

15. If any dispute or question shall arise in respect of the drawing of lots, or of any selection to be made under this agreement, the same shall be determined by the Commissioner of Waste Lands, and his decision shall be final and conclusive, and not liable to be questioned in any Court of law on any ground whatever.

16. At the expiration of three years from the date of the commencement of occupation, the said George Vesey Stewart, and every other occupier, shall be entitled to a Crown grant of the land, on his proving to the satisfaction of the Waste Lands Commissioner that he has, during the whole of the previous three years, been in the *bonâ fide* occupation of the said land by continuous residence thereon, and that at least one-fifth part thereof is under cultivation.

17. The holder of a certificate of occupation shall also be entitled to a Crown grant at any time prior to the expiration of three years, on proof to the satisfaction of the Waste Lands Commissioner that the whole of the land comprised in the certificate is fenced and cultivated and a dwelling-house erected thereon.

18. The Waste Lands Commissioner, on being satisfied that any land comprised in any certificate has been *bonâ fide* occupied thereunder, shall, at the request of the person named in such certificate, authorize the transfer thereof to any other person, and the transferee shall have and be subject to the same rights, privileges, and liabilities as the person named in the certificate.

19. If an original holder of a certificate, or his transferee, shall cease to be in *bonâ fide* occupation of the land, such certificate shall become and be null and void, and all rights and privileges thereunder shall absolutely cease and determine.

20. If any question shall at any time arise as to whether any person has continued or ceased to be in *bonâ fide* occupation of the land, or otherwise fulfilled the before-mentioned conditions, such question shall be referred by the Waste Lands Commissioner to two or more Justices of the Peace, and the decision of such Justices shall be final and conclusive, and not liable to be questioned in any Court of law on any ground whatever.

21. In the event of the death of the lawful holder of any certificate before the issue of a Crown grant, the rights, privileges, and liabilities of such holder shall pass to his appointee in writing, and failing such appointment, shall pass to his personal representative, provided that he claims the same within two years from such holder's death; and failing such claim, the land shall revert to the Crown free of all claims and liabilities whatsoever.

22. If the said George Vesey Stewart, together with his family, and at least thirty families, shall not arrive in one ship at Auckland or Tauranga, in pursuance and part fulfilment of this agreement, before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, this agreement shall cease, determine, and be void; and neither the said George Vesey Stewart, nor any other person whomsoever, shall have any claim or demand to or in respect of the said land, or any part thereof, nor for any compensation on any account whatsoever in respect of the same, or of this agreement, or any matter or thing relating thereto or in connection therewith.

23. That if such thirty families shall arrive, as by this agreement required, before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, they shall be entitled at once to select their land, and the settlement shall be deemed to have been formed under this agreement; but the remainder of the said block of land of ten thousand acres shall be available until the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, but not afterwards, for such others of the said party as may arrive before that day, who shall be entitled to make their selection on arrival; and if two or more arrive at the same time, priority of choice shall be determined by lot.

In witness whereof the said George Maurice O'Rorke hath, on behalf of the General Government of New Zealand, hereunto subscribed his name; and the said George Vesey Stewart hath also hereunto subscribed his name, the day and year first herein written.

G. MAURICE O'RORKE,
Secretary for Crown Lands.
GEO. VESEY STEWART.

Signed by the said George Maurice O'Rorke, in the presence of—
THOS. BUDDLE,
Solicitor, Auckland.

Signed by the said George Vesey Stewart, in the presence of—
THOS. BUDDLE,
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The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(Telegram.) Wellington, 6th July, 1874.
"ROOPARELL," "Ballochmyle," "Court," "Buckinghamshire," "Awe," "Northampton," "Atrato," "Stonehouse," "Dunedin," "Wishart," "Nations." Notwithstanding orders for Otago, Canterbury, completed July, send Otago during August, September, emigrants selected by Adam, Burns, to extent five hundred each month; and same to Canterbury, selected by Duncan. These numbers addition to previous orders.

Featherston, London.

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