

The Manukau Canal.

The committee of subscribers to the Waitemata - Manukau Canal scheme on July 16 conducted an excursion to the Whau Creek and along the proposed canal route to Karaka Bay, on the Manukau harbour. A large number of representative citizens and public men had been invited to inspect the country and among those present were Captain Duder, Messrs Brigham, Hamer, Professor F. D. Brown, Messrs Leyland, Arch. Clark, Suggett, S. Vaile, Julian, Thos. Finlayson, P. Devore, Geo. Basley, Cameron, Dennison, Harrison, Milroy, W. E. Wilson, H. Brett, Junr., Antley, Potter, W. Bailey, Kirk, Milroy, Houghton, W.H. Smith, Murdoch, Mahoney, Lambert, Wilkes, G. Winstone, Smeeton, Thornes, Philson. The expedition started at 9.30 in the Kuru, and proceeded up the Harbour to the Whau Creek. As the tide served, the launch had no trouble in navigating the creek as far as Archibald's brick yards, but there it was judged advisable to take on board a pilot well accustomed to the eccentricities of the stream. The original intention was to get up the stream as near as possible to the Avondale bridge, and then cover the rest of the journey by drag or on foot. However, the tide had now turned, and it became necessary to land about 1/4 mile below the bridge. At the bridge the drags were in waiting, and took the party nearly as far as the tidal end of the Whau creek. Thence the voyagers proceeded on foot, conducted by Mr H. Atkinson, whose knowledge of the country and familiarity with the project in all its aspects were of great service to the party, and helped to make the trip both interesting and instructive. From the highest point reached by the tide on the Whau to Karaka Bay is, perhaps, 1 1/2 miles, or rather less in a direct line. It was clear from the experience of the excursion that the Whau itself will require a great deal of clearing and dredging to make it serviceable for efficient transport. The fall of the tide is probably 10 feet or more, and though there is perhaps 15 or 18 feet of water in most parts of the channel at high water mark, this leaves a very small margin for an ebb tide. However, there is the Whau channel, a natural canal, already scoured out to within 1 1/2 miles of the Manukau. Beyond this point for some distance the proposed canal would follow the gully down which the stream has cut its way. The ground rises gently, and the course of the proposed work is very clearly defined. The only obstacle in the way is a ridge perhaps half a mile through, and rising to about 120ft above mean sea-level in the middle. On the other side of the ridge a gully runs up from Karaka Bay in a line with the course of the Whau; so that for perhaps five miles out of the six miles between the two harbours the canal would simply utilise two long natural depressions, and the greater part of the work, outside dredging, would consist in cutting the ridge. It is satisfactory to notice that the character of the country seems extremely favourable for work of this kind. The rock is mostly a soft sandstone, and the hard volcanic formations do not extend in that direction much beyond Mount Albert. Undoubtedly, even under such circumstances, the construction of the canal would be a work of great magnitude, but the gentlemen who inspected the ground seemed generally surprised that the natural facilities afforded by the proposed route were not better known and appreciated, and the excursion will certainly increase the interest that is already widely taken in this important scheme. The thanks of all concerned are due to Mr Atkinson and to Mr A. J. Furness for the promotion and successful conduct of a very enjoyable trip.

Auckland Teachers.

LIST OF PROMOTIONS.

A supplement to the "New Zealand Gazette" of June 30th, 1903, gives the following promotions of Auckland teachers:—

Grade B1: William J. Gatenby, B.A. Grade D1: Henry P. Andrew, Alfred N. Bowden, Maud H. Burfoot, Donald R. F. Campbell, William L. Cox, Michael F. Daly, Arthur J. B. Goulter, Elsie D. Grant, Thomas W. G. H. Hammond, Joseph J. Qeaney, Norman H. S. Law, William Lloyd, James D. McNaughton, Arthur M. Perry, James W. Rennick, Francis D. Woods.

Grade E1: George Barber, Jane E. Boxall, Mary B. Jackson, Edward A. Power, Magdalen L. Russell.

Grade B2: George Brown, B.A. Grade C2: William J. Wernham.

Grade D2: Eleanor Ball, Margaret Butcher, William J. Cahill, Alice M. Caldwell, Albert W. B. Davis, Emma Gilbrand, Elizabeth M. Goldsworthy, Elizabeth M. Halliwell, William N. Ingram, Susanna Johnston, Alfred J. T. Judkins, William O. Lamb, William Lower, Edward Perkins, Albert L. Sheppard, George A. Somerville, Agnes G. Stewart, Estelle A. Tisdall, James Vuglar, Chas. Wilson.

Grade E2: Margaret E. Carson, Theodosia M. Cooper, Mabel Crabtree, Emily M. L. Haenusler, Jane E. Hefford, Eveline M. Holloway, Kate A. Kelly, Mary C. Kelly, Walter H. Lorking, Emma L. Mellsopp, Josephine Ray, Thomas Rodgers, Elizabeth Sutton, James Sutton.

Grade A3: Ebenezer Wilson, M.A.

Grade D3: Robert H. R. Bayly, Frank E. Blakey, Emily Rongard, Robert Carnahan, Bertha Cragg, Arthur E. Day, Henry J. F. Downard, Anee B. Fraser, William G. Graham, Maud L. Greep, Sylvia E. Hall, Frederick W. Hare, John H. Hill, Jane Johnson, Laura M. Kelly, Eleanor G. Kendon, Albert J. Long, Albert G. Menzies, Agatha G. Moodie, Lydia Pegler, Ellen M. Pigott, Elizabeth A. Robinson, Florence K. Robinson, Ellen E. Sinclair, Edgar F. Snell, Alice M. Toy, Harold J. Woolter.

Grade E3: Evelyn L. Brett, Annie Carter, Ellen Condy, Margaret A. I. G. Dean, William F. Dean, John S. Doull, Maude E. Driver, Frances H. Fawcett, Winifred Gilibrand, Percy J. Hook, Edith A. McRae, Evelyn C. Vos.

Grade D4: Edward W. R. Caddy, Edward H. Mackay, Mary E. Ponsford, William C. Wilson.

Grade E3: Hugh W. Crawford, Florence E. Hamley, Griffith R. Jones, Annie E. Lysaght, George H. Matthews, Albert Murdoch, Henriette Reid, Jacob T. Teesdale, Lillian Young.

Grade D4: Sarah M. Allely, Frederick C. Attwood, William J. Boden, Herbert Fenwick, Hewett B. Hewett, Ida Mill.

Grade F4: Robert E. A. Baird, Harold I. Blow, Catherine A. Bryant, Mabel E. Conway, Lucy Hamilton, Florence N. Hewitt, Alfred C. Hook, Wilfred L. Hughes, Eden H. Joyce, Arthur F. Laing, Thomas E. A. Mackay, Winifred T. Metge, Anna M. Monstedt, Alice R. Phipps, Charles Roberts, Florence M. Wells.

Grade E5: Harry Atkins, Joshua S. Leeb.

Licensed to Teach: Arthur Mabbet, Emilie M. Reid, Elizabeth M. Ryan, Mary J. K. Wilson.

A somewhat startling incident which occurred in the Auckland harbour one night last week shows the necessity of providing adequate lights upon log rafts when they are being towed. The Devonport Ferry Company's steamer Britannia was steaming across the harbour from Devonport about 6.45 o'clock. The night was dark and a tug happened to be towing a long raft of timber past the railway wharf. When making for the channel between the railway wharf and Queen-street wharf the Britannia encountered the raft, but fortunately was reversed in time to prevent a disastrous impact. A collision could not be avoided, but very little damage was done to the steamer. The incident caused considerable excitement on board.

New Kind of Clock.

A Geneva firm has just placed on the market a clock of novel construction. It is an alarm clock, and phonograph combined. Thus, if you speak into the mouthpiece the words: "I have an appointment at three with Mr Richard Seddon," and turn the indicating figure to the hour named, at that hour the phonograph speaks your words, to remind you.



"One way in which this clock could be used," said a local watchmaker who was explaining the invention, "would be, if you were run down and out of health, as I was, to let the clock remind you after each meal to take a dose of Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people." Mr F. Robilliard, of Ashburton, is one watchmaker, at least, who would make his clock give that advice three times a day.

"My health was quite run down," he says. "I always felt weak and tired. I lost all energy and perseverance. My whole system needed toning up and invigorating. I began to loathe the sight of food, and everything I ate brought on indigestion. After meals I suffered from tightness across the chest, pains in the small of my back and extreme weakness. I was under medical treatment but gained no strength. Then, I read of many New Zealanders whom Dr. Williams' pink pills had cured. I made quite sure that I got the genuine N.Z. pills packed in small wooden boxes. The first box braced me up a bit and enriched my blood. Three boxes made me a strong, healthy man again. Now all the symptoms of debility and indigestion have been replaced by hard muscle, vigorous energy and perfect health. I eat heartily, sleep sound, and wake every morning as bright as a lark."

Indeed, these wonderful cures effected by these pills are attracting the attention of everybody. Only last week there appeared in this journal an account of the cure of Miss Maud Copland, by Dr. Williams' pink pills after she had been treated without the slightest benefit at Auckland and Wellington Hospitals. Miss Copland lives at 14, Hankey-street, Wellington, and for fourteen years she was crippled with spinal paralysis. In all these years the greatest doctors in the land could not do for her what these wonderful blood-building pills did in a few weeks. Formerly she was too weak and thin to rise from bed. In fact she was paralyzed—but now she takes long walks regularly and enjoys them thoroughly. She eats splendidly and sleeps soundly, and is the picture of health. Recently she called in at the office of the Company, Old Customs House-street, Wellington, and told with sincere thankfulness the story of her wonderful restoration to health.

Miss Copland, of course, would have been a cripple still if she had used any cheap imitation or substitute for the genuine New Zealand Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people, made from the special formula to suit this climate. These genuine N.Z. pills are always put up in small wooden boxes. Never on any condition accept any pink-dyed pills sold loose or any unscrupulous substitute put up in small glass bottles. Mr Robilliard and Miss Copland took the genuine pills regularly after each meal. They derived such benefit from them that they never need a Phonographic Clock to make them remember them.

I hear from an authoritative source that the representatives of the Oceanic Steamship Co. have intimated that the present subsidy is not sufficient, and that an increased subsidy will be required if the service is continued. Considering the present feeling amongst members this is unfortunate, and is unlikely to be agreed to; in fact, a card pricked shows the service is hanging in the balance under the present subsidy. Southerners raise the objection that the owners of the service make a convenience of the colony and compete against New Zealanders good in Tahiti, where they run direct steamers.—Parliamentary Reporter.



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