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J. WOODWARD,

ACTING-PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

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No. 28.

Speech of His Honor the Superintendent on closing the Provincial Council.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL,—

I beg to intimate that I have assented on behalf of His Excellency the Governor to the following Acts, viz. :—

An Act to enable the Superintendent to guarantee a fixed rate of interest on the cost of erection of a Patent Slip.

An Act to authorise the Superintendent to purchase a site for a Patent Slip in this Harbor.

An Act to provide for the management of the land set apart as the Wairarapa Race-Course.

An Act to Re-adjust the Representation of the Province in the Provincial Council.

An Act to provide for the Branding of Horses.

An Act to provide for the management of the land set apart for the Hutt District as a Public Park or Race-Course.

An Act to grant a piece of land to the Ancient Order of Foresters.

An Act to amend and extend the Scab, Catarrh, and Sheep Inspectors' Act, Session IX, No. 13.

An Act to appropriate the Revenue of the Province of Wellington, for the year commencing the first day of April, 1864, and ending the thirty-first day of March, 1865.

An Act to grant a piece of land to the Society of Freemasons.

Though the Acts thus passed are few in number, and the majority of them of no great importance, still, I venture to say, having regard to the ample provision you have made for various public works and undertakings, that no session will ever have conducted more to the future advancement and prosperity of the Province.

While I warmly appreciate and acknowledge

the testimony you have borne to my efforts to preserve the peace of the Province, and to cement those bonds of union between the two races, which were first established by the pioneers and founders of this settlement, and which, in spite of many disturbing causes, have never been materially weakened, yet I feel far more grateful to you for your cordial and hearty acknowledgment of the services so nobly rendered by the natives of Wanganui, in preventing, at a great sacrifice of life, and without the slightest aid or assistance from the Government, an attack on the settlement by a band of fanatics.

And it is an interesting and gratifying fact, that at the very time you were expressing your gratitude to the brave men who fought and conquered at Moutoa, they were preparing to ward off another threatened assault—again to engage in a conflict in which they cannot be said to have any immediate concern—were ready a second time to risk their lives in defence of their pakeha brethren.

I need scarcely add that your desire that a suitable monument should be erected to the memory of those who fell in that ever memorable engagement, shall be carried out as speedily as possible, for I assure you that during my lengthened administration of the Government of this Province, no more pleasing duty has ever devolved upon me than that of joining you in paying this dearly earned—this richly deserved tribute.

With the Wanganui river thus guarded by between 300 and 400 such gallant and trusty allies—with the Waitotara block cleared of rebel kingites—with daily desertions from the ranks of kingism of most influential chiefs—with the growing confidence, (I believe) in the native mind that justice will be tempered with mercy, I feel that I am more than ever justified in congratulating you on the prospect, I had almost said certainty, that the peace of this Province will not be disturbed—is permanently secured.

It will be satisfactory to you to learn that within the last few days another instalment has

been paid on a portion of the Forty Mile Bush, so that nearly the whole, if not the whole, of the Forty Mile Bush within this Province is now under offer, though from the complicated nature of the title, the number of claimants, and the great extent of the boundary lines to be cut, some considerable time must necessarily elapse before the purchase can be completed. I am glad also to announce that an agreement for the sale of about 1600 acres—a portion of the land required for the site of the proposed principal town at Manawatu—has been duly executed.

I intimated to you in my opening address that I had accepted authority from Ministers to enrol some 300 military settlers whom I intended to locate in the country between the Waitotara and Patea Rivers; but having since been made aware that the greatest part of this territory is claimed, and I believe is justly claimed, by loyal natives—that it is now admitted by the warmest advocates of these military settlements that they will prove a source of weakness rather than of strength—that it is not expected that one-fourth of the men enrolled in the North will ever become *bona fide* settlers; and being, moreover, satisfied that to enrol military settlers at this season of the year would simply be to supply a certain number of diggers, passing through the settlement, with food and shelter until they found it convenient to return to the diggings, without the Province getting single day's work out of them, you will not be surprised at my having, for the present at least, abandoned the scheme. In the meantime, however, efforts are being made to engage a large body of men who will be employed on the trunk lines of road sanctioned by His Excellency's Government; and should, as I fully expect, a considerable number of these laborers be at once engaged by the settlers, their places will be supplied by the introduction of others as speedily as possible.

I gather from the Appropriation Act that your appropriations are some £13,000 in excess of the estimated Revenue; and you are aware that within the next few weeks I shall be called upon to pay to the natives from £14,000 to £15,000, for which no provision has been made except by a confirmation of a resolution passed in a former session, guaranteeing the repayment of any overdraft I may obtain from the Banks for land purchases to an amount not exceeding £20,000. Now, while my duty clearly is to carry out your votes as far as I possibly can, without involving the Province in financial difficulties, and while I hope, inasmuch as several of the amounts placed on the Estimates will scarcely during the current financial year be required, that no difficulty may be experienced in giving effect to your wishes, still some delay may possibly occur in commencing some of the works you have proposed.

As such an excess of appropriation over estimated revenue necessarily, however unwisely, clothes the Executive with a discretionary power; as to which appropriations they will carry out, and thus renders them liable to charges of partiality and favoritism, I think it right to state that I propose that this rule shall as far as practicable be adhered to—the votes originally placed on the Estimates will be first carried out, and then those of supplementary appropriations which partake most of the character of grants in aid.

You will be glad to learn that in compliance with your wishes, instructions have by this mail been forwarded to Mr. Morrison, the agent of the Province, to engage at least one competent engineer, and to lose no time in the event of the Inter-Colonial Royal Mail Company any longer hesitating to sign the agreement for the construc-

tion of the Patent Slip, in entering into a contract with some one of the other firms, who had previously signified their readiness to undertake the work, and also after the necessary plans and specifications have been prepared to call for tenders for the construction and completion of the proposed additions to the Wharf, within the shortest practicable period.

I have also in virtue of the authority given me by the General Government informed Mr. Morrison of the terms and conditions upon which the immigration authorised by the Loan Appropriation Act is to be conducted to this Province, and have instructed him at once to organise a stream of immigration to the extent of at least from 200 to 300 statute adults each month. As soon as the conditions I have proposed—the principal of which are that in the event of the immigrant paying one half of his passage money within twelve months after arrival, and remaining two years in the Province, the other moiety will be remitted, and that in no case is the indebtedness of an immigrant to the Province to exceed £28—have been approved by His Excellency's Government, similar terms will be conceded to settlers desirous of bringing out their friends and relations.

It only remains for me on behalf of the Province to thank you for the desire you have ever evinced to promote its true interests, to congratulate you upon the success that has attended your past efforts, and to express my earnest hope that nothing may occur to mar or check the career of progress and prosperity upon which this Province is now fairly launched.

I now declare that this Council do stand pronounced.

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Superintendent.

Superintendent's Office,

15th July, 1864.

Land Sale.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Honor ISAAC EARL FEATHERSTON, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand.

I, ISAAC EARL FEATHERSTON, Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, do hereby, in pursuance of the Regulations in this behalf, Proclaim and Notify that the several allotments of land situate in the Rangitiki district, in the Province of Wellington, and specified in the Schedule hereto, except such as may be reserved under the provision hereafter mentioned, will be put up for sale by Public Auction, at the Crown Lands Office, in the Town of Wellington, on Monday, the 12th day of September, 1864, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

If at any time during the sale it may appear to the Commissioner of Crown Lands beneficial or expedient for the public service to reserve from sale either of the sections specified in the said Schedule, or to vary the order in which

they are to be put up, he is hereby authorized to do so.

Given under my hand, and issued under L. S. the Public Seal of the Province of Wellington, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of July, 1864.

ISAAC EARL FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

By His Honor's Command,
J. WOODWARD,
Acting Provincial Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

No. of Block.	Contents	Upset Price per acre.		
		£	s.	d.
CLII	266 0 0	0	5	0
CLIV	320 0 0	0	5	0
CLVI	320 0 0	0	5	0

Removal of the Prohibition to import Cattle into Wellington from Canterbury, Marlborough, Nelson, Hawke's Bay and Taranaki.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Honor ISAAC EARL FEATHERSTON, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, in the Islands of New Zealand.

WHEREAS, by Section Number X. of the "Diseased Cattle Act, 1861," it was enacted that if at any time it should be made to appear to the Governor that any infectious or contagious disease has broken out amongst cattle in any district of the Colony, it should be lawful for the Governor by order in Council to declare that such district was infected within the meaning of the Act, and from time to time to make such regulations for destroying diseased cattle therein, and for prohibiting the removal or transportation of cattle from one part of the Colony to another, and for preventing the further spread of such disease as to him should seem fit: AND it was by the same Act also enacted that the Governor in Council might by warrant under his hand from time to time delegate to the Superintendent of any Province within the Colony all or any of the powers vested in the Governor, or Governor in Council, by the said Act, subject to such regulations as he might think fit, and might from time to time rescind such delegation: AND WHEREAS the Governor hath, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, delegated to ISAAC EARL FEATHERSTON, Esquire, so long as he shall hold the office of Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, the several powers vested in the Governor by the second, fourth, fifth, seventh, ninth, and tenth sections of the said Act, subject to being rescinded, as in the said Act was provided, and subject to the regulations issued by the Governor in Council,

on the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and to any other regulations to be from time to time duly made: AND WHEREAS by Proclamation, issued on or about the seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, certain places were declared infected districts within the meaning and for the purposes of the said Act:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the said ISAAC EARL FEATHERSTON, by virtue of the powers vested in me in this behalf, do hereby rescind the said Proclamation, in so far as it relates to the Provinces of Canterbury, Marlborough, Nelson, Hawke's Bay, and Taranaki.

Given under my hand, and issued under L. S. the Public Seal of the Province of Wellington, at Wellington, this eighteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

By His Honor's command,
J. WOODWARD,
Acting Provincial Secretary.

Removal of the prohibition to import Cattle into Canterbury from Nelson, Marlborough, Taranaki, Hawke's Bay, and Wellington.

PROCLAMATION.

UNDER "DISEASED CATTLE ACT, 1861."

WHEREAS, by a Proclamation, dated the First day of April, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, it was proclaimed and declared that the District comprising the several Provinces of Otago, Southland, Nelson, and Marlborough in the Middle Island, and the District comprising the several Provinces of Auckland, Taranaki, Hawke's Bay, and Wellington in the North Island, were infected Districts within the meaning of the "Diseased Cattle Act, 1861;" and whereas it has been deemed expedient that the Provinces of Nelson and Marlborough in the Middle Island, and the Provinces of Taranaki, Hawke's Bay, and Wellington in the North Island, should be exempted from the provisions of the said Proclamation:

NOW, therefore, I, SAMUEL BEALEY, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, do hereby rescind the said Proclamation, in so far as it relates to the said Provinces of Nelson and Marlborough in the Middle Island, and the said Provinces of Taranaki, Hawke's Bay, and Wellington in the North Island.

Given under my hand, at Christchurch, this Eleventh day of July, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

S. BEALEY,
Superintendent.

By His Honor's command,
WM. ROLLESTON,
Provincial Secretary.

(Canterbury Government Gazette, July 12, 1864.)

*Appointment of Sheep and Cattle
Inspector.*

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th July, 1864.

HIS Honor the Superintendent has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER McDONALD, Esq.,

to be Sheep and Cattle Inspector for the Wanganui-Rangitikei District. The appointment to date from the 26th of May last.

J. WOODWARD,
Acting Provincial Secretary.

*Deposit of Plans, &c., Diversion
of Road in the Tunahaeri Dis-
trict.*

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 15th July, 1864.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Wardens of the Tunahaeri District intend to make a diversion of a road through the said District, and have, therefore, deposited

a book, plan, &c., in this office, and duplicates thereof at the Wanganui Hotel, in the town of Wanganui, being the house at which it usually meets to transact business, and have appointed Thursday, the 25th day of August, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for a meeting of the Board at the Wanganui Hotel aforesaid, to receive any objections to the intended works.

J. WOODWARD,
Acting Provincial Secretary.

*Election of Wardens—South Ma-
kara District.*

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 18th July, 1864.

A NOTIFICATION has been made to this office, under the hand of the Chairman of the Board of Wardens of the Makara District, that on the 14th day of May last, John Cately and Thomas Griffiths were elected members of the said Board, in the stead of James Stoodley and John Diamond, who have left the District.

J. WOODWARD,
Acting Provincial Secretary.