Mr. James Marshall, Totara Flat. Crown Lands Office, Nelson, 4th July, 1890. I have to inform you that the Land Board has refused your application for timber license over 200 acres, Totata Flat, as sections 31 and 18 of the Midland Railway Contract prohibit the Land Board ALFRED GREENFIELD,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

[Similar notices of refusal also sent to Messrs. Blair and Stratford, C. F. C. Algie, and T. H. Garth.]

Reefton, 2nd December, 1889. DEAR SIR,

We have applications which should, if possible, be dealt with at once, as they are for sawmilling, and the applicants wish to get to work at once in order to cut timber for Rees and Co.'s contract. One is for 200 acres lying to the south-east of Sections 72 and 73, Block XIII., Mawheraiti District, and of the main road, to be included within lines forming prolongations of the outer boundaries of these sections. The other is for a similar area behind the neighbouring sections, 75 and 76.

Can you kindly assess the relative value of those lands, in accordance with clause 33 of the contract, and wire me to Christchurch? I would not ask you to hasten it thus, only the people are anxious to get to work, and I do not want to put any obstacles in the way of people getting timber. While on this subject, I would mention that two men, named Shanks and McGill, have, I am told, applied for an occupation license for the Crown land lying to the west of the main road, just to the southward of the sections I have named, and that they intend cutting the timber off that land. Would it not be better that we should give timber licenses over that land also, as the holders of occupation licenses, of course, cannot legally cut it?

I will send you a formal application to assess the foregoing values on my return to Christ-

church, and only write thus to save time, if you can act on this.

Yours faithfully, H. ALAN SCOTT.

Alfred Greenfield, Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

(Telegram.) Crown Lands Office, Nelson, 9th December, 1889.

I assess the blocks of timbered land referred to in your letter of 2nd instant at £2 per acre. The second block covers Shanks and McGill's occupation license of 100 acres, which is held subject to three months' notice. Shall I give the notice? I cannot deal with the island near McInroe's at present, as it is not on the plan.

Alfred Greenfield, McInroe's at present, as it is not on the plan. H. Alan Scott, Greymouth.

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

I HEREBY apply, under "The Land Act, 1882," Appendix C, for a timber license of 80 acres of Crown land, the particulars of which are as follow:—District: Steeples. Boundaries: Northeasterly by Crown land; westerly by Section 7, Block I., and Crown lands; on other sides by Crown lands. Description: Bush land; flat.

John Joseph Nolan, Westport.

15th March, 1886.

Received at Westport, this 15th day of March, 1886, at 2 o'clock p.m.—E. C. Kelling, District Land Officer.

Refused: within area withdrawn for railway.—A. G. 30th September, 1886.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

I HEREBY apply, under "The Land Act, 1882," Appendix C, for a timber license of 80 acres of Crown land, the particulars of which are as follow:—District: Steeples, Block I. Boundaries: On all sides by Crown lands. Description: Bush land; flat.

15th March, 1886.

John Maher, Hokitika, Contractor.

Received at Westport, this 15th day of March, 1886, at 2 o'clock p.m.—E. C. Kelling, District Land Officer.

Refused: within block withdrawn for railway.—A. G. 30th September, 1886.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

I HEREBY apply, under "The Land Act, 1885," for a timber license of 1 acre of Crown land, the particulars of which are as follow:—District: Kawatiri. Boundaries: Bounded on all sides by Crown lands, situated about 60 chains from the railway-line and about 20 chains from the east bank of Jones's Creek. Description: Bush land.

15th December, 1886.

HENRY SULLIVAN, Jones's Creek, Logger.

Received at Westport, this 15th day of December, 1886, at 2.45 o'clock p.m.—And. D. Thompson, District Land Officer, Westport.

The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

I BEG that you will instruct your office to issue to me a timber license for six months. I wish to cut timber on Crown lands within the Nelson District, and particularly between Cobden, Taylorville, and Seven-mile Beach, north of Grey. I enclose £2 10s. post-office order, and have the honour to be John Kane, Greymouth,

Greymouth, 30th April, 1889.

c/o J. Perotti.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

I HEREBY apply, under "The Land Act, 1885," for a timber license of 100 acres of Crown land, the particulars of which are as follow:—District: Wareatea North. Boundaries: On the north by