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GENERAL POST OFFICE.

Russell, New Zealand,
8th Sept., 1840.

LIST of Unclaimed Letters now lying in this Office:—

Abbott, Captain, ship Naeton
 Angus, Mr. Robert
 Arthur, Mr. James
 A. H. Henry
 Aswell, Thomas
 Beal, Mr. T. S.
 Board, Mr., ship Louisa
 Bidwell, J. Esq.
 Bradley Capt. Joseph, Governor Halkett
 Bright, J. E. Esq. (2)
 Bridgeman, Mr. Thomas
 Brind, Mr. Walter
 Brown, Mr. William
 Brown, Andrew
 Brown, J., ship Active
 Brown, John, Surveying Company (2)
 Bruce William
 Birnie, Mr. Alexander
 Burn, Patrick
 Burrell, Captain, ship Bolina
 Campbell, Mr. James
 Campbell, Walter,
 Charlton, George
 Coffin, Captain, Francis, ship Samuel Wright
 Cowley, Charles
 Cowper, William
 Criablish, Captain, barque Palestine
 Czarnikow, Louis F.
 Davies, Benjamin
 Dick, James, Esq.
 Dick, Colin Mackenzie, Esq.
 Dewhurst, James
 Douglas, Thomas
 Duxburgh, Captain David
 Dudley, Alfred E., Esq.
 Fairclough, Thomas
 Fawcett, C. (2)
 Fatt, Mr.
 Finnis, Messrs. J. & D.
 Firth, Captain John
 Fitzpatrick, James
 Fuller, Charles
 Fayette, Alfred, Esq
 Gates, W. H. C., barque Narwhal
 Gillman, Edward, Esq
 Grace, Charles, Esq
 Gulham, Mrs. (2)
 Green, John
 Griffiths, Thomas (2)
 Hargreaves, Miss
 Harris, John, Esq (2)
 Hay, James
 Huggitt, William, ship Louisa
 Hedersted, G. W.
 Henderson, Captain, ship Mars
 Heyde Von der, J. J., ship Louisa
 Henry, John, sawyer
 Hughes, Robert
 Jones, John, (for James Spencer)
 Kenard, William, Jun.
 King, Mr., Mission (Tipponah)
 Kingsley, Mr., Edward (4)
 Kinsman, R. J., Esq
 Lander, William, ship Samuel Wright
 Lloyd, Henry, (care of Mr. James Lites)
 Loyd, Henry
 Long, Mr. "Diana," Captain Harvey
 M'Conn, James
 M'Donnell, Samuel
 M'Donnell, Francis
 M'Kay, Alexander (2)
 M'Kenzie, H. M. ship Marshal Burnett
 M'Leod, Robert
 Marshall, Charles, Waitutu (2)
 May, Joseph

Merrett, Mrs.
 Meyrick, Mr. Surgeon
 Moore, Anthony
 Mowbray, Robert, (care of Revd. H. Williams)
 Murray, Henry Dumes
 Murray, Mr. (at Mr. Scott's)
 Nichol, Mr. G. (2)
 Nicholson, Mr. James (boatman)
 O'Brien, Andrew, (Victoria Town)
 Partridge, Clement
 Peden, James, barque Mary
 Pennis, Alexander
 Prevost, Mons. Eugene
 Redmond, Joseph
 Rice, Thomas, barque Hoxton (2)
 Richards, Thomas (2)
 Robinson, Mr., (Bank's Peninsula)
 Russell, James
 Schuackenberg, C. H.
 Schultz, Robert
 Scott, Robert, (cooper and carpenter)
 Smith, Charles
 Sinclair, Hugh
 Strachan, James, (care of Mr. Mair)
 Smith, Edgar (2)
 Tatty, William
 Tancu, James, Dr.
 Thum, Mr. George
 Townshend, A. A.
 Trotter, William
 Turner and Whiteley, Messrs.
 Turner, William
 Turner, Reverend Henry (Waima)
 Walpole, Miss
 Welch, James
 Wilke, John
 Williams, William, "Kitty"
 Wilson, Revd. Francis
 Wright, Captain W. Louisa
 Wyer, Jacob

S. E. GRIMSTONE,
Postmaster.

LIST of Letters detained in the General Post Office, Russell, in consequence of the prescribed sea Postage not having been paid thereon to ensure their despatch:—

Bulch, Mrs. John, Somerset, England
 Berdo, Mr. Walter, (2) Cornhill, London
 Bewsey, Miss, Blandford, Dorsetshire
 Brany, Revd. G. Giescott, Birmingham
 Campion, John, Esq., Yorkshire, England
 Carswell, Mr. William, Glasgow, N B.
 Churchill, Mrs., Woodstock, Oxfordshire
 Dalziel, Mrs., Leith, N B
 Davlos, Mrs., White street, Cork, Ireland
 Davis, James, Hobart Town, V. D. Land
 Durrill, Mrs. London
 Farrar, Dr., Russell Square, London
 Farrar, Mrs. Alfred, Buckland, Portsmouth
 Fox, Mrs. Huntingdon, England
 Funge, Mr., St. Katherine Docks, London
 Gaskin, Mr. David, Whiteley, Yorkshire, England
 Gilmore, Mr. George, Hawkhead Mains, Renfrewshire, Scotland
 Green, Mr. Daniel, Norfolk, England
 Hadfield, Lieut., C. L., R. M., H. M. S. Britannia, Portsmouth
 Haggerston, Ralph, Mr., Stockton-upon-Tees, England
 Hew, Mr., Phillis Court, Henley, Oxon
 Hew, Mrs., Fawley Court, Henley-upon-Thames
 Irving, John, Esq., Clifton, Bristol England
 Jellicoe, Samuel, Esq., Brighton, England
 Jewett, Revd. William, (4) Salisbury Square, London
 Kelly, Mrs., Bone Harva, St. Germans, Cornwall
 Martin, Mr. Robert, Cladey B. g. Armagh, Ireland

Martin, Mr William, Lisnagata, Armagh Ireland
 Mathews, Mrs, Daddington, Oxfordshire
 M'Inrie, Miss, New Park, Londonderry
 Muir, Mr Thomas, Glasgow, Scotland
 Nisbet, Mr James, Glasgow
 Pearman, Mr Thos., Stourbridge, England
 Perrin, Frederick, Esq, Fitzbury Circus, London
 Peters, Mrs, Dulwich, Surrey, England
 Peterson, Mrs, Wakefield, Yorkshire
 Pittack, Mr. Watworth Road, Surry
 Rowlands, T. W Esq, Murray street, Hobart Town
 Scott, Mathew, Tobago street, Greenock
 Senior, Mrs, Yorkshire, England
 Senior Resident Wesleyan Minister, Chapel-House, Truro, Cornwall
 Smalley, Revd, Kensington, London
 Symon, Mr J, Dowgate Hill, London
 Taylor, Revd George, Gravesend, near London
 Watson, Mr Charles, Superintendent Bridgewater, V D Land
 Webster, Mrs A, Greenhead, Glasgow
 Wilson, Revd William, Walthamstow Essex
 Wyle, Mr William, Hales Owen, Shropshire, England
 Young, Charles, Esq, Islington, London

S. E. GRIMSTONE,
Postmaster.

General Post Office, Russell, }
8th Sept. 1840 }

Sale by Auction.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION,
by W. J. MILLSON,

At his Rooms, on Friday, 11th September, at 11 o'clock,

A VALUABLE assortment of Merchandise, consisting of prints,

Blankets
 Umbrellas
 Arrack
 1 case claret
 Leaf and brown sugar
 Gin
 Brandy
 Flour
 Tea, salt
 Stop clothing
 Axes, adzes, hoes, rakes and iron-
 rongery of all descriptions
 Britannia metal ware, consisting of—
 tea and coffee pots, milk and cream
 ewers, sugar basins, spirit stands,
 candlesticks, mustard pots, diluting
 cups, &c. &c

Three very excellent Tents, with
 poles, &c. two of which are lined
 Single and double barrelled guns
 Boots, shoes and slippers
 Tumblers

And a great variety of other articles too
 numerous to mention.
 Terms at time of sale.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION,

By W. J. MILLSON,

On the Premises, on Saturday the 12th
 September, at 11 o'clock,

THAT newly-erected dwelling-house,
 containing six rooms, and an allot-
 ment of land fronting York street, the
 property of Messrs. Baker and Dunn. The
 owners of this house have spared no ex-
 pence in its erection and fittings, to render
 it fit for the reception of a respectable fa-
 mily—or it would be available for a first-
 rate Hotel, the situation being central and
 the site good.

Terms made known at time of sale.

For sale by Auction,
by **Ed. Russell**, on
Monday the 14th September, 1840, at
11 o'clock,

R E. Newhall, direct from London,
GATTA shirts
Cables
Flannel drawers
Stockings
Lamps
Crockeryware
Glass
Brushings, &c.

Also, ex *Currenty Lass*,
A quantity of salt
Ditto pork
Mats, and other curiosities.
Terms—under £20, cash; above that
sum approved bills at 3 months.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned have this day entered
into Partnership as AUCTIONEERS
and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS at
the Bay of Islands, New Zealand. The
business will be conducted by Messrs.
WESTON & HOBSON, under the Firm of
Simmons, Weston & Co.

ISAAC SIMMONS
THOMAS WESTON
WILLIAM HOBSON

Sydney, 1st July, 1840.

Messrs. Simmons, Weston & Co.

Beg to inform merchants, captains of
vessels, settlers, and all parties connected
with New Zealand, that having completed
their new and extensive Stores, at the
South end of the Beach, Kororarika, they
have commenced business as Auctioneers
and General Commission Agents, and will
be happy to receive any instructions for
the Sale of Land, Merchandise, &c.; with
which they may be honored.

In soliciting a portion of the Public
patronage, S. W. & Co. flatter themselves;
that the experience they have attained by
many years practice in the profession in
the first House in Sydney, will be sufficient
guarantee of their knowledge of the business,
and capability of managing and effecting
any Sales of Merchandise, Land, &c, with
which they may be favored.

Kororarika,

7th Sept., 1840.

SIMMONS, WESTON & CO.

BEG to inform the Public, that their
first Sale by Auction will be held
at their New Stores, South end of the
Beach, Kororarika,

On Thursday, 17th instant, at 11 o'clock
precisely,

When they will dispose of the following
extensive consignment ex *Giraffe*, com-
prising—

- 56 Bags V. D. L 1st flour
- 25 do do 2nd do
- 50 do do rice do
- 20 Kegs Negrohead tobacco
- 2 cases segars, each 50 boxes
- 35 hlds. superior rum
- 30 cases do gin
- 6 hlds. Port wine
- 6 quarter casks do
- 18 casks bottled sherry, each 4 dozen
- 16 do do Port 3 do
- 6 cases do claret 3 do
- 14 cases bottled porter, pint each, 6 doz
- 10 do do ale do 4 do
- 1 case pine apple cheese
- 83 bags sugar
- 42 do Liverpool salt
- 51 bags rice
- 5 chests tyson skin tea
- 9 half chests do
- 5 cantees superior black tea
- 19 boxes London soap
- 1 cask refined loaf sugar
- 18 cans paint oil
- 5 cans turpentine
- 33 kegs white lead, 56lbs
- 14 kegs do 28lbs
- 31 do black paint 56lbs
- 50 do do 14lbs

- 4 coils eoir rope
- 4 cases salad oil
- 1 case lime juice
- 5 cases mustard
- 4 cypickles
- 1 do ketchup
- 37 bags shot
- 1 bale gunny bags
- 2 do blankets
- 1 case black beaver hats
- 4 bales navy blue prints
- 1 bale grey calico
- 1 do white shirtings
- 1 do chambery
- 1 case regatta shirts
- 1 do hoseiy assorted
- 1 do Ladies' chintz dresses
- 2 do fancy prints
- 1 do cotton handkerchiefs assorted
- 1 do India silk do
- 1 bale worsted shawls
- 1 case waistcoats
- 1 do moleskin trowsers
- 1 do jackets and cord trowsers
- 2 bales pea and monkey jackets
- 2 do flushing trowsers
- 2 do drab, olive, and blue great coats
- 1 do red shirts
- 1 case ladies' cloaks, double capes,
lined
- 1 bale diaper counterpanes
- 1 case turet stands, with bottles com-
plete
- 1 case table oil cloth
- 6 cases sundries, comprising diaper
towelling, G-ath cotton sheeting,
moleskins, fancy cassinets, gentle-
men's twilled wrappers, India rubber
braces, quill ing nets, lace, Scotch
caps, gentlemen's dress coats, writ-
ing fluid, hair, clothes and paint
brushes, of sizes, knives and forks,
tin pots, pannikins, &c.

TERMS—For all purchases under £30,
Cash; above that sum approved en-
dorsed bills at 3 months date from
the day of sale.

New Zealand Banking Company.

CAPITAL—£100,000,

IN 10,000 SHARES OF £10 EACH.

DIRECTORS:—

President,

James Ready Clendon, Esq., J. P.

Vice President,

Henry Thompson, Esq.

Gilbert Mair, Esq., J. P.

Edward Marsh Williams, Esq.

John Scott, Esq.

William Mayhew, Jun., Esq.

Daniel Pollen, Esq.

Philo B. Perry, Esq.

Agents in Sydney,

The Commercial Banking Company.

NOTICE.

THE New Zealand Banking Company
will commence Business on the 4th
instunt, and Interest will be allowed, and
charged at the following rates until further
Notice.

INTEREST ALLOWED—

On current accounts }
on the daily balance } 1 per cent. per annum.
at the opt. of }
On Deposit Receipts }
payable at ten days } 5 per cent per annum
notice }

INTEREST CHARGED—

On Bills not having more }
than sixty days to } 10 per cent. per annum.
run, at the rate of }

Discount Days—Wednesday at 12 o'clock

BILLS at ten day's Sight are granted on
the Commercial Bank in Sydney at 1
per Cent Premium.

By order of the Court of Directors,

A. KENNEDY,

Manager.

Kororarika, 2nd Sept., 1840.

FOR SALE

BY the undersigned, on board the store-
ship *Tuscan*, off Russell:—
Rum in barrels of 25 gallons
Tobacco in tierces and kegs
Port wine in hlds. and qtr. casks
Pages' bottled Port wine
Wardell's sherry wine
Champagne cyder
Bloom muscatel raisins
Bottled ale and porter in casks of 3
dozen
Half-pint tumblers, wine and liqueur
glasses
9-1 and 10-1 heavy blankets, full size
Black and drab beaver and palm leaf
hats.

JOHN J. MONTEFIORE.
Sept. 3rd.

FOR SALE.

BY the undersigned, on board the store-
ship *Tuscan* off Russell:—
Brown stout, pale and strong ales
Real Jamaica rum, 5 o. p., in barrels
Rum in hlds. 2 o. p.
Square fig tobacco in tierces
Tobacco in tierces, kegs, baskets & bales
Sugar in casks and mats
Rice, preserved meats, pickles
Ladies', gentlemen's and racing saddles
Large bowl pipes
Double barrel guns
Gin in half cases
Tents, lined and unlined
Spades, hoes and tomahawks

ANDERSON, SCOTT & Co.
Sept. 3rd.

THE undersigned have just received a
large quantity of LOAF SUGAR,
which they will sell at 7d. per lb. in quan-
tities not less than 1 cwt.
Also, 9, 10, 11 and 12 quarter Blankets
and Navy blue Prints.

HENRY THOMPSON & CO.

TENDERS

ARE required for performing the Car-
penter's work, mason's work, paint-
ing and glazing of a House 37 feet long by
35 feet deep. All materials provided by
the Undersigned, from whom every particu-
lar can be ascertained.

HENRY THOMPSON & Co.
Sept. 9, 1840.

The undersigned has on Sale at his stores,
Kororarika,

90 BASKETS Brazil tobacco

- Salt beef
- Salt pork
- Account books
- Stationery
- Tents
- Blankets
- Shirts
- Prints
- Jewellery
- Britannia metal ware
- Ironmongery
- Butter, flour
- Real Scheidam in 10 gallon kegs
- Maize
- Guns
- Cross cut saws
- Epsom salts
- Rhubarb
- Magnesia
- Castor oil
- Tartaric acid
- Tea
- Sugar
- Salt
- Soap
- Oil
- Paints
- Glass
- Crockeryware
- A very superior Chronometer
Three Quadrants.
- Two boxes wax candles.

W. WILSON.

Sept. 2nd, 1840.

KORORARIKA.

ON sale at Messrs. **NOBLE & WEEKS'S** Store:—
 Manilla and coir rope
 Case gin, Port and Sherry wine in bottles
 Soap and candles
 Pit, cross cut and hand saws
 Ditto files and sets
 Glue, nails, springs and screws
 Knives and forks in sets
 Blacking and scouring bricks
 Prints, navy blue and other
 Cedar boards and scantling
 Raisins, pepper, &c.
 Arrack and molasses, &c.

JUST received, and on sale by the undersigned, Dutch Clover Seed, new Stockholm tar, and Dutch butter.

J. WRIGHT,

near Russell.

Sept. 9, 1840.

THE UNDERSIGNED,

ARE prepared to purchase to any extent, Black Oil, Sperm Oil, and Whalebone, either British or Foreign.

HENRY THOMPSON & CO.

July 29.

EDUCATION.

THE Rev. B. QUAIFF expects, at the commencement of the Spring Quarter, so to arrange his present engagements as to be able to devote his morning hours to the instruction of Pupils.

He makes this announcement in consequence of having heard that the want of the means of Education has been repeatedly regretted by Parents.

If any persons wish to communicate with Mr. Q. on this subject, he is open at once to receive their communications.

If it be required, Classes will be opened for instruction in the Classics and Modern Languages of Europe, Mathematics, &c. &c. Mr. Q. having been accustomed to teach almost all the Branches of Modern Education.

Kororarika, Sept. 9, 1840.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD

FOR the apprehension of Frederick O'Donnell, who made his escape from the Lock-up house on Saturday night last, the above Reward will be paid to any person who may lodge the said F. O'Donnell in custody, on application to

T. SPICER.

2nd Sept., 1840.

CAUTION.

THE Public are hereby cautioned against destroying fences, cutting timber, or in any way trespassing on the lands of Captain Braid, situated in the Bay of Islands, as, after this Notice, all offenders will be prosecuted according to Law.

W. WILSON,

AGENT.

Sept. 2nd, 1840

MONEY.

WANTED, the sum of £200 and £100 on good Freehold security in the Bay of Islands. Apply to Mr. LITTLEWOOD, Solicitor, Bank Square.

WANTED,—a Farming Man, who understands the management of Cattle. Wages liberal. Apply to

G. MAIR,

Wahapu.

August 5th, 1840.

FOUND this day, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock, a Bank Note.—Any person describing the same, and paying the expense of this advertisement, may have it on application to

WILLIAM WILSON,

[Kororarika, Sept. 9.

T. SPICER, in returning thanks for past favors, begs most respectfully to inform the Inhabitants of New Zealand, Captains and owners of vessels, and the public generally, that the Business hitherto carried on between SPICER & WEAVELL as Auctioneers, Land and Commission Agents, Brokers and Appraisers, will be conducted, until the return of Mr. WEAVELL from New South Wales, by THOMAS SPICER, who will effect sales of all Properties entrusted to him at a very low per centage, and any persons favoring him with business, may depend on a speedy settlement of Accounts.

£ Cash to any amount advanced on Goods for sale.

THOMAS SPICER,

Auctioneer, Commission & Land Agent and Appraiser,

Wanted to borrow on good security, £300. Apply to

THOMAS SPICER.

WANTED, a pair of Brickmakers to whom constant employment will be given.—Apply to W. WILSON, Auctioneer.

July 15, 1840.

The Public is respectfully reminded that the first Quarter of our labours has terminated with our thirteenth Number, and that this is the proper period to commence Subscriptions.

Our friends who have not paid up their Subscriptions for the year are requested to do so at their earliest possible convenience.

Our Advertising friends will have their Accounts sent in without delay, and we shall be greatly obliged by their immediate settlement.

The necessity of an Advertising medium and of a public Journal, in which all matters of public interest may be canvassed, must now be felt. At the same time, in an infant community the support which the Proprietors may obtain can scarcely be expected to be co-extensive with the importance of their labours. It is, therefore, necessary, that those who wish our exertions success, should promote the circulation of our Journal by every means in their power.

We sincerely thank our friends for the degree of support we have received, and shall continue to labor for the public good in the exercise of as much energy and discretion as we possess.

The New Zealand Advertiser,
 AND
 BAY OF ISLANDS GAZETTE.

KORORARIKA:—SEPT. 10, 1840.

WHAT are the Police about? and what is doing at head quarters in regard to the police? are questions which are very naturally urged by many persons, in consequence of the robberies which were last week perpetrated at Kororarika. We regret to say we cannot solve the problem. What the Government may be planning we do not know, but with regard to the police, it seems to us that they are doing just NOTHING which they ought to do.

Last week we received a letter on the escape of O'Donnell, the forger (of which a

revised copy appears to-day,) and £2 were offered by Mr. Spicer for his apprehension. That letter directly charges some of the police with drinking and 'rolicing with prisoners, and the said charges are often repeated in our ears. We are unable to give our testimony either way, but if it be as is alleged, it is high time that their conduct should be scrutinized. If they are honest in the fulfilment of their duty, they will court exposure.

Although, however, we know not beyond the testimonies which are given us, whether the above charges can be substantiated, we certainly do know, that there is nothing here that conforms to our notions of a police. Is it for an organized police to go to bed and to sleep during the hours when robberies and disorders are most likely to take place, and merely to watch when every body is about? Why is there not a night watch? We are ignorant whether they can make pretensions to do this—at all events the thing is not done. A thief may take away even the pigs from the tents of the police, and they be none the wiser. We are perfectly sure, that in such a place as this, such robberies as those perpetrated last week would not have been easily perpetrated, if the place had been patrolled by men sober, honest, and determined. Our full conviction is, that the present police is not worth anything. We know not what it is to cost, nor exactly who is to pay for it.

We take the liberty of suggesting a word to the Government on this subject. The Bay of Islands generally, and this spot in particular, has been we might say, celebrated in the neighbouring Colonies and even in England, for the lawlessness of its inhabitants. Yet, on the other hand, actual residents say, that there is no comparison between the security which then existed, and the state of things now. Now, this is a reproach which we earnestly hope will not be allowed to be repeated. If the representations formerly given of this locality were true, it is not such a police as we have that is fit for it. Let the respectable inhabitants at least be effectually taught to rejoice, that we are now under the protection of British Laws and British Functionaries.

One word more before we close this subject. It is high time that better and securer prisons should be provided. It is not less necessary that every settlement or township should have a Magistrate within its immediate reach, and especially such a place as Kororarika.—Above all, a regular criminal court is most imperatively required. When will a Judge be appointed to try prisoners, and prevent the injustice of a long imprisonment in the case of those who may, after all, be proved innocent, or the escape from justice altogether of those who are really guilty? We wait for light on these points, and it is extremely desirable that the public should be correctly informed on matters of so much anxiety.

NEW ZEALAND BANKING COMPANY.

WANT of space in our last Number, prevented us from paying that attention to the New Zealand Banking Company, which its importance demands.

Most heartily do we congratulate the Inhabitants of the Bay of Islands, and particularly of Kororarika, on the establishment of this highly-important and useful institution.

Its establishment is truly a era in the history of New Zealand, and we hail it as the harbinger of every thing bright and beneficial to this infant Colony.

We can easily conceive the astonishment that will be felt by the good people of England upon reading in our columns an account of the formation of a Local Bank with a capital of £100,000, in this hitherto considered cannibal land. But whatever may be their astonishment, such is the fact, and the benefits to be derived from it are likely to be disseminated far and wide.

The want of a Bank has long and severely been felt here. This defect is now supplied, and mercantile operations of considerable magnitude may now be entered into. Indeed, without a Bank, the progress of the Bay of Islands must necessarily have been extremely slow, as all transactions must have been on a very confined scale.

All parties of consequence seem to unite in taking a deep interest in the welfare of this Bank, and amongst the List of Proprietors, are to be found the names of several gentlemen connected with the Mission; of three gentlemen holding the highest Government appointments in the Colony, and, indeed, of every respectable person in the Bay of Islands.

We have great pleasure in referring to the body of Directors, the selection of which, certainly, reflects every credit on the good taste of the Proprietors. Some little dissatisfaction, as might naturally be expected, prevailed on this point on the day of election, but it has now entirely subsided, and it is generally admitted, that a better selection could not have been made.

In conclusion, we wish to the *New Zealand Banking Company* all success and prosperity, and shall watch its progress with no ordinary degree of interest.

On Thursday night the 3rd inst. some person or persons, evidently acquainted with the place, effected an entrance by the front door into the store of Messrs. SPICER & WEAVER, on the Beach, and took away from the counting-house a brass-mounted writing desk, containing cash and various bills and notes to the amount of about £800. The desk was afterwards found open and stripped of all its valuable contents, not far from the spot. Bills were immediately posted offering £50 in the name of Mr. Spicer, and £20 in the name of Mr. B. E. Turner, for the apprehension of the offenders; and warrants were obtained to search various suspected places. We regret, however, to say, that no sufficient clue has yet been found to detect the robbers.

We learn, that on Tuesday night the 1st inst., a second attempt was made to rob the premises of Mr. Greiner, of Kororarua.

We regret that we have been under the necessity of deferring our Shipping Report till next week, when we shall give us full a list as we can procure.

To the Editor of the *New Zealand Advertiser & Bay of Islands Gazette*.

SIR.—I hope you will publish the letter I sent you last week, with the following addition—that O'Donnell, and the other persons who broke out of the watch-house, are strongly suspected of having been concerned in the robbery of my store—O'Donnell having been on the Bench several times, in disguise, and having taken his wife and property away during last week.

I am, Sir, your most obedient servant,
THOMAS SPICER.
9th Sept., 1840.

The following is the letter above alluded to by Mr. Spicer:—

“Having observed from the commencement of the publication of your Newspaper that, whenever occasion requires, your columns are open to give publicity to public wrongs, whatever may be their origin or whoever may be to blame, I, therefore, request, that you will insert in your next Number the following brief statement of facts:—

PRESENT TIMES.

About six weeks since a man named O'Donnell committed a forgery to the amount of £20 on His Excellency the Governor; the forged instrument was passed to me, and I soon after discovered one forgery, and caused O'Donnell to be apprehended and taken before the Magistrate. He was committed to take his trial

but admitted to bail. The bail taken were irresponsible men, and O'Donnell contemplated and boasted of his intention to escape. He was again apprehended upon my affidavit of facts, the bail discharged, and it was stated by the Bench that he should not again be admitted to bail;—however, about a week since the same bail or sureties were taken, who, finding he was about to abscond, gave him up, and he was confined in what is technically called the Lock-up or watch-house on Saturday last, and ordered by the Chief Constable to be safely ironed. On Sunday morning it was discovered that he had made his escape, in what manner, no doubt, well known to one or more parties whose duty it should have been to have seen him secure. It is a fact which cannot be contradicted, that from the time of his being first confined, he had been on terms of great intimacy with more than one of our policemen, drinking together, &c., &c.

TIMES PAST.

When a robbery or felony was committed the guilty party was taken into custody by the inhabitants, and if he had goods or property the same would be sold to the value of the stolen property, and the person robbed receive the amount of that value. In cases where it was considered necessary, the thief was flogged, mired and feathered, and exposed along the Beach and to the shipping in Harbour, that he might be well known. This was found to be an effectual check to robbery and fraud. The same man, O'Donnell, who has been allowed to escape, underwent that ordeal, and left off his practices until what is called Law, made its appearance on the Bench. What is the consequence? I lose my £20, and other persons will be subjected to similar losses, unless prisoners are, at least, placed under the charge of proper persons and in a place of security, until the time of trial.”

NEW ZEALAND.

Instructions of the Marquis of Normanby to His Excellency Lieut. Governor Hobson.

(Continued.)

Numerous projects for the establishment of a constitution for the proposed Colony have at different times been suggested to myself and my immediate predecessor in office, and during the last Session of Parliament a bill for the same purpose was introduced into the House of Commons, at the instance of some persons immediately connected with the Emigration then contemplated. The same subject was carefully examined by a Committee of the House of Lords. But the common result of all enquiries, both in this office and in other House of Parliament, was, to show the impracticability of the schemes proposed for adoption, and the extreme difficulty of establishing at New Zealand any institutions, legislative, judicial, or fiscal, without some more effectual control than could be found amongst the settlers themselves in the infancy of their settlement. It has, therefore, been resolved to place whatever territories may be aquired in Sovereignty by the Queen in New Zealand in the relation of a dependency to the Government of New South Wales. I am, of course, fully aware of the objections which may be reasonably urged against this measure, but after the most ample investigation, I am convinced that for the present, there is no other practicable course which would not be opposed by difficulties still more considerable, although I trust that the time is not distant when it may be proper to establish in New Zealand itself a local Legislative Authority.

In New South Wales there is a Colonial Government possessing a comparatively long experience, sustained by a large revenue, and constituted in such a manner as is best adapted to enable the Legislative and Executive authorities to act with promptitude and decision. It presents the opportunity of bringing the financial economy of the proposed new Colony under the constant revision of a power

sufficiently near to obtain early and accurate intelligence, and sufficiently remote to be removed from the influence of the passions and prejudices by which the first colonists must, in the commencement of their enterprise, be agitated. It is impossible to confide to an indiscriminate body of persons who have voluntarily settled themselves in the immediate vicinity of the numerous population of New Zealand, those large and irresponsible powers which belong to the representative system of Colonial government. Nor is that system adapted to a Colony struggling with the first difficulties of their new situation. Whatever may be the ultimate form of Government to which the British settlers in New Zealand are to be subject, it is essential to their own welfare, not less than that of the aborigines, that they should at first be placed under a rule which is at once effective, and to a considerable degree external.

The proposed connexion with New South Wales will not, however, involve the extension to New Zealand of the character of a penal settlement. Every motive concurs in forbidding this, and it is to be understood as a fundamental principle of the new Colony, that no convict is ever to be sent thither to undergo his punishment.

The accompanying copy of my correspondence with the Law Officers of the Crown, will explain to you the grounds of law on which it is concluded that by the annexation of New Zealand to New South Wales, the powers vested by Parliament in the Governor and Legislative Council of the older settlement, might be exercised over the inhabitants of the new Colony. The accompanying commission under the Great Seal will give effect to this arrangement, and the warrant which I enclose, under Her Majesty's Sign Manual, will constitute you Lieutenant Governor of that part of New South Wales Colony, which has thus been extended over the New Zealand Islands. These instruments you will deliver to Sir George Gipps, who, on your proceeding to New Zealand, will place them in your hands to be published there. You will then return it to him, to be deposited among the archives of the New South Wales government.

In the event of your death or absence, the officer administering the Government of New South Wales will provisionally, and until Her Majesty's pleasure can be known, appoint a Lieutenant Governor in your place, by an instrument under the Public Seal of his Government.

It is not, for the present, proposed to appoint any subordinate Officers for your assistance. That such appointments will be indispensable is not indeed to be doubted—but I am unwilling at first to advance beyond the strict limits of necessity, which alone induces the ministers of the crown to interfere at all on this subject. You will confer with Sir George Gipps as to the number and nature of the official appointments which should be made at the commencement of the undertaking, and as to the proper rate of their emoluments. These must be fixed with the most anxious regard to frugality, in the expostion of the public resources. The selection of the individuals by whom such offices are to be borne, must be made by yourself from the colonists, either of New South Wales or New Zealand, but upon the full and distinct understanding that their tenure of office, and even the existence of the offices which they are to hold, must be provisional and dependent upon the future pleasure of the crown.

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