



**NEW ZEALAND  
GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.**

[PROVINCE OF NEW PLYMOUTH.]

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CHARLES BROWN, Superintendent.

Vol. I.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1853.

No. 1.

PROCLAMATION.

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Now therefore, I, the Superintendent of the Province of New Plymouth, do hereby proclaim and declare, that I have appointed the first Session of the Provincial Council of the Province of New Plymouth to be holden at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon of Friday, the sixteenth day of September instant, at the Court House, New Plymouth, in the Province of New Plymouth.

Given under my hand at New Plymouth, in the Province of New Plymouth, this seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-three.

CHARLES BROWN,  
SUPERINTENDENT.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!



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Now therefore, I, the Superintendent of the Province of New Plymouth, do hereby proclaim and declare, that I have appointed the next Sittings of the First Session of the Provincial Council of the Province of New Plymouth, to be holden in the Building on Town Section No. 653 on the Plan of the

Town of New Plymouth, in the Province of New Plymouth.

Given under my hand at New Plymouth, in the Province of New Plymouth, this fifteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-three.

CHARLES BROWN,  
SUPERINTENDENT.  
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

New Plymouth, Oct. 15, 1853.  
THE following Circular Despatches are published for general information.

CHARLES BROWN,  
Superintendent.

Civil Secretary's Office, Wellington,  
8th August, 1853.

SIR,—I am directed by Governor Sir GEORGE GREY to communicate to your Honor the following financial arrangements which have been provisionally and temporarily made by his Excellency, with the view

of enabling the Provincial Government efficiently to perform its duties until such time as the General Assembly shall have passed some enactment upon the subject.

It appears to His Excellency, from the nearest estimate which can be made with the means at his command, that the Revenue of the whole Colony of the Islands of New Zealand, after the costs of collection and management have been defrayed, will, for the present, amount to £62,000 per annum, and that the charges upon account of the Civil List, or those imposed by Ordinances of the General Legislature,—such, for instance, as the Interest upon Public Securities, the Expenses of Savings Banks, the charges upon account of Education, &c. &c. &c.—will amount to a sum of about £21,000 per annum, or, one-third of the Net Revenue of the Colony.

The Collector of Customs will therefore receive instructions to make up his account at the close of each week, and then, having first deducted the amount necessary to defray the expenses of that Department, to pay over two-thirds of the Balance remaining in his hands to the Provincial Treasurer, or to the Provincial Account at the Union Bank of Australia, and to remit the remaining third of such Balance to the Colonial Treasurer of New Zealand.

This mode of adjustment will not in every instance be perfectly accurate, as the Revenue of the Province will from time to time vary, as will also the proportion which the Civil List and the expenses of the General Government bear to the whole Revenue of New Zealand, which may now be expected rapidly to increase. Consequently the above arrangement cannot be considered as being final. When, therefore, the accounts of the Revenue of each quarter reach the Treasurer of New Zealand, a final Account will be made out, showing the Gross Revenue of each Province, the charges on account of Collection, the proportion of the Balance due to each Province during the quarter; any balance which may then be found due to any Province, in addition to the two-thirds of its Revenue already paid, will thereupon be paid over to the Treasurer of the Province, or to the Provincial Account at the Union Bank of Australia.

In like manner, if from the anticipated increase in the Revenue of the Colony, it

should shortly be found that the proportion of the Revenue to which each Province is entitled, exceeds two-thirds of the Revenue collected therein, arrangements will immediately be made for altering the amount to be paid from two-thirds to such sum as each Province may be found entitled to.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your Honor's most obedient  
humble servant,  
ALFRED DOMETT,  
Civil Secretary.

His Honor the Superintendent  
of the Province of New Plymouth.

Civil Secretary's Office, Wellington,  
8th August, 1853.

SIR,—I am directed by Governor Sir GEORGE GREY to acquaint your Honor that, until further provision is made by the General Assembly, the Land Fund of the Province will be appropriated in the following manner.

2. One-fourth of the gross proceeds of Lands Sold or Let, in the manner stated in the 74th clause of the New Zealand Constitution Act, will be retained for the benefit of the New Zealand Company.

3. The remaining three-fourths of such gross proceeds, together with the proceeds arising from the Rents of Crown Lands, from the Fees on Crown Grants, &c. &c. &c. will be subject, in the first place, to deductions for the cost of the Land Department, Surveys, &c., as also for such proportion of the Land Fund as the Commissioners may be directed to deduct for the payments to the Aborigines for the purchase of their Lands.

4. After these deductions have been made, the Balance remaining is to be divided into two equal parts, one of which is to be retained by the Commissioner for Emigration purposes, while the other part will be paid over, at the close of each month, to the Provincial Treasurer, or to the Provincial Account at the Union Bank of Australia.

5. The General Government will, for the present, apply the proportion of the Land Fund applicable to Emigration purposes, in accordance with the terms of the Proclamation of the 4th of March, 1853. But if the Provincial Council of the Province of New Plymouth would prefer having any altera-

tion made in this arrangement, the Governor will be prepared to consider any representations which you may, in behalf of that Body, make to His Excellency upon the subject.

It must, however, be understood, that if any portion of the Province is proclaimed a Hundred, nothing contained in the foregoing paragraphs will prevent the Governor under the authority of the Royal Instructions of the 12th of August, 1850, from authorising the application of any proportion not exceeding one-third of the gross proceeds of the Sales of Crown Lands within such Hundred, to such purposes as shall be signified to him by the Wardens of that Hundred.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your Honor's most obedient  
humble servant,  
ALFRED DOMETT,  
Civil Secretary.

His Honor the Superintendent  
of the Province of New Plymouth.

Civil Secretary's Office, Wellington,  
Sept. 13, 1853.

SIR,—I am directed by Governor Sir GEO. GREY to inform your Honor that as sites for Towns and Villages, Reserves for Public Purposes, and Districts to be comprised within the Limits of Hundreds, will be frequently required in lands either recently acquired from the Natives, or which have been for some time in the possession of the Crown, it will be the duty of the Com-

missioner of Crown Lands to make such reserves for the above purposes as he may think necessary, reporting the same for the information of the Governor.

“It will also be in your Honor's power to request the Commissioner from time to time to make such reserves as may appear to your Honor to be desirable, and it will be the duty of the Commissioner, upon the receipt of such instructions, to set aside such lands, reporting the same as in the former case for the approval or disallowance of the Governor. He will also report to your Honor whether he has or has not recommended such reserves for approval; and, in the event of a difference of opinion, what are the reasons for such difference.

Whenever any fresh tracts of country are acquired from the Aborigines, the Commissioner has been instructed that under no circumstances whatever is he to permit such lands to be thrown open for purchase, until your Honor shall have had an opportunity of submitting for the consideration of the Provincial Council whether any, and what Reserves of the nature referred to in the first paragraph of this letter, should be made in such Districts.

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Your Honor's most obedient  
humble servant,  
ALFRED DOMETT,  
Civil Secretary.  
His Honor the Superintendent  
of the Province of New Plymouth.



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Vol. I.] NEW PLYMOUTH, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1853. [No. 3.

New Plymouth, October 29th, 1853.  
The following Circular Despatch is published for general information.

CHARLES BROWN,  
Superintendent

(Circular)  
Civil Secretary's Office, Wellington,  
12th August 1853.  
No. 1047.

SIR,—It has appeared to Governor G. GREY that it may often be for the interest of a particular Province, with a view to encourage the occupation of the Land, to undertake surveys upon a larger scale than the receipts of the Land Fund would at the time justify the General Government in undertaking.

In such cases the Provincial Council might feel disposed to make advances from the share of the General Revenue which they are empowered to administer, for the purpose of increasing the survey staff and expediting the surveys, relying upon the probable increase of the Land Fund from such a measure, for the reimbursement of the expenses incurred in carrying out this plan.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands has accordingly received instructions that, if the Provincial Government should at any time undertake to pay the additional expense of the Survey Establishment, if increased beyond the limits which His Excellency has authorised, the Establishment is to be immediately augmented to such an extent as your Honor may guarantee the expense of. All the costs of the augmentation to the fixed Establishment must be paid directly by the Provincial Government, and not by the Commissioner. Even if the Land Fund should increase to such an extent as to enable the extra expense to be defrayed from it, that officer is not to appropriate it to such a purpose until His Excellency's authority has been received, but must disburse the Fund in the proportions directed by the general instructions on the subject.

I have, &c.

(Signed) ALFRED DOMETT,  
Civil Secretary.

His Honor the Superintendent  
of the Province of New Plymouth.

New Plymouth,  
October 29, 1853.

By Order of the Provincial Council the following Report and Estimates are published for general information.

C. W. RICHMOND,  
Acting Clerk of Council.

**REPORT**  
OF THE  
**SELECT COMMITTEE**  
ON THE  
**ESTIMATES.**  
October 18, 1853.

The Committee, in presenting to Council a report of the result of its inquiries, has to call attention to some alterations which it has been deemed advisable to propose, and which will be found in the amended Estimates annexed.

These suggestions are now submitted for the consideration of Council; but having on certain points no data to serve as a guide in estimating probable expenditure, the committee has in these cases either taken the sum named by his Honor, or put down such an amount as was considered likely to be sufficient to cover the outlay necessary for these purposes.

In the alterations made in the amended Estimates now presented to your notice, the opinion of the committee is not given without considerable diffidence, arising not from any unwillingness to express the conviction arrived at as the result of the evidence which has been obtained, but because the difficulty of forming a correct judgment on the wisest course to be pursued on many points is such, that the committee is not disposed to urge upon the Council to adopt its views in every case.

In the Superintendent's Department it is proposed to allow £250 as the salary of his Honor; because the committee considers the amount placed on the Estimates insufficient to admit of his maintaining the position in a manner creditable to the Province.

It has also been thought advisable that a house should be retained by Council as Superintendent's residence; since, whatever changes may take place, it must always be desirable that the Superintendent for the

time being should reside in the town. The sum of £40 is therefore proposed to be allowed for rent.

In the Department of the Provincial Council, the salary for the Provincial Attorney has been included in one sum with that of Clerk to Council, because no objection is seen to the union of the two offices in one individual, whilst an evident advantage would thus be derived from the council obtaining the services of a more efficient clerk than a due regard to economy in expenditure would probably admit of were a different course adopted.

With regard to the Provincial Treasurer, there is not sufficient evidence before the committee to admit of a decisive opinion being arrived at, whether it is expedient that a separate officer should exist, or whether the duties might not be discharged without the expense of an additional officer.

An amount has been placed on the Estimates providing for the payment of certain sums to the Speaker and Members of Council. On this subject the committee declines to express an opinion, but has deemed it advisable, considering the expenses which must be immediately incurred, and some of which, though necessary now, will not recur for a considerable time, to recommend nothing under that head in the present year.

In the Resident Magistrate's Department there appears no reason for making any alteration in the salary of the Clerk to the Bench, or in that of the Gaoler; although in the latter case it is the opinion of the committee that, whatever duties may fall upon the Inspector of weights and measures and the Inspector of slaughter houses, can be performed by the Gaoler without additional pay. The sum allowed for contingencies in this and other departments is estimated from the expenses of previous years, allowance being made for any extra outlay which may have appeared necessary.

The Harbour Department is one of the most important matters to which your committee has had to direct its attention. The necessity for placing it on a better footing appears so strong, that the committee has felt justified in recommending some considerable alterations (based upon the evi-

dence obtained), with the view of increasing the efficiency of a department, the importance of which to the prosperity of the Province can scarcely be over-rated.

The sum allowed for occasional boatmen has been estimated from the charges on that account for the past six months; but this is liable to considerable fluctuations.

With a view to secure a sufficiency of men at all times, and under all circumstances to man the pilot boat, and to serve as a nucleus for the cargo boats when required, the committee recommend engaging a permanent crew at the wages named.

As these men would not be entirely occupied with the boats, their services would be generally available on public works within such distances from the flag-staff as would not prevent them from being at hand when required by the Harbour Master. While, therefore, £390 for this crew appears under the head of harbour expenses, a portion of it is in reality chargeable elsewhere; but as the committee is unable to estimate the amount which should be deducted, the whole is left as a harbour charge.

The sum allowed for boat-shed, ropes, paint, repairs, &c., is considered insufficient, and is therefore proposed to be increased to £230. Of this, about one-half is a charge on the years' revenue, which would not be repeated for some time: the remainder would be an annual expense.

The amount placed by his Honor under the head of Armed Police Force, has given your committee much difficulty. A sum of £200, with horse allowance, is proposed for an Inspector of Police; but it appears from the best information obtainable, that but a small proportion of the duties performed by the gentleman holding this appointment belong to the Police Department. Without, therefore, questioning the necessity of his services as negotiator with the Natives for the purchase of land, the committee cannot admit the justice of charging the Province with his salary as Inspector of Police, when his services, as it appears, are not required in that department; and the committee considers that it should be, like

the salary of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, a first charge upon the Land Fund.

It is therefore proposed that in lieu of an Inspector the present Sergeant Major should be made Sub-Inspector, and have the addition to his salary named in the amended Estimates annexed.

Having carefully inquired into the efficiency of the police force as at present existing, the committee cannot recommend a less number than six privates to be continued; and has allowed in the amount proposed for contingencies for the issue of extra clothing to the men for night duty, in addition to the charges as calculated from the outlay of last year.

With regard to the Inspector of sheep, no opinion can be formed until the bill proposed to be introduced to you shall have regulated the duties of that officer; the salary is, therefore, left on the Estimates without alteration.

The allowance for rent of council chamber, furniture, printing, stationery, &c. &c. is what is supposed likely to be required; that for furniture, however, will not, like the rest, be an annual charge.

The committee has no evidence enabling it to form an opinion on the best manner of expending that portion of the Land Fund which will be available for the disposal of Council; but considering it is most consistent with true economy to engage the services of some competent person to give general superintendence to the roads and to the expenditure of money in improving them, have proposed to place upon the Estimates a sum for the Road Surveyor which it is considered will secure the services of a scientific person for that duty.

**Income.**

The committee are of opinion that it will not be prudent to anticipate a greater amount of available Customs Revenue than £2260 for the ensuing 12 months, but estimates that there will be in addition about £90 from Licences, and a further sum of £400 as receipts from the boating establishment.

The probable receipts from the Land Fund cannot yet be calculated with any

degree of certainty, but that portion likely to be payable to the Province may be put down at about £735.

(Signed) G. R. BURTON,  
Chairman.  
G. CUTFIELD.  
I. NEWTON WATT.

SELECT COMMITTEE'S  
ESTIMATE OF THE EXPENSES  
OF THE PROVINCE OF  
NEW PLYMOUTH.

For the year commencing 1st October, 1853,  
and ending 30th September, 1854.

<i>Superintendent's Department.</i>	
Superintendent's Salary ..	£250
Residence and Offices ..	40
Secretary ..	50
	340 0
<i>Provincial Council's Department.</i>	
Clerk of Council (also Attorney of the Province) ..	150 0
Provincial Treasurer ..	40
Clerk ..	0
	40 0
Attorney of the Province (also Clerk to Council) ..	0 0
<i>Magistrates' Court.</i>	
Clerk to the Bench ..	91 10
Gaoler (also Inspector of Weights and Measures, & Slaughter Houses ..	91 10
Interpreter to the Bench (also sub-Inspector of Police ..	0 0
Contingencies—Rations for Prisoners, &c. ..	30 0
	213 0

<i>Harbor Master's Department.</i>	
Harbor Master, with an annual increase of £10 ..	120 0
Coxswain ..	78 0
Six permanent boatmen, at £65 each per annum ..	390 0
Occasional boatmen ..	250 0
Boat-shed, capstan rope, out-haul rope, small rope, paint, tar, repairs, &c. ..	200 0
	1038 0
Coroner's Fees ..	5 0

<i>Armed Police Department.</i>	
Sub Inspector (also Interpreter) ..	125 0
Horse allowance ..	25 0
Six Privates at £65 each per annum ..	390 0
Contingencies ..	40 0
	580 0

Inspector of sheep ..	20 0
„ slaughter houses ..	0 0
„ weights & measures (also Gaoler) ..	0 0

<i>Miscellaneous.</i>	
Rent of Council Chamber ..	40 0
Furniture for ditto ..	20 0
Printing, stationery, &c. ..	150 0
Contingencies ..	50 0
	260 0
	£2646 0

<i>Chargeable on Land Fund.</i>	
Road Surveyor ..	125 0
Horse allowance ..	25 0
Roads, &c., and contingencies ..	500 0
	650 0
Total ..	£3296 0

Signed on behalf of the Committee,  
(signed) GEORGE RUTT BURTON,  
Chairman.



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PROVINCE OF NEW PLYMOUTH.

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VOL. 1.] NEW PLYMOUTH, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1853. [No. 4.

IN THE SEVENTEENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY  
QUEEN VICTORIA.

SESSION I. No. 1.

AN ORDINANCE

TO APPROPRIATE MONEY TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE  
PROVINCE OF NEW PLYMOUTH.

Analysis.

Title.	Quarter commencing 1st October 1853.
Preamble.	
1. Certain sums to be applied to the service of the Province for the	2. Treasurer to pay monies on warrants of Superintendent.

AN ORDINANCE to appropriate Money to the Public Service for the Province of New Plymouth.

Whereas it is expedient to make provision for defraying the charge of the Provincial Government of the Province of New Plymouth for the period of three calendar months commencing on the first day of October One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three: And whereas the Superinten-

dent of the said Province has recommended to the Provincial Council thereof to make provision for the specific services to which money is hereinafter appropriated.

Be it therefore enacted by the Superintendent of the Province of New Plymouth, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof:—

1. That for defraying the charge of the Provincial Government of the said Province

for the period of Three Calendar Months, commencing on the first day of October, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand eight hundred and fifty three, there may be issued and applied out of the general revenue of the said Province, for the several purposes and services, and at and after the annual rates specified in the Schedule to this Ordinance, the sum of eight hundred and six pounds, two shillings, and sixpence: *Provided always* that the several services specified in the said Schedule, under the head "Chargeable on Land Fund," shall not be provided for otherwise than out of the proceeds and profits of and attending the Sale, Letting, or other alienation of the Waste Lands of the Crown.

2. *And be it enacted* that the Provincial Treasurer of New Plymouth shall issue from time to time any sum or sums of money for the purposes hereinbefore referred to, not exceeding in the whole the sums respectively specified to such persons and in such portions as the Superintendent of the said Province of New Plymouth shall by warrant direct: And such Treasurer shall in his accounts be allowed credit for all sums paid by him in pursuance of such warrants; and the receipts of the persons to whom such sums shall have been paid, shall be to him a full discharge of the sum or sums for which such receipts shall have been given, and the amounts thereof shall be passed to his credit in account accordingly

SCHEDULE setting forth the annual rate at and after which the services hereinafter specified are to be provided for during the Quarter commencing 1st October, 1853.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT.

Superintendent's Salary .. .. .	£250	0	0	
Residence and Offices .. .. .	40	0	0	
Private Secretary .. .. .	50	0	0	£340 0 0

PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

Clerk of Council (also Attorney of the Province) .. .. .	150	0	0	
Provincial Treasurer .. .. .	40	0	0	
Clerk .. .. .	<i>nil</i>			40 0 0
Attorney for the Province (also Clerk of Council) .. .. .				<i>nil</i>

GAOL DEPARTMENT.

Gaoler (also Inspector of Weights and Measures, and Inspector of Slaughter House.) .. .. .	91	10	0	
Rations for Prisoners .. .. .	30	0	0	121 10 0

HARBOR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Harbor Master, (with an annual increase of £10 for 8 years) .. .. .	120	0	0	
Coxswain .. .. .	78	0	0	
Six permanent boatmen, at £65 each per annum	390	0	0	
Occasional boatmen .. .. .	250	0	0	
Boat-shed, capstan rope, out-haul rope, small rope, house for Native boatmen, paint, &c. .. .. .	220	0	0	1058 0 0
Coroner's Fees .. .. .				5 0 0

ARMED POLICE FORCE.

Sub Inspector (als Interpreter) .. .. .	125	0	0	
Six Privates at £65 each .. .. .	390	0	0	
Horse allowance for Sub-Inspector .. .. .	25	0	0	
Contingencies .. .. .	40	0	0	580 0 0
Inspector of sheep .. .. .				20 0 0

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rent of Council Chamber and various offices .. .. .	40	0	0	
Furniture for ditto .. .. .	20	0	0	
Printing, stationery, &c. .. .. .	150	0	0	
Contingencies .. .. .	50	0	0	260 0 0
				£2574 10 0

CHARGEABLE ON LAND FUND.

Road Surveyor .. .. .	125	0	0	
Horse allowance .. .. .	25	0	0	
Roads and contingencies .. .. .	500	0	0	650 0 0
Annual Total .. .. .				£3224 10 0
Sum voted for the Quarter .. .. .				806 2 6

Passed the Provincial Council this twenty-sixth day of October, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

I. NEWTON WATT,  
Speaker.

Assented to on behalf of the Governor, this fifth day of November, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

CHARLES BROWN,  
Superintendent.