

and 16 of 1917, dated 27th February and 18th September, 1917, respectively, mariners and others are hereby notified that on and after 8th March, 1918, the red sector in the Low Lighthouse, Queenscliff, marking the south-west passage of the West Channel, will be altered as follows:—

An occulting sector of light will be exhibited from the gallery of the Low Lighthouse showing red between the bearings of about S. 59 deg. W. and S. 64 deg. W., white between the bearings of about S. 64 deg. W. and S. 69 deg. W. (the present red sector), and red between the bearings of about S. 69 deg. W. and S. 74 deg. W.

The white sector marks the S.W. passage of the West Channel between the buoys marking the Royal George Shoal and Nos. 1 and 3 black can buoys indicating the edge of the bank to the northward, while the red sectors will warn mariners of their approach to the white sector.

The light will be of the following character: Light period, 2 seconds, followed by an eclipse of one-fifth of a second.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

INVESTIGATOR STRAIT AND BACKSTAIRS PASSAGE.—MARSDEN POINT, KANGAROO ISLAND.

Masters of vessels and others are hereby informed that the range of visibility of the "A.G.A." flashing white light (flashing ten times per minute) is about twelve miles in clear weather, and not eighteen miles as stated in above-mentioned notice.

Approximate position: Lat. 35° 34' S., long 137° 37' E. This affects Admiralty Charts Nos. 2389, 2389A, and 3641.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 18 of 1918.

AUCKLAND HARBOUR.—SUBSTITUTION OF BEACONS FOR BUOYS.

Marine Department, Wellington, N.Z., 13th March, 1918.

THE Auckland Harbour Board have notified that on and after 28th March, 1918, three buoys which now mark rocks in Rangitoto and Brown's Island Channels will be replaced by beacons as follows, viz.:—

Rock No. 1.—Situated 174° (S. 21½° E. magnetic) approximately 4,000 ft. from Rangitoto beacon light. An iron pile beacon surmounted by a staff and cage, the whole to be painted black, is to be placed on this rock. The top of the cage is to be 10 ft. above high-water mark. When the beacon is erected the black can buoy is to be removed.

Rock No. 2.—Situated 345½° (N. 29° W. magnetic) approximately 2,800 ft. from flagstaff on Takapuna Head. An iron pile beacon surmounted by a staff and globe, the whole to be painted red, is to be placed on this rock. The top of the globe is to be 10 ft. above high-water mark. When the beacon is erected the red conical buoy is to be removed.

Rock No. 3.—Known as Ilymana Rock, and situated between Islington Bay and Rangitoto Channel, with the following bearings: Emu Point bearing 82½° (N. 47° E. magnetic); trig. station, Motukorea Island, bearing 156½° (S. 39° E. magnetic). An iron pile beacon surmounted by a staff and globe, the whole to be painted red, is to be placed on this rock. The top of the globe is to be 10 ft. above high-water mark. When the beacon is erected the red conical buoy is to be removed.

Charts, &c., affected.—Admiralty Charts Nos. 1970 and 1896; "New Zealand Pilot," eighth edition, 1908, Chapter ii, pages 36-43.

GEORGE ALLPORT, Secretary.

Declaration of Result of Poll for the Southern Maori Electoral District.

I, HELYER WEDDERBURN BISHOP, Returning Officer for the Southern Maori Electoral District, do hereby declare the result of the poll taken on the 21st day of February, 1918, for the election of a member of Parliament for the said district to be as follows:—

Candidates.	Votes polled.
John Hopere Wharewiti Uru	237
Henare Parata	223
Teone Matapura Erihana	158
Total number of votes polled	618

I therefore declare the said JOHN HOPERE WHAREWITI URU to be elected.

Dated at Christchurch this 6th day of March, 1918.

H. W. BISHOP, Returning Officer.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Pastoral Lands classified in Canterbury Land District.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 2nd March, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners appointed to classify and report upon lands in Canterbury Land District have classified the pastoral runs in the Schedule hereto as therein noted, and the classification has been approved by His Excellency the Governor-General under section 225 of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—AMURI COUNTY.

Class A.—Pastoral Lands.

Being Lands suitable exclusively for Pasturage and not capable of being used with Profit in Areas of a Carrying-capacity of less than 5,000 Sheep.

RUN No.	Area.	Acres.
13, Glens of Tekoa	41,150	
235, Upper Mandamus	13,200	
14, Hossack	37,500	
302, Montrose	3,789	
O.L. 733, Upper Mandamus	18,432	

D. H. GUTHRIE, Minister of Lands.

Land in Otago Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

District Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin, 12th March, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands are open for sale or lease under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and the regulations thereunder; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 24th April, 1918.

The lands may be selected for cash or on deferred payments, or selected on lease for thirty-three years, with right of renewal for further successive terms of thirty-three years, and a right to acquire the freehold.

Applicants must appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Dunedin, on Friday, 26th April, 1918, at 10 o'clock a.m.

The ballot will be held at the conclusion of the examination of applicants.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Tuapeka County.—Benger Survey District.—Westcott Settlement.

Section.	Area.	Capital Value.	Instalment on Deferred Payment (excluding Interest).	Half-yearly Rent on Lease.
FIRST-CLASS LAND.				
1s	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2s	27 0 33	610 0 0	30 10 0	13 14 6
3s	17 2 12	520 0 0	26 0 0	11 14 0
4s	29 1 19	840 0 0	42 0 0	18 18 0
5s	23 2 9	670 0 0	33 10 0	15 1 6
6s	34 3 28	1,000 0 0	50 0 0	22 10 0
7s				*15 12 0
8s	21 1 34	470 0 0	23 10 0	10 11 6
9s	27 3 16	650 0 0	32 10 0	14 12 6
10s				74 10 8
11s	21 2 24	550 0 0	27 10 0	12 7 6
12s				74 6 5
13s	28 3 14	750 0 0	37 10 0	16 17 6
14s	41 2 22	950 0 0	47 10 0	21 7 6
15s				\$18 13 8
16s	33 1 2	760 0 0	38 0 0	17 2 0
17s	34 0 37	1,000 0 0	50 0 0	22 10 0
18s	37 1 33	680 0 0	34 0 0	15 6 0
19s	48 0 5	1,340 0 0	67 0 0	30 3 0
20s	50 1 33	1,430 0 0	71 10 0	32 3 6
21s	37 1 7	990 0 0	49 10 0	22 5 6
22s	211 0 0	1,860 0 0	93 0 0	41 17 0
23s	402 0 0	3,460 0 0	173 0 0	77 17 0
SECOND-CLASS LAND.				
19s	463 0 0	3,140 0 0	157 0 0	70 13 0
20s	244 2 0	1,950 0 0	97 10 0	43 17 6