

INSTRUCTION in READING, WRITING, ARITHMETIC, and ENGLISH, and to read MAORI; with
RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION—1868.

MORNING.				EVENING.			
		No. of Scholars on the roll.	Average daily attendance.			No. of Scholars on the roll.	Average daily attendance.
July	...	24	10	May	...	20	8
August	...	27	8	June	...	17	7
September	...	20	5	July	...	27	13
October	...	21	6	August	...	28	10
November	...	14	6	September	...	29	11
December	...	19	5	October	...	22	9
				November	...	22	15
				December	...	22	12

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE—1869.

MORNING.				EVENING.			
		No. of Scholars on the roll.	Average daily attendance.			No. of Scholars on the roll.	Average daily attendance.
January	...	11	4	January	...	16	8
February	...	13	4	February	...	14	5
March	...	12	6	March	...	14	6
April	...	17	7	April	...	17	8
May	...	15	4	May	...	12	4
June	...	14	4	June	...	14	5
July	...	10	4	July	...	22	10
August	...	8	3	August	...	14	6
September	...	10	3	September	...	18	8
October	...	6	3	October	...	8	4
November	...	6	3	November	...	13	4
December	...	6	4	December	...	7	4

Motueka, 29th December, 1869. WM. RONALDSON.

Mr. F. Daw Greenwood, being duly sworn, states: My name is Frederick Daw Greenwood. I am Collector and Bailiff to the Bishop of Nelson of the Wakarewa Trust Estate. I have held this appointment since January, 1868. I will send a list showing the number of holdings,—the names of tenants,—the amount of rents respectively payable, and the dates at which the leases will determine—as far as I know them. I think that generally the leases are for fourteen years, on certain terms. When Bishop Hobhouse met the tenants he wished to raise the rents, as I understood. I am told the tenants refused, and that he made some agreement with them for a renewal after seven years. In 1873, I think most of them are to pay an increased rent. Mr. Sinclair has, I suppose, copies of the leases from the trust, and the tenants the originals. At present prices, in many cases, the rent is much below the marketable value of the land. With respect to Saxon's land, I was asked to report upon what rent should be paid. I surveyed all the land of fair quality, for which I estimated the rent should be 15s. per acre, which, from its position and quality, I thought a fair thing. There were a great many fences to be made, the Bishop finding wire, and the tenants agreeing to grub up old gorse fences and find posts. Bishop Hobhouse, I believe, had casued a barn and lean-to to be put up with reference to industrial training, on which Mr. Saxon was to pay 10 per cent. interest, and 2½ per cent. sinking fund. The Bishop had also advanced £200 to Mr. Saxon towards building a house on it; he was to pay the same interest and sinking fund. Mr. Saxon had also spent £200 of his own on the house.

I produce the ledger kept by my brother Mr. John Greenwood, since 1865. [This book appears regularly and properly kept—noted from time to time, “Examined and found correct,” with initials and signatures of Bishops Hobhouse and Suter.—A. D.] I consider Mr. Saxon's land is let on equitable terms, and that the money lent on perishable buildings at 12½ per cent. is favourable to him. I valued the land at what I considered Mr. Saxon could afford to give and make a living upon. Only about 55 or 60 acres, out of all his holding (about 400 or 450 acres), is good. The rest is barren hills, which I valued at 6d. an acre.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH DECEMBER, 1869.

Hakopa, being duly sworn, states: My name is Hakopa (Jacob). I have four children. Two go to the school. After this I won't send my children to the school, because the land will be taken from the children. It is only now that I do not wish to send them, so that they may get money for Wakerewa.

Mr. Charles Alley, being duly sworn, states: My belief is, that if I had a son old enough to go to the College here, he would be refused. I believe it from my acquaintance with Bishop Hobhouse. He told me the College was for the Maoris alone.

I consider there is much dissatisfaction existing that there is no school for Europeans supported out of this estate. The teacher at the Provincial Government school has only £110 a year, and the clergyman, Mr. Poole, gets £150, while Mr. Ronaldson has £285. I think there are several young men here, and also parents of children, who would be glad to pay weekly for education given by such a clergyman as Mr. Ronaldson. I think it is a great shame that that College is closed against white people. According to the Act the land was given for each.

William Andrews, being duly sworn, states: I have been nearly twenty years in this district, as assistant Wesleyan preacher. I always understood the College was to be for both races, but it has not