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PROCLAMATION.

By GEORGE CUTFIELD, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of New Plymouth.

WHEREAS by an Ordinance enacted by the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, intituled "An Ordinance for imposing a tax upon Raupo Houses," it is amongst other things provided that it shall be lawful for His Excellency the Governor, from time to time, by Proclamation, to declare the provisions therein contained to be in force in any Town, or part of any Town, the boundaries whereof respectively shall be defined by Proclamation, And that on a day to be named in such Proclamation, not being less than six calendar months from the date thereof, and on the same day in every succeeding year, there shall be levied in respect of every building, constructed wholly, or in part of raupo, nikau, toetoe, wiwi, kakaho, straw or thatch of any description, and situate within the boundaries so defined, the sum of twenty pounds. And whereas by an Ordinance of the Provincial Council of New Plymouth, intituled, the "Empowering Ordinance, 1857," it is amongst other things provided that the powers and authorities vested in the Governor of New Zealand by the said in part recited Ordinance shall and may within the Province of New Plymouth be thenceforth vested in and exercised by the Superintendent of the said Province.

Now, therefore, I do hereby proclaim and declare the provisions of the said Ordinance for Imposing a Tax upon Raupo Houses

to be in force within such portions of the Town of New Plymouth in the said Province of New Plymouth as are comprised within the following boundaries, namely:

Commencing at the sea beach in line with Morley street, thence along the sea beach to the Kauwau Pa Reserve, thence along the southern and eastern boundaries thereof to the sea beach, thence along the sea beach to Eliot street, thence along Eliot street to John street, thence along John street and Davy street to the Huatoki, thence along the Huatoki to Gilbert street, thence across the Huatoki to the Military Reserve, thence along the Military Reserve to Robe street, thence along Robe street to Downe street, thence along Downe street to Mt Edgecumbe street, thence along Mt Edgecumbe street to Young street, thence along Young street to Morley street and thence along Morley street to the sea beach.

And I do further proclaim and declare that the first day of January, One thousand eight hundred and fifty nine, shall be the day on which the first payment of Twenty Pounds shall be levied and demanded in respect of every Building constructed wholly or in part of raupo, nikau, toetoe, wiwi, kakaho, straw or thatch of any description and situate within the aforesaid boundaries.

Given under my hand at New Plymouth, this twenty seventh day of October, 1857.

G. CUTFIELD,
Superintendent.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

PROCLAMATION.

By GEORGE CUTFIELD, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of New Plymouth.

WHEREAS in the Fifth Session of the Provincial Council of New Plymouth, held in the twenty first year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, an Ordinance was passed, intituled the "Loan Ordinance, 1857." And whereas the said Ordinance was on the 12th day of August last presented to me for the assent of His Excellency the Governor, and was then reserved by me for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon. And whereas His Excellency has been pleased to assent to the said Ordinance. Now, therefore, I Do hereby proclaim that His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, the Governor of New Zealand, has assented to the said Ordinance, and that I received the signification of His Excellency's assent on the 10th day of October, One thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

Given under my hand at New Plymouth, this twenty seventh day of October, 1857.

G. CUTFIELD,
Superintendent.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
New Plymouth, 22nd October, 1857.

THE following Despatch from the Colonial Secretary is published for general information.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, September 28, 1857.

Sir,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th ultimo transmitting two Ordinances passed by the Provincial Council of New Plymouth and assented to by your Honor on behalf of the Governor—entitled respectively the "Dog Registration Ordinance, 1857" and the "Licensing Amendment Ordinance, 1857."

The first of these Ordinances would be productive of most dangerous consequences to the peace of the Province, when it is considered that a large number of dogs are the property of the Natives residing in the Province who would not, with but few exceptions, if any, be induced to register their dogs, which would consequently be liable to be destroyed by any person, either from motives of personal hostility to the owner, or from mere caprice or wantonness.

If it had been provided that the Provincial Government as in other Provinces

where laws of this kind have been enacted, should possess a control over the persons who were authorised to destroy unregistered dogs, as by limiting the power of so doing to the Police or other persons duly appointed for the purpose, or if a provision had been made for giving up dogs to the owners in certain cases the Ordinance would not have been so objectionable, although I believe your Honor will agree with me that it would be infinitely preferable to avoid, in a place where the European and Native population are in such intimate contact as at New Plymouth, the possibility of exciting those angry feelings between the races which would inevitably result from the destruction in any manner of dogs belonging to the Maories.

With respect to the Licensing Amendment Ordinance, I have to inform your Honor that it is intended to introduce a Bill on this subject to the General Assembly in its next session, with a view of regulating the issue of Licenses in Native districts, where, for the most part, the inhabitants are strongly opposed to the introduction of spirits.

The Governor has therefore under the above mentioned circumstances been advised to disallow these Ordinances, and his Excellency has been pleased to disallow them accordingly.

I have, &c.,

E. W. STAFFORD.

His Honor the Superintendent,
New Plymouth.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
New Plymouth, 15th October, 1857.

THE following tenders for the eradication of the Scotch Thistle on the several districts of the Town Lands for the period of fourteen calendar months commencing on the first of November next, have been received, and are published for general information:

TENDER ACCEPTED.

Richard Coleman..... £32 13 4

TENDERS NOT ACCEPTED.

James Brownlee..... 16s per week

William Hales..... £60 0 0

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
New Plymouth, 23rd October, 1857.

THE Superintendent has appointed CHRISTOPHER MCGAHEY to be a Private in the Armed Police Force of the Province, vice John Crozier, discharged at his own request.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

SLAUGHTER HOUSE ORDINANCE,
1857.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
New Plymouth, 22nd October, 1857.

NO T I C E is hereby given, that the "Slaughter House Ordinance, 1857," will come into operation on the 1st day of November next, and that the slaughtering of any cattle or the skinning or dressing of any carcase within the limits of the Town of New Plymouth is prohibited, except as therein provided, from that date.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

TO CIVIL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, &c.

BRIDGE OVER THE WAIWAKAIHO RIVER.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
New Plymouth, 24th October, 1857.

TH E Provincial Government of New Plymouth being desirous to erect a Bridge over the River Waiwakaiho, has caused to be prepared a Map of the River with a Section of the Bed and Banks on both sides, and also descriptive particulars of the proposed site.

The Map, Section, Level, and Prospectus containing full particulars, directions, conditions, &c., may be seen on application at the Survey offices in New Plymouth, Auckland, and Wellington.

A premium of Forty Pounds will be given for the most eligible design, and a premium of Twenty Pounds for the next.

Colonel Mould, R. E., has consented to determine the relative merits of the various designs, and his opinion will be acted upon in awarding the premiums.

The Designs and Specifications must be transmitted, in the manner prescribed in the prospectus, to this office on or before the first day of January, 1858.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

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BRIDGE OVER THE WAIWAKAIHO RIVER.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
New Plymouth, New Zealand,
24th October, 1857.

PRO S P E C T U S of a Bridge to be built over the River Waiwakaiho in the Province of New Plymouth, and conditions upon which the Premiums offered for designs will be awarded.

The Bridge may be of Iron or Wood, or of part Iron and part Wood.

[Note.—The water ways should be 152

feet wide in the aggregate, and the first span from the west bank should not be less than 120 feet in the clear, as large timber is frequently brought down in the freshets.]

The Bridge must have a footpath of four feet in width on each side with a space between, for roadway, of not less than fifteen feet. It must be strong enough to sustain the weight of a drove of cattle, and also the lateral pressure of the strong South East winds which sweep down the valley of the river. And it must be adapted for the site, drawings, sections, and particulars of which, are annexed hereto.

The site is about two miles from the Landing Place, and the road thereto good.

The greatest velocity of the stream in floods is from eight to nine miles per hour in the middle of the current.

The materials available in the locality are timber of a good description in all scantlings required, and good working stone.

The district is occasionally subject to slight earthquakes.

The cost must not exceed £1500 for a Wood Bridge or £2000 for an Iron Bridge including the abutments and the immediate approaches thereto.

All Designs are to be accompanied by a clear and comprehensive Specification and a detailed Estimate of the cost of erecting and completing the work.

The Drawings must comprise Plans, Longitudinal and Transverse Sections and Elevations, also sufficiently enlarged drawings of parts to make the design explanatory. The Plans to be drawn to a scale of 10 feet to an inch, Elevations and Sections 5 feet to an inch.

No Design or Specification shall bear any signature or other description of the competitor, but there shall be inscribed thereon some character motto or device, which character motto or device, shall, together with the name and address of the competitor, be also inscribed on a separate sheet of paper, and enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to me at this Office, and endorsed "Design for Bridge over the River Waiwakaiho."

All the Designs and Specifications will be forwarded to Colonel Mould, R.E., who will decide upon the most eligible. A Premium of Forty Pounds will be given for the most eligible design and a premium of Twenty Pounds for the next.

The Provincial Government reserves to itself the right to withhold either one or both premiums should the designs not be judged suitable for the purpose required.

The correctness of the Estimates will be considered in awarding the Premiums, and no premium will be awarded for any design, whatever may be the amount of the Esti-

mate, if it should be apparent that the real cost would much exceed the respective amounts of £1500 and £2000.

If any two designs should appear to be equally eligible, the least expensive will be preferred.

When Colonel Mould shall have decided as to the eligibility of the designs, the envelopes accompanying the designs will be opened and the premiums paid to the successful competitors.

The designs, &c. approved of will become the property of the Provincial Government, and the others will be returned to their respective owners with as little delay as possible.

Further particulars, if required, may be obtained on application at this Office.

I. N. WATT,
Provincial Secretary.

RURAL LAND SALE.

Superintendent's Office,
New Plymouth, 16th July, 1857.

NOTICE is hereby given, that there will be a periodical sale of Rural Land in the Hua and Waiwakaiho Hundred, under the Land Regulations of the Province, at the Crown Lands Office, in the Town of New Plymouth, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, on the first day of every month, unless the same fall on a Sunday or on Good Friday, and in that case on the following day.

G. CUTFIELD,
Superintendent.