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PROCLAMATION.

I, WILLIAM ROLLESTON, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, in virtue of the powers in me vested do hereby proclaim and declare that I have assented, on behalf of the Governor, to the following Ordinance passed by the Provincial Council:—

“The Imprest Supply Ordinance, 1873-4.”

Given under my hand at Christchurch, this 2nd day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

WM. ROLLESTON,
Superintendent.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE PARTNERSHIP at present existing between WILLIAM ROBERT MITCHELL and WILLIAM HALL BURTON, Trading as Mitchell and Burton, Coach Proprietors and Mail Contractors, Christchurch and Hokitika, ceasing on December 31st, 1873, in compliance with the Deed of Partnership, it is requested that all accounts will be rendered for settlement without delay.

(Signed,)

W. R. MITCHELL,

W. H. BURTON.

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Provincial Secretary's Office,
Christchurch, December 31, 1873.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned persons have given notice to the Provincial Secretary, in terms of clause 6 of "The Cattle Driving Ordinance, 1863," intimating their desire that the under-mentioned Runs shall be under the provisions of the said Ordinance:—

Name of Owner or Occupier	Description of Run.
W. B. Rhodes	Ahuriri No. 165
George Edward Rhodes' Executors	Kaituna No. 30
R. H. Rhodes	Purau No. 7

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Christchurch, 2nd January, 1874.

HIS Honor the Superintendent directs the publication of the following Regulations referring to the dimensions of School Furniture, which have been adopted by the Board of Education.

C. H. WILLIAMS,
Acting Under Secretary.

SCHOOL FURNITURE.

BESIDES the ordinary apparatus obtainable at the Depôt, the school furniture should consist of:—

- A large Book-cupboard.
- A Writing-table for the Master.
- A Work-table for the Mistress.
- A Chair to each table.
- Three sets of Desks, three in each set, with forms to suit the desks.

The Book-cupboard should be six feet high, the level top serving as a convenient pedestal for globes, &c.; it should be four feet wide, with a lower and an upper cupboard, each in two compartments; the lower part three feet high, and projecting six inches, should be twenty inches deep, with one movable shelf in each compartment; the upper part fourteen inches deep, with two movable shelves in each compartment; the cupboard secured by lock and key.

The two tables should be uniform, each about three feet by two feet, of the usual height, with two drawers in each table, with lock and key, but no projecting handles.

The chairs, arm-chairs, strongly made.

The Desks.—Three desks make one *set* or *class*. There will, except in large schools, be three sets or classes, in all nine desks.

The desks of the same *set* or *class* must be of equal lengths. Generally, all in the same room are of the same length; but it is not absolutely necessary, although it looks more uniform; but they should be made of lengths to suit the room, or space is lost.

The smallest length for small schools is *six* feet; the largest length is *twelve* feet; the lengths are 6 feet, 7½ feet, 9 feet, 10½ feet, and 12 feet.

Eighteen inches is the *minimum* length of desk-room per child; hence a desk six feet long will take four children; seven and a-half feet five children, and so on.

The alleys for passage between the desks are also eighteen inches each, *at the least*.

Only two alleys are required in a school with three sets of desks; because the end sets go against the walls at each end of the room.

The desks back towards the widows and face the dead wall.

The desks should be made strong and solid, of good, or the best furniture wood, well seasoned, and so as to last for years without *breaking, warping, or getting out of shape*; they should be very firm, not easily shaken or upset; there should be no projecting sleepers to catch the children's feet; the sleepers, if any, should be let into the floor, level with it; if the forms are tied by sleepers to the desk, there should be three inches clear space between each desk and its form.

Each desk should be well tied from end to end, and if of more than six feet in length should have an additional support midway between the ends. The upper part, for the surface, should be smooth well-planed boards of one inch thick when finished; the desk one foot in *level* width, should have a level front of two and a-half inches for the pens, inkwells, &c., and the remainder should have a fall or slope of half-an-inch, *not more*; and there should be no beading or ridge to interfere with the surface and with the free action of the child's arm; inkholes for inkwells should be towards the right hand of each child; there should be a groove of above ten inches to each space of eighteen inches, to leave the pen in when not used; and a slit of twelve inches wide enough to insert the slate, and a book-board below for it to rest on. The book-board the whole length will help to tie the desk; but it should not be the only tie; the book-board should be only nine inches deep, and so as not to inconvenience the knees of the children.

DIMENSIONS OF DESKS.

Dimensions of desks and forms.—*Lengths*: 6 feet, $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet, 9 feet, $10\frac{1}{2}$ feet, and 12 feet, so as to suit the length of the room and leave alleys of 18 inches between every two sets.

Height of desks.—Front desks, 2 feet 2 inches.
Middle „ 2 feet 3 inches.
Back „ 2 feet 5 inches.

Width of desk, 1 foot.

Fall or slope of desk, half-an-inch, *not more*.

Forms.—*Length* to suit desks.

Height of Forms.—Front-desk form, 1 foot 2 inches.
Middle „ „ 1 foot 3 inches.
Back 1 foot 4 inches.

Width of form, 7 inches.

Arrangement.—Along the room facing the dead wall, with alleys of 18 inches between each set. Fourteen inches space for passage along the back row. Seven inches behind each other row. Three inches knee space between each desk and form.

J. P. RESTELL,
Inspector of Schools.

December 15, 1873.

CANTERBURY RAILWAYS.

TRAFFIC RETURN FOR MONTH ENDING NOVEMBER, 1873.

TABLE No. 1.—TONNAGE.

DESCRIPTION.	Tons	1873.						1872.					
		L. & C. R.		G. S. R.		G. N. R.		L. & C. R.		G. S. R.		G. N. R.	
		Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.
Merchandise	...	2,431	580	67	430	93	321	1,413	390	28	183	19	98
Flax	...	—	72	—	—	45	—	—	137	—	—	—	—
Coal	...	1,157	—	—	105	—	660	278	—	—	22	—	175
Iron, &c.	...	491	139	—	328	103	132	160	—	—	50	—	10
Produce	...	1	143	9	39	29	2	—	109	—	16	—	3
Grain—Wheat	...	—	479	316	3	50	17	—	148	99	—	62	47
Barley	...	—	16	—	4	—	—	—	40	2	—	—	—
Oats	...	10	29	51	30	13	1	—	194	90	—	42	—
Flour	...	—	310	43	13	214	5	—	266	3	—	163	—
Firewood	...	87	—	—	12	—	—	158	—	—	3	—	—
Heavy Timber	...	137	10	—	61	10	—	139	—	—	81	—	—
Sawn	...	13,152	168	36	8,619	103	2,056	19,127	—	—	10,474	32	768
Wool	...	3	2,252	1,109	—	645	9	—	1,567	955	—	202	—
Water	...	—	92	—	—	—	—	—	64	—	—	—	—
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	13	21	30	2	9	7	—	—	14	—	4	2

TABLE No. 2.—VALUE.

DESCRIPTION.	1873.			1872.		
	No.	£	s. d.	No.	£	s. d.
Passengers—L. and C. R.	19,083	914	11 6	16,217	822	4 11
Season Tickets do.	19	35	6 6	14	29	4 0
Parcels, &c. do.	—	70	15 5	—	52	1 2
Passengers—G. S. R.	18,081	1,311	5 8	13,529	795	4 3
Season Tickets do.	8	17	8 9	6	25	16 3
Parcels, &c. do.	—	93	4 5	—	36	13 9
Passenger—G. N. R.	11,161	889	8 9	9,358	705	16 7
Season Tickets do.	5	18	19 0	7	38	15 9
Parcels, &c. do.	—	28	11 0	—	14	17 6
Freight up—L. and C. R.	—	1,679	14 4	—	1,330	5 11
„ down do.	—	737	18 5	—	534	16 2
„ up—G. S. R.	—	349	14 10	—	186	9 3
„ down do.	—	955	15 10	—	564	9 5
„ up—G. N. R.	—	176	12 10	—	84	8 3
„ down do.	—	298	16 7	—	109	17 6
Storage	—	78	19 4	—	42	11 8
Labour	—	91	12 9	—	99	18 1
Wharfage	—	317	0 9	—	201	9 9
Totals	—	£8,065	16 8	—	£5,675	0 2

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