



TENDERS FOR INLAND MAIL SERVICE FOR 1895 AND 1896.

General Post Office, Wellington, August 29, 1894.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Chief Post Office, Auckland, until MONDAY the 8th October, 1894, for the conveyance of Mails between the undermentioned places for a period of two years, from the 1st January, 1895, to the 31st December, 1896.

- Postal District of AUCKLAND. 1. Ahirapa and Horekino weekly... 2. Auckland, Parnell, Harapipi, and Karamu, twice weekly... 3. Aponga and Waikakahi, weekly... 4. Auckland and Aroa Hill, daily... 5. Auckland and Hiko-por, thrice daily... 6. Auckland and Great Barrier, weekly... 7. Auckland and Mount Eden, daily... 8. Auckland and Mount to-Kill, daily... 9. Auckland and Western Springs, daily... 10. Auckland, St. John's College, and St. Holder's, daily... 11. Auckland Chief Post Office, Halfway Station, and Wharero, as required... 12. Auckland, clearing receivers within a radius of three miles, two carts, starting simultaneously, twice daily... 13. Ditto, with a radius of two miles, one cart, twice daily... 14. Auckland, handling service, as required... 15. Avondale, Titirangi, Brooklyn, and Huis, weekly... 16. Avondale, Titirangi, Brooklyn, and Huis, twice weekly... 17. Avonui, handling service, thrice weekly... 18. Whittin and Whittin Coast, thrice weekly... 19. Birkenhead, Freeman's, Albany, Dairy Flat, and Waiata, thrice weekly... 20. Bombay and Pukekohe, weekly... 21. Cambridge Bay and Port Charles, weekly... 22. Cambridge Railway Station and Post Office, as required... 23. Cambridge and Mairangi, weekly... 24. Cambridge and New Valley, weekly... 25. Cambridge and Waikare, weekly... 26. Cambridge and Waikare, weekly... 27. Cambridge and Waikare, weekly... 28. Cambridge, Irving Creek, and Teateas, thrice weekly... 29. Cambridge Post Office and Wharf, as required... 30. Cambridge, handling service, as required... 31. Devonport and Pahi twice weekly... 32. Devonport and Takapuna, thrice weekly... 33. Devonport, Takapuna, Waiata, Orewa, Waikare, and Waikare, weekly... 34. Devonport, Waikare, thrice weekly to Warkworth and weekly to Wellsford... 35. Drury, Rangirua, and Hombes, daily... 36. Elmerslie, Pukemare, Pakuranga, and Howick, daily... 37. Fairburn's, Victoria Valley, and Takahue, daily...

- 37. Frankton Junction, Hamilton, and Kiri-kiriwa, twice weekly... 38. Hamilton, Tamarewa, and Hautapu, thrice weekly... 39. Hamilton Whatawhata, Waitetuna, Okete, and Itaitai, twice weekly... 40. Helensville, Pahi, Kiriwai, Sarnotta, Tokatoka, Whakahara, Te-opuru, Aratahi, Mitata, Mangahara, and Dargaville, twice weekly... 41. Helensville and Pahi, Point Curtis, Pahi, and Matakoho, weekly... 42. Helensville and Parkhurst, twice weekly... 43. Helensville Railway Station and Post Office, daily... 44. Heron Point (Hawene), Omanaia, and Waiata, weekly... 45. Heron Point (Hawene), Motukaraka, and Broadwood, weekly... 46. Hikurangi, Otomoa, Opunahanga, Helena Bay, and Waingarua, weekly... 47. Hikurangi, Otomoa East, and Whananaki, weekly... 48. Horeke, Kōwhiri, Rawene, Waitapu, and Omarepe, weekly... 49. Howick and Whitford, twice weekly... 50. Hikurangi, Hukeroni, Towai, and Kawakawa, weekly... 51. Kaipara Flats and Taupo, weekly... 52. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 53. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 54. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 55. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 56. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 57. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 58. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 59. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 60. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 61. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 62. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 63. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 64. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 65. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 66. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 67. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 68. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 69. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 70. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 71. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 72. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 73. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 74. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 75. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 76. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 77. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 78. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 79. Kaipara and Awanui, weekly... 80. Oheaweai, Neawha, Kalkbake, Pūnikitara, and Tahoke, weekly... 81. Ohangai, Waikare North, and Kerikeri, weekly... 82. Okaiawa and Rangihua, weekly... 83. Omanaia, Uru, and Whirinaki, weekly... 84. Omarepe, Waianakau, and Kawerau, weekly... 85. Orehuanga, Mangere Bridge, and Mangere, daily... 86. Opauke and Maunganui Bluff, twice weekly... 87. Otahiri Railway Station and Post-office, twice daily... 88. Ohinewai Railway Station and Post-office, twice weekly... 89. Oxford North and Tapapa, weekly... 90. Pahi and Papanui, twice weekly... 91. Pahi landing service, as required... 92. Papanui and Mairangi, weekly... 93. Papanui and Papanui, weekly... 94. Papanui and Papanui, weekly... 95. Papanui, Ardmore, and Clevedon, daily... 96. Point Curtis, Pukekohe, and Waikare, weekly... 97. Pukekohe and Howick, thrice weekly... 98. Pukekohe, Pukekohe Valley, and Maungatawhiri, thrice weekly... 99. Port Albert and Wellsford, weekly... 100. Port Albert, Wharero, and Taupo, weekly... 101. Pukekohe and Pukekohe East, twice weekly... 102. Pukekohe and Pukekohe, twice weekly... 103. Pukekohe, Pukekohe, Mauku, and Waiuku, thrice weekly... 104. Raglan, Te Mata, Aotea, and Kawhia, weekly... 105. Rangirua and Aparimu South, weekly... 106. Rangirua, Church Hill, and Glen Murray, twice weekly... 107. Rangirua Railway Station and Post Office, twice daily... 108. Russell and Opua, twice weekly... 109. Rotorua and Galatia, weekly... 110. Rotorua, Atiamuri, Wairakei, and Taupo, weekly... 111. Rotorua, Atiamuri, Wairakei, and Taupo, twice weekly... 112. Rotorua Railway Station and Post Office, twice daily... 113. Tamarewa and Tawhara, twice weekly... 114. Tamarewa and Tawhara, thrice weekly... 115. Tamarewa Railway Station and Post Office, twice weekly... 116. Te Awamutu Railway Station and Alexandra, daily... 117. Te Awamutu Railway Station, Post Office, and Kihikihi, daily... 118. Te Awamutu Railway Station and Post Office, daily... 119. Te Kapa, handling service, as required... 120. Te Kapa, handling service, as required... 121. Te Kapa and Red Hill, weekly... 122. Tokatoka and Kennedy's Bay, weekly... 123. Tuakau and Newhero, weekly... 124. Waikare and Pukekohe, twice weekly... 125. Waikare and Waikare, weekly... 126. Waihou Railway Station and Post Office, daily... 127. Waimakau and Waikoukou, twice weekly...

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AUCKLAND AMUSEMENTS.

COLUMBIA RINK CARNIVAL.

VERY successful from every point of view was the plain and fancy dress carnival at the Auckland Rink last Wednesday. An immense concourse of spectators gathered to watch the gaily appressed rinkers. The decorations were lavish and tasteful, and an augmented band played excellent music. The Maypole figure was faultlessly gone through by the children trained by Professor James. It was an exceedingly pretty sight, and reflected the greatest credit on both the children and the Professor who trained them.

On Tuesday, 18th instant, a benefit will be tendered to Professor James, and we cordially wish him the biggest 'gate' of the season. He certainly deserves a 'bumper' house, for it is largely owing to his untiring efforts that patrons of the rink have enjoyed so well-conducted a season. Not that we wish to detract from Manager Vincent, but even his push and energy would scarcely have produced such satisfactory results without the assistance of so able a lieutenant as Professor James. All sorts of attractions are in preparation for the benefit, including the Maypole dance with limelight effects. These are some of the dresses at the carnival:—

- Ladies: Miss Dennis, Queen Elizabeth Page; Miss Green, Schoolgirl; Miss Ada Caulton, Snowdrop; Miss McCulloch, Snow; Miss Ada Caulton, Peasant Girl; Miss Wheeler, Barrister; Miss Calvert, Bohemian Girl; Miss M. Pesham, Gipsy Girl; Miss M. Syms, Flower Girl; Miss Harrop, Student; Miss Molloy, Mother; Miss Griffiths, Eva and Tony; Miss Goldie, Drummer Boy; Mrs Spencer, evening dress; Miss W. Hason, evening dress; Misses Ionia Parker, Lillie Colwell, May Feiham, Mabel Syms, May Bowden, Mrs. Hason, Tebourine Girl; Mrs Hogan, Grandmother; Miss Maroney, My Sweetheart; Gentleman: Mr Brown, Moor; Mr G. Rhodes, Navy; Mr Lockwood, Buckman; Mr McCormick, Viking; Mr J. Pelham, Irishman; Mr George, Hunter; Mr Henry, Henry IV; Mr S. Brown, Nigger; Mr R. Brown, Clown; Mr T. W. Gilling, Judge; Mr Parker, Ally Sloper; Mr G. Polham, Cricketer; Mr Zolitor, Man-of-War; Mr H. Syms, Charley's Aunt; Mr G. Parker, Negro; Master: Mrs. McKeffer, Baron; Mr. McKeffer, Baron; Mr. McKeffer, Naval Officer; Mr W. Haslam, evening dress; Mr G. Williams, Clown; Mr Dawson, evening dress; Mr B. Gibson, Cricketer; Mr Wilson, Jockey; Masters: Lewis Brown, James Hewar, Bertie Parker, F. Hogan, Eddie Mawer, and Bob Smith, Maypole Dancers.

MADAME TREVELLI'S CONCERT.

A CONCERT by the pupils of Madame Treveli, given on Saturday evening, proved distinctly successful. The benefits of good training were well exemplified. The pupils were, it was explained, singing merely as students of voice-production and deep breathing, and not as finished vocal artists. Mrs Mouzer, Mrs Rathbone, and Miss Siator were the three lady pupils. Mrs Mouzer, the first to make her appearance, sang two solos, and a duet with Mr Fuller. In all these she was successful, and earned hearty applause from the audience. Mrs Mouzer's voice is a pure soprano, light, but of good quality, and has been admirably trained.

With continued study she will, without doubt, become a welcome addition to one or other of the musical societies. Miss Siator, who has a strong soprano, although nervous, sang in a manner which told of careful teaching and capable learning. She sang what was unquestionably the most ambitious item on the programme so far as the pupils were concerned—a well-known aria from the 'Trovatore.' The care which had been bestowed in voice-training and the beneficial effects of deep breathing were here well exemplified. Unfortunately, we see from the daily papers Miss Siator is not going to remain in Auckland. She goes—so says the Star—to Fiji, and we agree with that paper that she will prove an acquisition to musical society there. Mrs Rathbone's voice, though not so strong as Miss Siator's, is well trained and pure, and of excellent timbre. She gained the goodwill of the audience by a very agreeable rendering of 'Remember Me no More,' and was in the second part encored for her singing of 'Only Once More.' All three ladies were recalled on every occasion, and received bouquets and flower baskets to an encouraging extent. Madame Treveli must be most warmly commended for her skill in training, and this was further exemplified in the case of Mr Quere, a baritone, who is also a pupil, and who sang a song, 'The Three Beggars,' in first class style. Mr Quere's voice is rich and full, and as in the case of the other pupils, shows the excellence of Madame's system of training.

THE BELLE COLE COMPANY.

THE high anticipations indulged in by music-lovers in Auckland concerning the advent of this popular Company were more than realized at their delightful concerts, which were a much appreciated treat. Madame Belle Cole is exceedingly popular, and is, in fact, one of the best, if not the best singer who has yet visited these shores. Her voice possesses the added merit of freshness to its other charms, and her audience testified their admiration by as many as three and four encores. Amongst the Company Mr Tom Jackson is, of course, an object of interest to Aucklanders, and the critics expressed themselves well satisfied with the improvement manifested in his singing since he left Auckland.

In spite of the fact that we have had a plethora of concerts lately, all good persons and true lovers of music will turn out to Mr A. Towsey's benefit on Thursday evening. Mr Towsey is one of the few people in Auckland who really understands music, and has done a great deal for the cultivation of true musical taste in Auckland. A glance at the programme printed elsewhere will show that even those who go not for Mr Towsey but a good concert will get their full money's worth.

THE Remora dances are and always have been the most popular of all private subscription dances. The date of the fourth dance is announced in our advertising columns, and should be well attended. The hall is without question the best for dancing purposes in Auckland, and the socials are excellently managed.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE DANCE.

WELLINGTON, August 30.

A DANCE was given last Monday night at Government House by Lady Augusta Boyle, in honour of her birthday. It was, I think, the nicest dance ever given at Government House, and it was thoroughly enjoyed by about one hundred guests. A great many beautiful presents were received by Lady Augusta, and among them were some magnificent bouquets, which were laid out in profusion in the drawing-room. Lady Augusta received in a lovely gown of white satin, plainly made and trained, and looked extremely well.

The decorations were as beautiful as ever, the long corridor and staircase being filled with tall bamboo plants, ferns, palms, etc., the lights there being shaded with pink. The ballroom mantelpiece was an artistic mass of yellow broom and pot plants, and the drawing-room and dining room were made beautiful with quantities of red and white camellias, violets, yellow daffodils, and palm plants. The lamps in the drawing room were shaded with yellow to match the yellow satin curtains and furniture. The billiard-room was used for light refreshments, and the dining-room was reserved for the richere champagne supper, which was daintily served on small tables all round the room. The supper was quite a feature, and included everything one could wish for.

Both the foursome and eightsome reels were danced, and also a Highland schottische, and for these we had a piper in Highland costume to play the bagpipes, the general effect being extremely good.

Mrs Johnston Stewart wore a lovely silver grey merveilleux brocade with black and trimmed with chiffon, and the Ladies Alice and Dorothy Boyle wore white frocks and tan-coloured shoes and stockings. Miss Fairchild, Miss Lett, and Miss Williams, cream satin trimmed with deep lace and flowers. Miss Williams, pale blue satin trimmed with white lace; Miss Hilda Williams, cream brocade and lace; the Misses (Walter) Johnston, handsome cream merveilleux gowns; Miss Mills (Dunedin), pretty yellow brocade with deep white lace berthe; Miss Butler, a pretty cream silk gown; Miss Lara Russell, white; Miss Mendie, pale blue; Miss F. Menzies, pale green and white striped gown with green sleeves; Miss Williams, Dunedin, blue and bonnet, pink; and there were also present Mr and Mrs Arthur Pearce, Dr and Mrs Collins, Mrs Dowell, Mrs Montgomery, Mrs H. Crawford, the Misses Turton, of Dunedin, Miss Gibson, of Dunedin, Miss Grierson, of Dunedin, Mrs. Dunedin, Miss Lett, of Dunedin, Captain Graham and several of H.M.S. Wallaroo officers, and Messrs Izard, Crawford, A. Russell, Dunstan, Pearce, Walters, Dransfield, Tripp, Anson, Goff, Fitzgerald, Hodson, Kelleston, Brooksmith, H. B. Wood, Woodbridge, Mink, H. B. Wood, Mink, H. B. Wood, Jackson, Leckie, Robson, Pysant, Cooper, Day, Dunstan, Buller, Colonel Fox, etc.

The dance did not, as is usual, break up at 12 o'clock, but was kept on till nearly one. There was one extra, which was played by Mr Day, King's band supplying the rest of the programme music.