | ...          | ...   | 66 0 0                 | Ditto.  |
| Wanganui to Waitotara...                                | A. Nathan... ..            | ...                                       | ...     | 340      | ...          | ...   | 1,147 10 0             | Ditto; re-metalling will be charged to repair of roads.   |
| Bull's to Wanganui ... ..                               | J. Freeth ... ..           | ...                                       | ...     | 110      | ...          | ...   | 189 15 0               | Ditto ditto ditto.  |
| " " ... ..  | Robert McLean ... ..       | ...                                       | ...     | 170      | ...          | ...   | 357 0 0                | Ditto ditto ditto.  |
| " " ... ..  | A. Nathan... ..            | ...                                       | ...     | 26       | ...          | ...   | 49 8 0                 | Ditto ditto ditto.  |

SCHEDULE OF ROADS COMMENCED OR CONTRACTED FOR since 31st MARCH, 1874.—Continued.

| NAME OF ROAD.                              | NAME OF CONTRACTOR.               | DESCRIPTION AND LENGTH OF WORK IN CHAINS. |         |          |              | AMOUNT PAID FOR WORKS OTHER THAN PROVINCIAL REVENUE. | APPROXIMATE COST. | REMARKS.  |      |         |             |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|---------|----------|--------------|--|-------------------|---|------|---------|-------------|--|
|  |                                   | Formed and Metalled                       | Formed. | Metalled | Bush Felled. |  |                   |   |      |         |             |  |
| Bull's to Wanganui ... ..                  | M. Read ... ..                    | ...                                       | ...     | 40       | ...          | £ s. d.<br>... ..                                    | £ s. d.<br>45 0 0 | Not yet completed; re-metalling will be charged to repairs of roads.  |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | Lethbridge Local Board...         | ...                                       | ...     | 70       | ...          | ...  | 85 15 0           | Ditto ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Bull's to Palmerston ... ..                | James Fowler ... ..               | ...                                       | ...     | 160      | ...          | ...  | 472 0 0           | Ditto ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Wellington to Ngahauranga ... ..           | Jos. Saunders ... ..              | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 140 0 9           | Not yet completed. Supply of stone for road metal, 1,400 cubic yards. |      |         |             |  |
| Ngahauranga to Koro Koro ... ..            | C. Maidment ... ..                | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 450 0 0           | Ditto ditto ditto 2,000 cubic yards.                                  |      |         |             |  |
| Koro Koro to Hutt Bridge ... ..            | " ... ..                          | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 75 0 0            | Ditto ditto ditto 600 ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Hutt Bridge to Black Bridge ... ..         | " ... ..                          | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 50 0 0            | Ditto ditto ditto 400 ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Black Bridge to first Gorge ... ..         | W. R. Welch ... ..                | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 85 8 4            | Ditto ditto ditto 500 ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| First Gorge to Mungaroa Bridge ... ..      | James Brown ... ..                | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 200 0 0           | Ditto ditto ditto 1,600 ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Mungaroa Bridge to Pakaratahi ... ..       | " ... ..                          | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | ...          | ...  | 120 0 0           | Ditto ditto ditto 600 ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Masterton to Alfredton ... ..              | Thomas Hurley ... ..              | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 140          | ...  | 210 0 0           | Ditto Contingent vote.  |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | McDonald and McKay ... ..         | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 560          | ...  | 1,052 0 0         | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | C. B. Bennington... ..            | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 240          | ...  | 396 0 0           | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | Thomas Sparks ... ..              | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 305          | ...  | 503 7 0           | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | Charles White ... ..              | ...                                       | ...     | 95       | ...          | ...  | 175 0 0           | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| Castle Point to Alfredton ... ..           | Messrs. A. and A. McLeod ... ..   | ...                                       | 164½    | ...      | ...          | ...  | 567 0 0           | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | A. Falloon ... ..                 | ...                                       | 50      | ...      | ...          | ...  | 149 0 0           | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
| " " ... ..                                 | By road party ... ..              | ...                                       | 90      | ...      | ...          | ...  | 560 0 0           | Completing works commenced by immigrants, and putting in culverts.    |      |         |             |  |
| Parakaretu Roads ... ..                    | Robert Marshall ... ..            | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 640          | ...  | 1,440 0 0         | Not yet completed. Contingent vote.                                   |      |         |             |  |
| Deviation West Coast Road ... ..           | Messrs. Evenson & Stratton ... .. | ...                                       | ...     | ...      | 400          | ...  | 460 0 0           | Ditto ditto   |      |         |             |  |
|  |                                   |   |         |          |              | 553  | 1294½             | 1012  | 2285 | 545 0 0 | 27,342 15 0 |  |
| Deduct amount paid by other parties ... .. |                                   |   |         |          |              |  |                   |   |      |         | 545 0 0     |  |
|  |                                   |   |         |          |              |  |                   |   |      |         | 26,797 15 0 | Total amount of engagements entered into for road works during financial year ending 31st March, 1875. |

SUMMARY.

12 miles 47 chains of road have been formed and metalled or are in course of completion.  
 26 do 79 do do do or are in course of completion.  
 12 do 52 do do have been metalled, or are in course of being metalled.  
 30 do 15 do of bush have been felled on road lines, or are in course of being felled.

Total amount of expenditure and engagements on account of road work up to 31st March, 1875... £34,286 12 2  
 Total amount for bridges and other works ... .. 77,019 12 7

Grand total ... .. £111,306 4 9

J. D. BAIRD, Provincial Engineer.

## Appendix D.

## MEMORANDA BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

Education Board,

Wellington, 20th April, 1875.

SIR,—

Agreeably to the request conveyed in your letter to the Secretary, dated the 15th inst., I have the honor to forward sundry memoranda, relative to the proceedings of the Education Board since the Report laid before the Provincial Council at its last meeting.

The total revenue of the Board from all sources, for the twelve months up to the 31st March last, has amounted to £12,393 4s., and the expenditure, including the repayment of the Bank overdraft of £1,037 6s. 7d., and an advance made by the Provincial Government of £300 against rates, has amounted to £12,657 4s. 9d., shewing an excess of £264 0s. 9d., being the amount of the present overdraft at the Bank.

At the last meeting of the Provincial Council, the sum of £6,457 was voted for School buildings and Teachers' residences; out of this the sum of £3,228 10s., being one half of the amount voted, has been received by the Board, but only £2,222 18s. 6d. has been actually expended to 31st March, although contracts have been accepted, and liabilities incurred to a very much larger amount.

At the present time there are sixty schools opened under the control of the Board, of which sixteen are conducted on the half time principle; and the number of pupils attending by last return, was 1,870 boys and 1,415 girls, total 3,285, being 226 in excess of last year's attendance. In the management of them, there are engaged 47 head teachers, 29 assistants, and 14 pupil teachers, being an increase of 13 in the staff of teachers since last report. It is proposed to open twelve other schools so soon as suitable buildings can be erected, and eligible teachers obtained. The twelve new schools include—

|                               |                                  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Te Aro,                       | Bonny Glen Junction, Rangitikei, |
| River Cliff,                  | Cluny, Turakina Valley,          |
| Waitotara,                    | Kai Iwi,                         |
| Brunswick,                    | Woodside, Wairarapa,             |
| Morrison's Bush, Wairarapa    | Gladstone            "           |
| Mauriceville                " | Opaki                    "       |

In addition to which, new schools are now being substituted for the old school buildings at Featherston, Greytown, Carterton, Taratahi, Wanganui, Masterton, Makara, Ohariu, Foxton, Turakina, and Wharekaka; and it is further proposed, if funds will permit, to erect schools at such places as Wairoa, Kaikopopu, and others, where buildings are rented temporarily by the Board, but of which they may be dispossessed at short notice.

The present aggregate salaries of all the various teachers amount to £8,305 per annum, being £937 in excess of last year, but this will be considerably increased when the various new schools are opened.

One item of expenditure during the past financial year has been £469 16s. 4d., for rent of buildings used for school purposes, and allowance to teachers for rent, in lieu of residences. This, it is hoped, will be obviated in future, by the erection of the proposed buildings, as enumerated above, and residences for all head teachers of the various schools.

In the Castle Point District, no fixed school has as yet been established, owing to the sparsely scattered population, but an itinerant master, Mr. Vincent, has been engaged in the District for the post of master: and it is intended by the Board to erect a school with sufficient accommodation for boarders, so soon as a suitable site can be procured and one which will suit the general convenience of the District.

I have, &amp;c.,

A. DE B. BRANDON,

Chairman to the Wellington Education Board.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

## Appendix E.

## ANNUAL REPORT UPON THE WELLINGTON COLLEGE.

Wellington College,  
17th April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report of the College since its removal to the present site in October last:—

The new buildings were opened for the reception of students at the beginning of October, and while the number on the roll previously was forty-two (42), of whom none were boarders; the present number is ninety-three (93), of whom eighteen (18) are boarders, and the number of applications already received indicates a still further increase next term. These figures are, I think, sufficient evidence that the advantages afforded by the College are thoroughly appreciated not only by the inhabitants of the City, but by the whole Province; several of the boarders coming from the Wairarapa, Wanganui, and other up-country districts.

In order to render these advantages available to all, the Governors have established four Scholarships at the College, which are open to all boys of twelve years old and upwards coming from any primary school in the Province. The first of these scholarships was offered for competition in December last, and was gained, after a very close contest, by Mr. W. H. Field, from Wanganui. There are also two scholarships, founded by the munificent gift of W. Turnbull, Esq., who devoted £1000 to that purpose, of the annual value of £25 each, tenable for four years by students of the College, whether boarders or day boys, who have matriculated as students of the New Zealand University.

Thus a boy of the requisite ability, from whatever part of the Province, or from whatever rank in life he may come, may obtain as high an education as the Colony can offer almost entirely free of all charge.

There are also the scholarships given by the New Zealand University, for which the students of this College are, in common with others, eligible; and it is a hopeful sign that no less than seven candidates from this College have entered for the next scholarship examination in May.

The establishment of Wellington as a centre for the Cambridge Local Examination, affords a great additional advantage to all schools in this Province, by enabling us to test our work by a much wider and more efficient standard than would be otherwise within our reach.

The lectures in physical science by Professor Kirk are also a very important feature in our curriculum, and with a view of rendering them still more efficient a museum is in course of formation, which only requires some additional outlay to render it thoroughly satisfactory for teaching purposes.

The papers of the students in this branch were submitted to Dr. Hector, and were pronounced by him very satisfactory; and the College generally was examined at Christmas last by the Rev. Mr. Elwyn, late fellow of Pembroke College, Cambridge, who gave a very favorable report of the work done.

The new buildings have now undergone the test of six months' use, and have proved entirely satisfactory, as far as they go; but there is very urgent need for increased accommodation in several ways. The space available for boarders is already all taken up, and it has even been found necessary to encroach on the class-rooms.

The offices are not nearly large enough even for present requirements; and there is very pressing need for a sanatorium, and also a covered play-ground, the want of both of which is a very great detriment, not only to the comfort, but also to the health of the boys.

I have, &c.,

KENNETH WILSON, M.A.,

Principal.

To His Honor W. Fitzherbert, Esq., C.M.G.,  
Superintendent of Wellington,  
Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Wellington College.

## Appendix F.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PROVINCIAL SURGEON, WITH REPORT OF ARCHITECT TO HOSPITAL TRUSTEES ATTACHED.

Provincial Hospital,  
Wellington, 10th April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward my Annual Report upon this Hospital:—

During the past year the advent of a large number of immigrants, not only from Europe, but also from neighbouring colonies, has materially increased the work of this institution, and it is only by the increased accommodation afforded by the erection of temporary buildings, that the constantly increasing calls upon my resources can be met; I am much indebted to the Trustees of the Hospital for their prompt action in erecting these buildings, upon my representing the absolute necessity for them; these new wards will enable me to admit eighteen more patients than I could last year, and thus I hope to provide for the coming winter, during which season the calls for admission are always more numerous and pressing than at any other time. I am also now able to use one ward for fevers, and as we are at present suffering from a violent epidemic, this convenience is of incalculable benefit to the patients.

Since my last report the Hospital has been provided with a certain and unlimited supply of good water from the City Water Works.

There is no improvement in the state of the old buildings since my last report, but as plans for a new Hospital have been prepared and tenders for its erection, I believe, are to be immediately called for, I do not think it necessary to remark further on this point.

Mrs. Green, who has held the position of nurse since the establishment of the Hospital in Wellington, finding, after twenty-four years constant service, that advancing age prevents her fulfilling her duties to her own satisfaction, has notified her wish to retire, and as she has not been able to make any provision for her declining years, she leaves her case to the liberal consideration of the Government. Younger and more active nursing is required, and in my estimate for the coming year I have provided for it.

I have great pleasure in supporting Mrs. Green's appeal, as she has been for so many years an industrious and faithful servant.

I feel it to be my duty to report that the out-door patients are becoming a great and rapidly increasing anxiety to me. Thus constant encroachments are made upon my own time and also upon my assistant, Mr. Monteith, by calls to attend upon patients outside the Hospital. No provision has ever been made in Wellington for medical attendance upon the sick and poor at their own homes. This extra work is a serious impediment to the performance of the legitimate duties of the Hospital, and will remain a severe tax upon me and my assistant until a city dispensary or some other charitable institution be established to do this work.

The accompanying table shows the number of patients admitted during the year ending on the 31st day of March last:—

| Admitted. |    | Discharged. |    | Died. |    | In Hospital 31st March. |    |       |    |
|-----------|----|-------------|----|-------|----|-------------------------|----|-------|----|
|           |    |             |    |       |    | 1874.                   |    | 1875. |    |
| M.        | F. | M.          | F. | M.    | F. | M.                      | F. | M.    | F. |
| 135       | 30 | 114         | 24 | 14    | 1  | 30                      | 4  | 33    | 7  |

The number of out-door patients who received advice and medicines, for terms varying from one week to three months, during the years ending 31st March, 1874, was 566; and 31st March, 1875, was 930.

I have, &c.,

ALEXANDER JOHNSTON, M.D.,  
Provincial Surgeon.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

## PROPOSED NEW HOSPITAL, WELLINGTON.

SIR,—

Wellington, 23rd April, 1875.

I have the honor to lay before you a description of proposed new Hospital, Wellington. The description is rather lengthy, but I hope worthy of your Honor's perusal.

I have, &amp;c.,

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

C. JULIUS TOXWARD.

THE grounds occupy about ten acres, are situated on a rising surface, with plenty of fall for drainage, and are well sheltered from the south-east winds by a range of hills. The situation is a little beyond the Lunatic Asylum, and the grounds are entered by a road through a Government Reserve on the Adelaide Road. The main building has a frontage towards the west of about 280 feet in length, by a depth of 160 feet. The whole of the buildings are to be constructed of brick and cement in the most substantial manner.

The centre part of the building is to be two stories high, and measures 43 feet in height, surrounded with a balustrade from the upper floor. An entrance leads out to the top of porchway, also surrounded by a balustrade. The lower part of this building is for administrative offices, and the upper floor as a residence for the resident medical officer, the other parts to be one story all through. The plans are on the best approved principle, being on the Pasillion system, with abundance of light and ventilation.

The main entrance is entered by a covered porchway, 16 feet wide, 20 feet long, and 20 feet high. On entering the hall, the main entrance is 12 feet wide by 38 feet long, divided by swing doors and large lights; to the left, are the doctor's private consulting and examination rooms: on the right, waiting room and dispensary. Immediately on the right on entering the first lobby, a staircase leads to the upper floor.

Passing through the hall, a corridor is met with, running at right angles to the hall, measuring 280 feet in length, 12 feet in width, and 18 feet high. On the west side of corridor, and north and south of the two story building, are two private wards, each containing two ward-rooms for two beds each, and attendants room; each ward has a fireplace and bath room, also earth closet. The corridor is lit at each end by two circular headed windows, 7 feet wide, and 14 feet high; in addition to this, are six large circular headed windows; each side of corridor has three pairs of double doors leading to the promenading grounds; from this side of corridor, entrances are made to four large wards running at right angles, measuring 24 feet in width, 80 feet in length, and 20 feet high, having 12 large circular headed windows. The square portions of these windows are double hung, and the circular part hinged, so as to regulate the current of air. In addition, five fresh air flues are introduced under the floor, with corresponding outlets for foul air near the ceiling line, in the brick walls. Each ward has a fireplace and attendant's private room and scullery, so arranged as to observe the whole of the wards; the outside spaces between each of these wards are 52 feet wide, and 104 feet in length, having covered-in verandahs 8 feet wide all round, with concrete floors. These grounds are to be laid out for the promenading of patients, and will be formed into lawns, and planted with shrubs; in the centre of each a fountain could be erected. At the opposite ends of the large wards, and at the distance of 104 feet, running parallel to the main corridor, are two smaller corridors, 8 feet wide, and 140 feet long, leading to two dining rooms, each 16 feet by 30 feet, and 16 feet high; at the back of which, but disconnected with the dining rooms, are kitchen 33 feet long, 20 feet wide, and 16 feet high. In connection with that, is another block of building 36 feet long, and 33 feet wide, containing scullery and copper store rooms, and two bed-rooms for cooks; at the back of these offices, in enclosed yard, coal shed, ash pit, and water-closets.

From smaller corridor, two buildings are entered, containing two plunge and two steam baths, with boiler rooms; also four other buildings 27 feet by 22 feet, and 12 feet high, each containing a passage in the centre, lavatories, hot and cold baths, and three compartments for earth closets, urinals, &c. The whole of these buildings are well lighted and ventilated, and form altogether, a compact quadrangular building.

Abundance of hot and cold water will be laid on, and the whole of the buildings will be lighted with gas.

Detached, and at some distance from the main block of buildings, are the infectious or fever wards, for eight beds, measuring 32 feet long, 22 feet wide, and 20 feet high, with six large windows, and ventilated on the same principle as the large wards. In connection with these fever wards, is a front lobby, attendant's kitchen, lavatory, earth closets and urinals.

At some further distance is a building 42 feet long, 20 feet wide, and 15 feet high, containing dead house, *post mortem* examination room, fumigating room, and foul linen store. In addition to the above, are two buildings, each 34 feet long, and 17 feet wide, one containing wash-house with boiler, washing troughs, and laundry rooms. The other

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fitted for hospital stores, to contain linen, blankets, and store for patients' wardrobes whilst in the Hospital.

All timber in floors and roofs is to be kauri, with the exception of the doors and windows; no other woodwork will be introduced in the wards and principal parts of the building.

As a matter of cleanliness, all skirtings and architraves throughout, will be made in Keen's cement.

All walls and ceilings throughout to be plastered.

The whole of the roofs will be covered with felt and stout corrugated iron.

The appearance will be of an imposing character. Among many benefits which the public will receive from such a complete institution, is one of immense service, namely, the fact that the Hospital will contain 112 beds, that number will entitle the Wellington Hospital to become a recognised Hospital, having the number of beds required by the Examining Board of the United Kingdom; which will enable young men to commence their studies for the medical profession in New Zealand, instead of having to go to England.

Wellington, N.Z.

C. JULIUS TOXWARD,  
Architect.

## Appendix G.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF MOUNT VIEW ASYLUM.

Mount View Asylum,

Wellington, 1st April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward you the second Annual Report of the Lunatic Asylum, which shows that the number of inmates is steadily and lately rapidly increasing, so much so that the present accommodation will probably be only barely sufficient by the end of the present financial year.

The principal additions required will be to the back premises, and some single dormitories to the front. The present staff of attendants would suffice for about 60 patients, so that the increased expenditure would be chiefly for maintenance.

The number of inmates on the 1st of April, 1874, was 44, twenty-two of each sex. The number at present is 52, 27 females and 25 males.

Ten fresh cases have been received during the last three months, one of whom is out on leave with his friends.

The large number of incurables is owing to the majority consisting of aged infirm imbeciles, who might safely be placed in a benevolent institution, being unable from infirmities to obtain their living. In addition, there are several more or less paralysed and others epileptic, also several cases of relapse, others suffering from hereditary insanity, and 3 congenital idiots.

The general health of nearly all the patients is very good, with the exception of one, who is suffering from tubercular disease of the mesenteric glands.

Although there are generally 6 or 7 under medical treatment, no serious bodily disease has prevailed since the Asylum was opened two years ago.

Of the patients who have died, one was accidentally killed by a fall of earth, one from convulsions and paralysis, the result of an injury to the head many years ago. Another from general paresis, and another from old age, being upwards of seventy years. These were all males, no females having died in the present Asylum.

The patients are generally cheerful and appear quite contented with their position, and I have every reason to believe that they are considerately and kindly treated.

The men are employed forming an orchard, gardening, and levelling several inequalities of the ground, especially in front of the building. One is at present acting as a rough carpenter, another in working up canvas for several useful purposes. They amuse themselves with billiards, chess, draughts, quoits, cricket, reading, and usually by dancing and singing on every Wednesday evening, occasionally accompanied with the display of a good magic lantern or a concert and amusing readings.

The women are employed in making, washing, and mending their own clothes and the men's, and all the men's hose are knitted by them. In addition they keep the wards and corridors clean, under supervision of attendants.

They amuse themselves by excursions with the attendants, swinging, croquet, bizzique, reading, and attending the amusements in the Recreation Hall.

The Sunday services are well attended, only having been once disturbed.

Convalescents of both sexes constantly accompany either the master, matron, or an attendant in a vehicle belonging to Mr. Seager. The patients consider this the greatest treat they can obtain, and if a larger trap and suitable horse or horses were supplied, a greater number might participate in it.

They are also much pleased by being taken to the various sports given in the Cricket Ground, to which they have always been allowed free admission by the Manager upon Mr. Seager's application. A few have occasionally attended the dramatic and musical performances given in town.

As the recreation fund has been expended chiefly in purchase of a billiard-table, magic lantern, and other amusing appliances, I think it might be advantageously supplemented by an annual grant in aid, £50 would be sufficient.

Of the improvements to the appliances of the Asylum during the year, the most notable are the addition of a larger cooking stove, the reception of one of Hooper's invalid bedsteads and a water mattress, especially useful for those patients suffering from general paresis, and also of Paley's feeding apparatuses.

The principal requirements are the laying on of gas and water, with sufficient pressure to command any part of the buildings in case of fire.

The two wells yield an ample supply of perfectly pure water, the only objection being the necessity of pumping.

Some of the outer fencing requires renewing, having been accidentally burnt and stray cattle are very annoying.

I have, &c.,  
 CHARLES FRANCE,  
 Medical Officer.

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

GENERAL STATEMENT, APRIL 1st, 1875, MOUNT VIEW ASYLUM.

| AMOUNT OF ACCOMMODATION.     |  |                 |             | PATIENTS IN 1874-75.                    |    |    |    |                           |   |   |     |                             |    |    |   |                       |    |    |    |                             |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------|-------------|---|----|----|----|---------------------------|---|---|-----|-----------------------------|----|----|---|-----------------------|----|----|----|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Number of Wards.             | Aggregate Number of Cubic Feet in Wards. | Number of Beds. |             | Remaining in Asylum on 1st April, 1874. |    |    |    | Admitted during the year. |   |   |     | Discharged during the year. |    |    |   | Died during the year. |    |    |    | Remaining on April 1, 1875. |  |  |  | Number of those who having entered before 1st April, 1874, still remain. |
|                              |  | For Males.      | For Female. | M                                       | F  | M  | F  | M                         | F | M | F   | M                           | F  | M  | F | M                     | F  | M  | F  |                             |  |  |  |  |
| Day Wards ... .. 4           | 21,300                                   |                 |             | M                                       | F  | M  | F  | M                         | F | M | F   | M                           | F  | M  | F | M                     | F  | M  | F  |                             |  |  |  |  |
| Associated Night Wards ... 7 | 22,200                                   |                 |             |   |    |    |    |                           |   |   |     |                             |    |    |   |                       |    |    |    |                             |  |  |  |  |
| Single Night Wards ... 26    | 20,800                                   | 28              | 28          | 22                                      | 22 | 11 | 12 | 4                         | 7 | 4 | ... | 25                          | 27 | 10 | 4 | 15                    | 23 | 16 | 19 |                             |  |  |  |  |
| Total ... .. 37              | 64,300                                   |                 |             |   |    |    |    |                           |   |   |     |                             |    |    |   |                       |    |    |    |                             |  |  |  |  |

TABLE OF ADMISSIONS during the YEAR from APRIL 1st, 1874, to APRIL 1st, 1875.

| NAMES.                      | SEXES. |          | CONDITION.  | DATE OF ADMITTANCE. | DISCHARGE OR DEATH. |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                             | MALES. | FEMALES. |             |                     |                     |
| Christian Gascoigne ... ..  | ...    | 1        | Dipsomania  | April 15, 1874      | August 8, 1874      |
| Charles Gallagher ... ..    | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | May 30, 1874        | ...                 |
| Kate Jarman ... ..          | ...    | 1        | Mania       | June 29, 1874       | November 21, 1874   |
| Ellen Jane Horran ... ..    | ...    | 1        | Mania       | August 12, 1874     | January 19, 1875    |
| M. Ollivier Perham ... ..   | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | September 1, 1874   | ...                 |
| John Moore ... ..           | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | September 22, 1874  | ...                 |
| Bertha Guybell ... ..       | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | September 22, 1874  | November 14, 1874   |
| George Tonks ... ..         | 1      | ...      | Dipsomania  | September 25, 1874  | November 19, 1874   |
| Elizabeth Forrester ... ..  | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | October 9, 1874     | ...                 |
| Robert S. Shaw ... ..       | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | October 29, 1874    | ...                 |
| Ann Connell ... ..          | ...    | 1        | Mania       | October 31, 1874    | ...                 |
| Gwillian Hurley ... ..      | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | November 27, 1874   | ...                 |
| Louisa Allington ... ..     | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | December 21, 1874   | ...                 |
| Sarah Catley ... ..         | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | January 8, 1875     | ...                 |
| Robert Erskine ... ..       | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | January 11, 1875    | ...                 |
| Henry Hart ... ..           | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | January 11, 1875    | March 18, 1875      |
| David Werner ... ..         | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | January 20, 1875    | ...                 |
| Anna M. Finnimore ... ..    | ...    | 1        | Mania       | January 21, 1875    | ...                 |
| John Evans ... ..           | 1      | ...      | Mania       | January 24, 1875    | ...                 |
| Henry P. Renall ... ..      | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | February 12, 1875   | ...                 |
| St. G. D'Arcy Irvine ... .. | 1      | ...      | Melancholia | February 16, 1875   | ...                 |
| Henry Schultze ... ..       | 1      | ...      | Dementia    | February 16, 1875   | ...                 |
| Susan Pickett ... ..        | ...    | 1        | Dementia    | March 23, 1875      | ...                 |
|                             | 11     | 12       |             |                     |                     |

TABLE OF DISCHARGES and DEATHS during the YEAR from APRIL 1st, 1874, to APRIL 1st, 1875.

| NAMES.                  |        |         | CONDITION.      | DATE OF ADMITTANCE.   | DISCHARGE OR DEATH.    |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|                         | MALES. | FEMALES |                 |                       |                        |
| Henry Preston ...       | 1      | ...     | Mania ...       | January 23, 1873      | DIED April 24, 1874    |
| Elizabeth Forrester ... | ...    | 1       | Mania ...       | December 22, 1873...  | May 11, 1874           |
| John Gooder ...         | 1      | ...     | Mania ...       | March 30, 1874 ...    | May 30, 1874           |
| Margaret Jones ...      | ...    | 1       | Dementia ...    | October 29, 1872 ...  | June 1, 1874           |
| Joseph Sergeant ...     | 1      | ...     | Dementia ...    | May 29, 1873 ...      | DIED June 29, 1874     |
| Henry Moser ...         | 1      | ...     | Dementia ...    | October 24, 1873 ...  | DIED July 19, 1874     |
| Mary Luxford ...        | ...    | 1       | Melancholia ... | May 22, 1873 ...      | August 4, 1874         |
| Christian Gascoigne ... | ...    | 1       | Dipsomania ...  | April 15, 1874 ...    | August 8, 1874         |
| Frank Renall ...        | 1      | ...     | Mania ...       | March 4, 1874 ...     | October 15, 1874       |
| Bertha Guybell ...      | ...    | 1       | Dementia ...    | September 22, 1874... | November 14, 1874      |
| George Tonks ...        | 1      | ...     | Dipsomania ...  | September 25, 1874... | November 19, 1874      |
| Kate Jarman ...         | ...    | 1       | Mania ...       | June 29, 1874 ...     | November 21, 1874      |
| Wm. Farquharson ...     | 1      | ...     | Dementia ...    | July 3, 1873 ...      | DIED December 19, 1874 |
| Ellen Jane Horran ...   | ...    | 1       | Mania ...       | August 12, 1874 ...   | January 9, 1875        |
| Henry Hart ...          | 1      | ...     | Dementia ...    | January 11, 1875 ...  | March 18, 1875         |
|                         | 8      | 7       |                 |                       |                        |

## CLASSIFICATION, APRIL 1ST., 1875.

| No.      | NAMES.                     | AGE | CONDITION.                | DATE OF ADMITTANCE.   | REMARKS.               |
|----------|----------------------------|-----|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| MALES—   |                            |     |                           |                       |                        |
| 1        | Alexander McIntyre ...     | 52  | Dementia ...              | January 1, 1854 ...   | Incurable              |
| 2        | William Blake ...          | 42  | " ...                     | January 31, 1858 ...  | Incurable ; hereditary |
| 3        | John Curtis ...            | 38  | Idiocy ...                | April 5, 1864 ...     | Congenital             |
| 4        | Thomas Coffee ...          | 48  | Dementia ...              | November 1, 1864 ...  | Incurable ; relapse    |
| 5        | Martin Higgins ...         | 53  | " ...                     | June 12, 1866 ...     | Incurable              |
| 6        | J. E. F. Briscoe ...       | 34  | " ...                     | November 28, 1868...  | Doubtful               |
| 7        | John McKenzie ...          | 44  | " ...                     | February 15, 1869 ... | Incurable ; paralytic  |
| 8        | A. W. Wilson ...           | 30  | " ...                     | October 25, 1870 ...  | Incurable              |
| 9        | Alfred Webb ...            | 27  | " ...                     | October 27, 1870 ...  | Incurable              |
| 10       | James Hornby ...           | 53  | " ...                     | October 9, 1872 ...   | Incurable ; relapse    |
| 11       | Max Kochs ...              | 42  | " ...                     | January 4, 1873 ...   | Incurable ; paralytic  |
| 12       | John Ellis ...             | 57  | " ...                     | May 29, 1873 ...      | Incurable              |
| 13       | James Conors ...           | 46  | " ...                     | October 2, 1873 ...   | Doubtful               |
| 14       | George Gilbraith ...       | 12  | Idiocy ...                | October 4, 1873 ...   | Congenital             |
| 15       | Edward Edwards ...         | 34  | Dementia ...              | January 9, 1874 ...   | Doubtful               |
| 16       | Benjamin Hunt ...          | 36  | " ...                     | March 26, 1874 ...    | Incurable ; epileptic  |
| 17       | Charles Gallagher ...      | 25  | " ...                     | May 30, 1874 ...      | Curable                |
| 18       | John Moore ...             | 45  | " ...                     | September 22, 1874... | Incurable ; paralytic  |
| 19       | Robert S. Shaw ...         | 26  | " ...                     | October 29, 1874 ...  | Doubtful               |
| 20       | Robert Erskine ...         | 29  | " ...                     | January 11, 1875 ...  | Curable                |
| 21       | David Werner ...           | 29  | " ...                     | January 20, 1875 ...  | Epileptic              |
| 22       | John Evans ...             | 54  | " ...                     | January 24, 1875 ...  | Curable                |
| 23       | Henry P. Renall ...        | 27  | " ...                     | February 12, 1875 ... | Doubtful               |
| 24       | St. Geo. D'Arcy Irvine ... | 20  | Suicidal, melancholia ... | February 16, 1875 ... | Curable                |
| 25       | Henry Schultze ...         | 30  | Dementia ...              | February 16, 1875 ... | Doubtful               |
| FEMALES— |                            |     |                           |                       |                        |
| 1        | Helen Lenihan ...          | 67  | Dementia ...              | April 18, 1856 ...    | Incurable ; relapse    |
| 2        | Rebecca Parnell ...        | 47  | Mania ...                 | January 17, 1857 ...  | Incurable              |
| 3        | Mary Lee ...               | 57  | Dementia ...              | March 19, 1858 ...    | Incurable              |
| 4        | Mary Smith ...             | 57  | " ...                     | January 10, 1860 ...  | Incurable              |
| 5        | Anne McDermott ...         | 41  | Mania ...                 | December 17, 1861...  | Incurable ; hereditary |
| 6        | Margaret Irvine ...        | 47  | " ...                     | February 6, 1862 ...  | Incurable              |
| 7        | Mary Noble ...             | 49  | Dementia ...              | March 13, 1865 ...    | Incurable              |
| 8        | Jane Mason ...             | 55  | " ...                     | February 2, 1866 ...  | Incurable              |
| 9        | Mary Robertson ...         | 40  | " ...                     | April 22, 1866 ...    | Incurable              |
| 10       | Jane Moore ...             | 43  | " ...                     | June 21, 1872 ...     | Incurable ; hereditary |
| 11       | Kate Hickley ...           | 31  | " ...                     | June 21, 1872 ...     | Incurable              |
| 12       | Mary Ann Walshe ...        | 33  | " ...                     | October 28, 1872 ...  | Doubtful               |
| 13       | Elizabeth Moore ...        | 37  | " ...                     | May 24, 1873 ...      | Incurable ; relapse    |
| 14       | Letitia Atkinson ...       | 38  | " ...                     | May 29, 1873 ...      | Incurable ; chronic    |
| 15       | Eliza Skerington ...       | 36  | Melancholia ...           | June 9, 1873 ...      | Doubtful               |
| 16       | Mary Ann Cook ...          | 24  | Dementia ...              | July 15, 1873 ...     | Incurable ; epileptic  |
| 17       | Mary Gilbraith ...         | 8   | Idiocy ...                | October 4, 1873 ...   | Congenital             |
| 18       | Elizabeth Bampton ...      | 58  | Dementia ...              | January 9, 1874 ...   | Paralytic              |
| 19       | Anna Wratt ...             | 64  | " ...                     | January 29, 1874 ...  | Doubtful ; relapse     |
| 20       | Marion O'Perham ...        | 28  | " ...                     | September 1, 1874 ... | Doubtful ; relapse     |
| 21       | Elizabeth Forrester ...    | 67  | " ...                     | October 19, 1874 ...  | Incurable ; hereditary |
| 22       | Ann Connell ...            | 30  | Mania ...                 | October 31, 1874 ...  | Incurable ; recurrent  |
| 23       | Gwillian Hurley ...        | 61  | Dementia ...              | November 27, 1874...  | Doubtful               |
| 24       | Louisa Allington ...       | 29  | " ...                     | December 21, 1874...  | Incurable ; chronic    |
| 25       | Sarah Catley ...           | 65  | " ...                     | January 8, 1875 ...   | Incurable ; relapse    |
| 26       | Anna M. Finimore ...       | 54  | Mania ...                 | January 21, 1875 ...  | Incurable ; relapse    |
| 27       | Susan Pickett ...          | 23  | Dementia ...              | March 23, 1875 ...    | Curable                |

## Appendix H.

## REPORT OF THE IMMIGRATION OFFICER.

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Immigration Office,  
Wellington, 16th April, 1875.

SIR,—

Herewith, I have the honor to transmit an approximate return showing the distribution of immigrants who have arrived at the Port of Wellington between the 1st April, 1874, and 31st March, 1875, and in doing so, I take the opportunity of making the following remarks :—

I learn from the Registrar-General that the excess of births over deaths within the Province during the period above stated, has been 1,016, and the excess of arrivals over departures, 6,397, leaving an increase to the population of the Province from all sources, of 7,413 souls.

With regard to the capability of the Province for the absorption of immigrants, I can only say that the demand for labor of all classes is as great as ever, notwithstanding the number of people introduced, and from the return annexed, it will be observed that a large number of Immigrants arrived between the months of June and December, which period being an unprecedentedly wet one, greatly retarded all agricultural pursuits and public works; still no serious difficulty was experienced in disposing of the immigrants.

Depôts have been established at Featherston, Greytown, Masterton, Foxton, Palmerston, Bull's, Marton, and Wanganui, which greatly facilitates the distribution of immigrants in the Country Districts. Cottages for renting to immigrants have also been erected at Featherston, Greytown, and Masterton, and the Old Stockade at Wanganui, has been utilised for a similar purpose.

The economical working of the Immigration Department in this Province, is due in a great measure to the interest taken by many of the settlers in the country in disposing of immigrants sent to them, and also to the cordial co-operation of the local officers of the Provincial Government.

I have, &c.,

H. J. H. ELLIOTT,

Immigration Officer.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

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APPROXIMATE RETURN shewing distribution of IMMIGRANTS from Port of Wellington between 1st April, 1874, and 31st March, 1875.

| NAMES OF VESSELS.                        | DATE.         | DISTRIBUTION.    |          |            |           |         |                 |                | REMARKS.   |
|--|---------------|------------------|----------|------------|-----------|---------|-----------------|----------------|--|
|  |               | Wellington City. | Hutt &c. | Wairarapa. | Wanganui. | Foxton. | Out of Province | Total arrived. |  |
|  | 1874.         |                  |          |            |           |         |                 |                |  |
|  | April ...     | Nil.             |          |            |           |         |                 |                |  |
| Golden Sea, Wellington, and La Hogue ... | May ...       | 423              | 58       | 104        | 244       | 197     | 75              | 1101           | Golden Sea was Quarantined.<br>These two Vessels did not come to Wellington. |
| Buckinghamshire and Oxford ...           | June ...      | 17               | 7        | 30         | ...       | ...     | ..              | 54             |  |
| Waikato ...                              | July ...      | 106              | 11       | 35         | 62        | 24      | 129             | 367            | Reichstag had all Scandinavians.<br><br>Both placed in Quarantine.           |
| Conflict, Reichstag, and Euterpe ...     | August ...    | 444              | 35       | 144        | 273       | 155     | 156             | 1207           |  |
| Strathnaver ...                          | September ... | 77               | 13       | 58         | 112       | 8       | 121             | 389            |  |
| Cartvale and Douglas ...                 | October ...   | 282              | 39       | 110        | 217       | 110     | 125             | 883            |  |
| Star of India ...                        | November ...  | 123              | 10       | 60         | 75        | 49      | 55              | 372            |  |
| Howrah and Soukar ...                    | December ...  | 301              | 43       | 76         | 89        | ...     | 290             | 799            |  |
|  | 1875.         |                  |          |            |           |         |                 |                |  |
| Avalanche ...                            | January ...   | 31               | 2        | 6          | 13        | 5       | 10              | 67             | Humboldt had all Scandinavians. Berar placed in Quarantine.                  |
| Carnatic, Humboldt, and Berar...         | February ...  | 200              | 25       | 151        | 163       | 189     | 120             | 848            |  |
| Dallam Tower ...                         | March ...     | 50               | 6        | 37         | 58        | 3       | 103             | 257            |  |
| Totals ...                               |               | 2054             | 249      | 811        | 1306      | 740     | 1184            | 6344           |  |

NOTE.—Of the above numbers, 679 were introduced by the Emigrant and Colonists Aid Corporation, and 106 were nominated by friends in the Province.

## Appendix I.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF POLICE.

Police Office,

SIR,—

Wellington, 3rd April, 1875.

I have the honor to submit the following Report on the state of the Police Force of this Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1875.

The numerical strength of the Force on the 31st of March last was as follows:—Inspector, two first-class Sergeants, three second-class Sergeants, and twenty-eight Constables.

There has been a slight increase of crime during the past year over that of the previous year. The total number of cases sent up to the Supreme Court at Wellington and Wanganui for trial, during the past year, amounted to thirty-six, as against twenty-three for the previous year.

The offences have been of a varied description, and the offenders generally had no previous knowledge of each other, which circumstances show that there is no organised gang of offenders in our community.

The country districts, during the past year, have furnished a few offences of more than usual seriousness; but, taking into consideration the great increase to the population in the various districts, the comparatively isolated cases of crime which have been recorded show, in my opinion, that the country districts are enjoying their usual prosperity and immunity from crime. On my recent visit to the various police stations in the eastern and western districts, abundant evidence of the good order and prosperity of the settlers came under my notice.

A want that was much felt at Greytown has recently been supplied. I refer to the erection of a substantial and conveniently-built police station and lock-up in that district.

A suitable station and lockup have also been erected in Carterton, and a constable will shortly be appointed to that district.

At Feilding, where there is a large and increasing population, a lock-up has also been erected, and a constable will shortly be appointed to that district.

At Wanganui, a station and lock-up in the vicinity of the Court House is much needed. The gaol there at present serves for the purposes of a lock-up as well, but the situation of the building (on the top of a high hill) is very inconvenient, apart from other considerations.

I trust that it will not be considered that I am travelling out of my province in calling attention to the too prevalent offence of wife and children desertion, and the inadequacy of the law for punishing cowardly men, who, without warning, leave their wives and children in a state of destitution. The result of this is, that the Government are almost always compelled to assist in supporting their abandoned families. I have reason to believe that this Province is not singular in this matter, and that every Province in New Zealand would hail with satisfaction any amendment in the "Destitute Persons' Relief Ordinance" (a measure passed by the General Legislature in 1846), that would provide such severe punishment for unnatural fathers and husbands as would act as a deterrent.

The fact of several instances of waggon drivers and persons in charge of other vehicles, during the past year, having been found in a state of intoxication, thereby endangering their own lives, and also the lives of others, as well as the possible injury to property, suggests, in a marked degree, the desirableness of an amendment being made to the present "Traffic on Highways Act," which would give power to the Magistrates to inflict a severe penalty, by fine or imprisonment, on any person who shall be convicted of drunkenness, while in charge of any such vehicles.

In looking back upon the year's experience, I feel that it is due to the members of the Force generally to record the fact that very few of the crimes committed have been undetected, the result of diligence and attention to their duties,

With reference to the Estimates for the year 1875-76, I have deemed it prudent to estimate for three additional constables for the city, one for Carterton, and one for Feilding.

I have, &amp;c.,

FREDERICK ATCHISON,

Inspector of Police.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

## Appendix K.

## ANNUAL REPORT ON WELLINGTON GAOL.

Wellington Gaol,

8th April, 1875.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward, for your information, the following Report relative to this department for the year commencing the 1st April, 1874, and ending the 31st March, 1875.

There have been 467 males and 59 females committed to this gaol during the year ending 31st December, 1874 (to which date the returns forwarded herewith are made up as required by the General Government), making a total of 526, as against 232 in the year 1872, and 396 in 1873. This shows a steady increase, which may naturally be expected to continue, in consequence of the large number of persons constantly arriving in this province. The offences, fortunately, have not been of a serious character, and generally short sentences have been awarded, but at times the want of increased accommodation has been greatly felt.

During the last three months there has been a very large increase, more particularly in the number of females charged with drunkenness and breaches of the Vagrant Act, and that part of the building appropriated to their use has been very much overcrowded; but the new building now in course of erection will, when completed, afford sufficient accommodation, and enable me to classify them in the future, but additional accommodation is urgently required, and must be provided, for the male prisoners.

The general conduct of all classes of prisoners has been very good, only three having been brought before the Visiting Justices for breaches of prison discipline during the year.

There has been no escape or attempt to escape.

The general health has been very good. There has been no disease or death.

The Venerable Archdeacon Stock and the Rev. Father Petit Jean have regularly performed divine service on Sundays. On such occasions the behaviour of the prisoners has been most attentive and orderly.

The boots, for both male and female prisoners, have been made in the gaol, as heretofore, by prisoners who have been taught the trade here. A small supply of men's boots has been furnished to the Asylum by direction of the Provincial Secretary, and they have been found far superior, both in strength and durability, to those obtained from other places.

The gaol grounds have been very much improved. The greater portion fronting to Woolcombe-street has been dug and trenched to a depth of three feet, nearly three hundred evergreen conifers have been planted, and not more than twenty have failed; the remainder are doing well, and already materially add to the appearance of this part of the town.

The male prisoners sentenced to penal servitude and hard labor, have been employed for one hundred and sixty-five (165) days in levelling and improving the grounds of the Wellington College, and forming and metalling the roads leading thereto. They have also been employed for ninety-six (96) days in improving the grounds of the Lunatic Asylum, burning and clearing away large quantities of furze, and forming the approaches to the Asylum from the Adelaide Road, and are now engaged in levelling the site for the proposed additions to the gaol.

The female prisoners have been employed in making the prison clothing for themselves, picking oakum, and washing and repairing the whole of the clothing and bedding in use at the gaol.

The exterior of the Wardens' house, gaol, fences, gates, &c., has been well painted, and all carpenter's work required about the gaol has been done by prison labour.

By strict economy, I have been able to keep the expenditure within the appropriation.

|  | £     | s. | d. |
|--|-------|----|----|
| Appropriation ... ..   | 2,205 | 17 | 6  |
| Expenditure, including a sum of £71 6s. 6d. for repairs ... .. | 2,184 | 15 | 3  |
| Unexpended Balance ... ..                                      | £21   | 2  | 3  |

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|--|--------|----|---|
| Value of labor at Asylum ... ..  | 488    | 8  | 0 |
| "    "    College ... ..   | 839    | 8  | 9 |
| Making clothing for female prisoners, and washing<br>and repairing the whole of the Gaol clothing<br>and bedding ... ..          | 200    | 0  | 0 |
| One Cook, two Wardsmen, two Assistant Wardsmen,<br>and one Laborer, 2190 days, at 3s. 6d. per day ...                            | 383    | 15 | 0 |
| One Wardswoman, 365 days, at 1s. 6d. per day ...   | 27     | 7  | 6 |
| Work done by shoemakers and carpenters ...   | 125    | 0  | 0 |
| Painting exterior of Wardens' house, Gaol, fences,<br>gates, &c. ... ..  | 15     | 0  | 0 |
| Metalling and repairing road and approaches to Gaol  | 25     | 0  | 0 |
| Cutting and splitting firewood, sweeping chimneys,<br>emptying cesspools, and whitewashing men's<br>and women's Gaol, &c. ... .. | 50     | 0  | 0 |
| Digging, trenching, and planting Gaol grounds ...  | 120    | 0  | 0 |
| Levelling site for additions to Gaol (to 31st March)   | 75     | 0  | 0 |
| Men's strong boots supplied to Asylum—13 pairs,<br>at 15s. ... ..  | 9      | 15 | 0 |
| Received for rent of cottage on Gaol acre ...  | 13     | 0  | 0 |
| Received for maintenance of Naval prisoners ...  | 9      | 12 | 2 |
| Received for maintenance of debtors ...  | 9      | 0  | 0 |
| Received for picking oakum ... ..  | 14     | 10 | 0 |
|  | <hr/>  |    |   |
| Total cost of maintenance of Gaol ... ..   | £2,404 | 16 | 5 |
|  | <hr/>  |    |   |
| Balance in excess of cost of maintenance ... ..  | 2,184  | 15 | 3 |
|  | <hr/>  |    |   |
|  | £320   | 1  | 2 |

I have, &c.,  
MICAH READ,  
Warden of Gaol.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

## Appendix L.

### ANNUAL REPORT UPON THE HARBOUR DEPARTMENT.

SIR,— Wellington, 21st April, 1875.  
For the information of your Honor and the Provincial Council, I beg to submit the following report:—

#### HARBOUR, WELLINGTON.

During the year 900 vessels, equal to 204,000 tons measurement, arrived in the port without any casualty worth noting occurring, and were accommodated at the Queen's Wharf and at the breastwork, Custom House Quay, without being subject to much inconvenience or serious loss of time, excepting some of the large ships having had to wait ten or twelve days for a discharging berth; this could, however, be remedied by the loading ships being moored in the stream, where they could take in their cargoes with equal dispatch. More wharf accommodation, more particularly for the coasting vessels, would, however, facilitate the trade of the port. New iron buoys and moorings have been laid down off Halswell and Jerningham Points, and the buoys laid down in Evans' Bay, to enable steamers to be swung for the adjustment of their compasses have been overhauled and painted. The harbour boats have also been repaired and painted.

#### PILOT STATION.

The number of ships requiring the services of pilots having increased considerably, it was found necessary to provide a second inward pilot, and Captain Holm was accordingly appointed. The dwelling-houses at the Pilot Station have also undergone extensive repairs this year, the sole plates and lower part of the framing having been found quite rotten; the houses have also been painted, and are now in thorough repair. The boats are also in excellent order, and well fitted for their work; and everything necessary to the efficiency of the service has been supplied.

#### SIGNAL STATION, BEACON HILL.

The dwelling-house of this station has been repaired and painted lately. The signal-staff has also been painted, and the gear refitted; a number of new descriptive signals have been made, and all necessary materials required have been supplied.

## SIGNAL STATION, MOUNT VICTORIA.

The dwelling-house has been repaired and painted recently, also the signal-staff and signals, and the gear rectified. The whole establishment is in good working order.

## LIGHTHOUSE, SOMES' ISLAND.

It is now nearly nine years since this lighthouse was erected, and the light has proved remarkably useful. It was, however, found desirable to introduce kerosene lamps, on account of procuring a more powerful and economical light. Orders were accordingly sent to the manufacturers for the lamps required, but, unfortunately, those sent were found, after a number of trials by practical men, to be so very slightly made that they were quite unfit for a lighthouse, and were consequently returned. This is to be regretted, as the kerosene lamps have proved both serviceable and efficient in other places. The dwelling and lighthouse have been painted lately, and are in thoroughly good order.

## PILOT STATION, WANGANUI.

The buildings at this station are in good repair, and have been painted recently. The flag-staff has also been painted, and the gear refitted, while a new boat and other necessary stores have been supplied.

## PILOT STATION, MANAWATU.

The buildings at this station are in very good repair, also the flag-staff and gear, which have been painted and refitted recently. A new boat and everything necessary for the pilot service have been supplied. A lantern to be hoisted on the flag-staff showing a bright light, similar to the one obtained for Wanganui, has been ordered, and will be of great service to masters of vessels trading to this river. The trade to Manawatu has increased considerably during the past year, and it has in consequence been found necessary to employ a second boatman at this station. The Pilot reports that an average depth of twelve feet has been found on the bar at spring tides for the last eight months.

## RANGITIKEI RIVER.

There are now two steamers and several sailing vessels trading regularly to this river, and, in my opinion, the interest of the district would be promoted by the appointment of a pilot, to be stationed at the mouth of this river.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.

JOHN HOLLIDAY,  
Harbour Mas er.

## Appendix M.

CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO THE SELECTION OF 80,000 ACRES OF  
LAND BY THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

Superintendent's Office,

Wellington, 10th April, 1875.

SIR,—

Referring to my letter of the 6th October last, and to your reply of the 7th of the same month, relative to the selection of 80,000 acres of land in the Seventy-mile Bush Block, to be held as security for the £66,000 advanced under "The Provincial Public Works Advances Act, 1874." I shall be obliged by your informing me when the selection will be made, in order that the Provincial Government may deal with the remainder of the Block.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,  
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Minister for Public Works,  
Wellington.

(No. 148.)

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 22nd April, 1875.

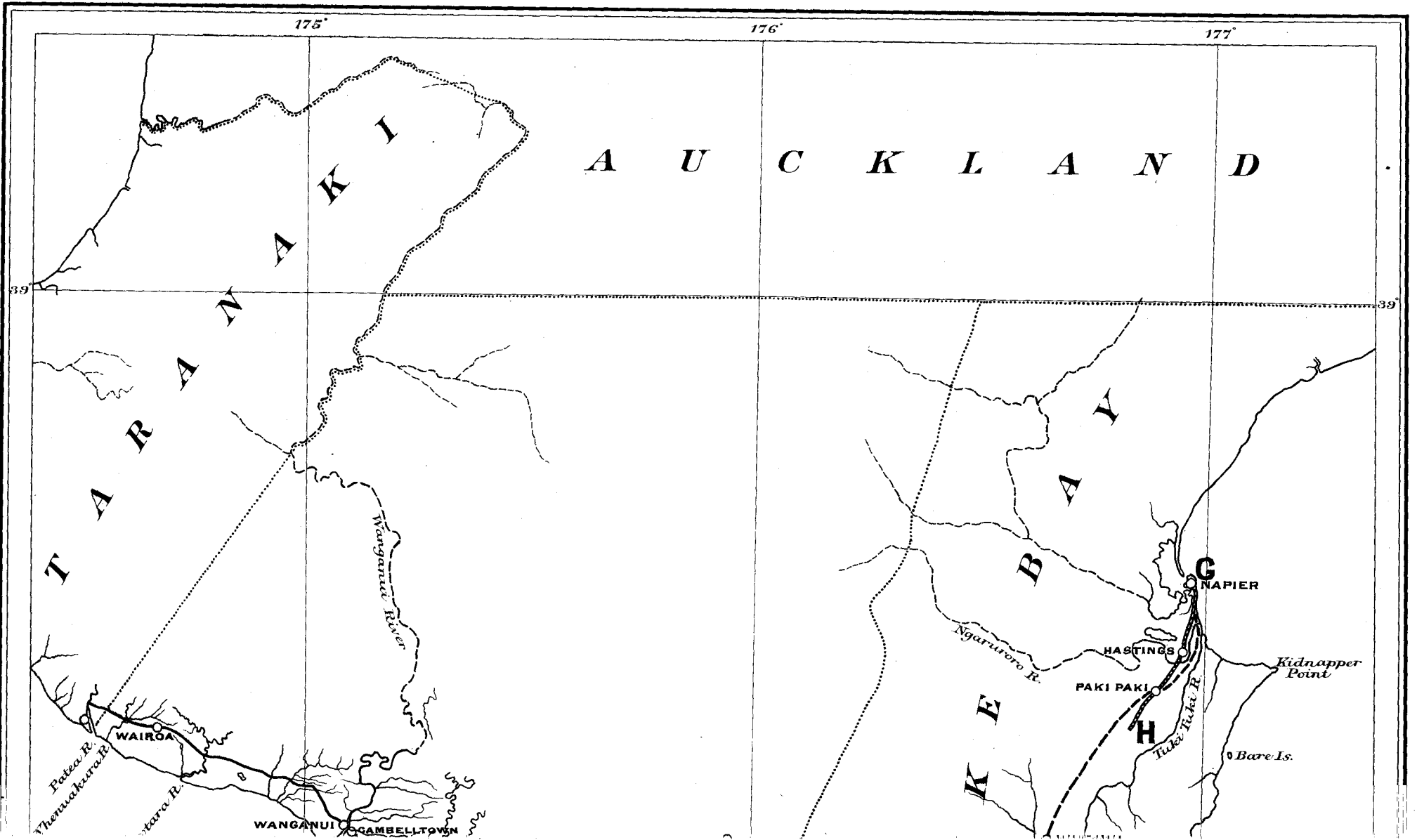
SIR,—

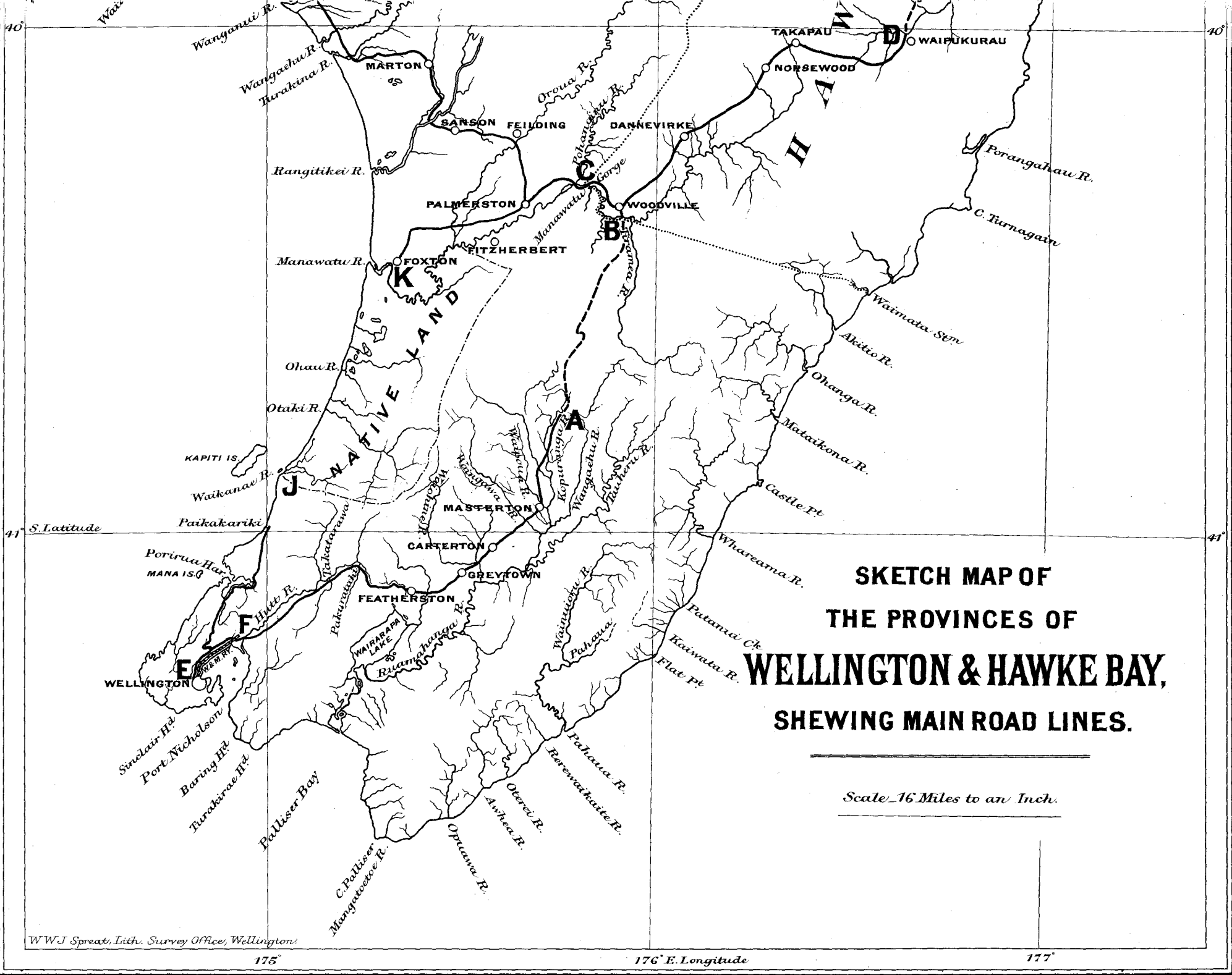
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, addressed to the Minister for Public Works, requesting to be informed when the selection will be made of the 80,000 acres of land in the Seventy-mile bush, to be held as security for the £66,000 advanced under the "Provincial Public Works Advances Act, 1874," and in reply, to inform your Honor that the state of the surveys do not enable me to give a definite reply, but that so soon as they are sufficiently advanced to permit the Government to do so, your Honor shall be informed.

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent,  
Wellington.





**SKETCH MAP OF  
THE PROVINCES OF  
WELLINGTON & HAWKE BAY,  
SHEWING MAIN ROAD LINES.**

*Scale 16 Miles to an Inch.*

*W.W.J. Sprent, Lith. Survey Office, Wellington.*

175°

176° E. Longitude

177°



