

No. 6.

Christchurch Working-men's Co-operative Society (Limited),
Christchurch, New Zealand, 8th November, 1902.

DEAR SIR,—

Kindly book our order for 6 tons of flour in sacks, delivering 2 tons per week, commencing the week after next.

Mr. G. Heslop.

Yours, &c.,

MARK W. WOODFIELD, Secretary.

No. 7.

Irwell, 22nd November, 1902.

Re yours of 21st for pollard and bran: I cannot now supply you. I have joined the Millers' Co-op., and any orders must now be through them. I have come to the conclusion that it was the best thing for me to join the association.

Yours, &c.,

GEO. HESLOP.

Mr. Woodfield, Working-men's Co-op.

No. 8.

Christchurch Working-men's Co-operative Society (Limited),
Christchurch, New Zealand, 28th November, 1902.

DEAR SIR,—

Yours of the 22nd to hand, which came as a surprise after the conversation we had only a few days previously, and, while we see no advantage to yourself and much to the other party, we recognise that you have a perfect right to please yourself in the matter.

Kindly send the 4 tons which are still needed to complete our 6-ton order.

Yours, &c.,

Mr. G. Heslop.

MARK W. WOODFIELD, Secretary.

No. 9.

Christchurch Working-men's Co-operative Society (Limited),
Christchurch, New Zealand, 3rd December, 1902.

DEAR SIR,—

Yours of the 29th November to hand, in which you say you cannot send the 4 tons unless through the Millers' Association, and invite us to ask them to allow you to send the same.

I am instructed to reply that we have nothing whatever to do with the millers' trust, and have no intention of approaching them *re* this order. As you accepted our order for 6 tons in the terms of our letter of the 8th November by the fact of sending the first 2 tons, therefore we expect the remainder of the order completed, or proceedings will be taken for breach of contract.

Yours, &c.,

Mr. G. Heslop.

MARK W. WOODFIELD, Secretary.

No. 10.

(Private and confidential.)

The Trade Auxiliary Company of New Zealand (Limited),
For the Protection of Trade, Collection of Accounts, &c.,

DEAR SIR,—

Christchurch Agency, 12th October, 1903.

In reply to your inquiry as to the number of bakers who have filed in the Bankruptcy Court for the whole colony in the years 1897 to 1902, we beg to inform you that we have compiled a list from the digest of the *Mercantile and Bankruptcy Gazette*, and, after eliminating all recapitulations by checking with the *Gazette* files, we have obtained the following results:—1897—Bakers filed, 16; total of all bankruptcies, 403. 1898—Bakers, 11; all bankruptcies, 374. 1899—Bakers, 11; all bankruptcies, 380. 1900—Bakers, 8; all bankruptcies, 308. 1901—Bakers, 6; all bankruptcies, 219. 1902—Bakers, 3; all bankruptcies, 210. We enclose a typewritten list of the names of the bakers who have become bankrupt during the period under notice.

Yours, &c.,

THE TRADE AUXILIARY COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND (LIMITED),

T. G. Russell, Esq., Solicitor, Christchurch.

(G. R. WISE).

No. 11.

INSOLVENCIES IN BAKING TRADE.

1898.—Dockrill, Joseph, of Fairlie, Timaru; Glassford and Heron, of Napier; Johns, Edward, of Panmure, Auckland; Jounnax, William, of Wellington; Kroon, Johannes C., formerly of Timaru, now of Dunedin; McLean, John, of Green Island, Dunedin; Smith, S., and Smith, W., of Auckland; Veale, Oliver T., of Auckland; Wooller, Alfred, of Parnell, Auckland; Battershill, Henry T., of Dannevirke; McCarthy, Michael H., of Wellington.

1899.—Copp, John H., of Wellington; Barnes, David, of Richmond, Christchurch; Eastgate, Charles R., of Hokitika; Guigell, Edward, of Shannon; Revel, Henry, of New Plymouth; Robertson, James, of Hikurangi; Rolls, Mark, of Port Ahuriri, Napier; Sullivan, Robert, of Napier; Todd, Matthew, of Palmerston North; Waddell, Sophia Ann, of Auckland; White, Charles, of Richmond, Christchurch.