

luxuriant crops of red and white clover, but is perhaps better adapted for grazing and root crops than for corn. Great parts of it are, however, at present covered by extensive swamps, but which, situated as they are, close to a river with so rapid a fall as the Waikato, can present no very great difficulties to their effectual drainage.

I cannot close my Report without bearing my testimony to the great accuracy of Dr. Hochstetter's geological map of this district, the general correctness of which, considering his short visit to the country and the ignorance that then prevailed with regard to its physical geography, excites my wonder and admiration, and it will be seen that I have seldom been compelled to differ with him, except as to tertiary rocks.

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