

THE SETTLERS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
 FOR OREWA, WAIWERA,
 MAHURANGI HEADS, WARKWORTH.
SPECIAL NOTICE.
 Excursion to Waitara, Orewa, Mahurangi
 Heads, Kawau Island, and Mullet Point every
 SATURDAY at 2 p.m., returning to arrive at
 Auckland 9 a.m. every MONDAY.
S.S. CLAYMORE.
 Leaves Auckland: Leaves Warkworth:
 Sat., 10 a.m. Fri., 6 p.m.
 Sun., 8 p.m. Mon., 8 a.m.
 Mon., 11 a.m. Tues., 10 p.m.
 Tues., 10 a.m. Wed., 11 p.m.
 Wed., 11 a.m. Thurs., 11 p.m.
 Thurs., 11 a.m. Fri., 12 p.m.
 Fri., 12 a.m. Sat., 12 p.m.
 Sat., 12 a.m.

S.S. KAWAU.
 FOR KAWAU, MANGAWAI, AND
 PAKIRI.
 Leaves Auckland: Leaves Mangawai:
 Mon., 8 a.m. Tues., 9 a.m.
 Mon., 8 a.m. Tues., 9 a.m.
FOR KAWAU, OMAHA, AND TAKATU—
 Leaves Auckland: Leaves Omaha:
 Wed., 10 a.m. Thurs., 11 a.m.
 Thurs., 11 a.m. Fri., 12 a.m.
 Fri., 12 a.m. Sat., 12 p.m.

S.S. KOTIKI.
 FOR MATAKANA AND MULLET POINT
 Leaves Auckland: Leaves Matakana:
 Mon., 8 a.m. Tues., 9 a.m.
 Mon., 8 a.m. Tues., 9 a.m.
**FOR WAUHU, OMAHA, AND GRUT'S
 OREWAI HOUSE.**
 Leaves Auckland: Leaves Orewa:
 Sat., 11 a.m. Mon., 12 p.m.
 Sat., 11 a.m. Mon., 12 p.m.
S.S. OREWA.
 Leaves Auckland: Leaves Orewa:
 Sat., 11 a.m. Mon., 12 p.m.

WANTED.—Young girl to mind
 children and assist in house.
 Apply, Bridge House, Warkworth.

THE BAKING POWDER "par excellence"
 is SHARLAND'S MOA BRAND
 BAKING POWDER.
 Every constituent is
 wholesome and pure.
 Ask your grocer for it.

BARTON'S

 ROYAL MAIL COACHES.

AS OLD King Sol has been trying
 to get the best of the County
 Council all the winter and after a
 tough fight the honours rest with him
 I am still able to run to time.
**CHEAP FARES AND FREIGHTS
 TO WAYBY AND WELLSFORD.**

J. BARTON,
 Mail Contractor.

ALL the bouquet and flavour of
 the finest lemon fruit
 is preserved in SHAR-
 LAND'S CLOUDY
 LEMON SQUASH.
 Sold at all stores.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

**THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN
 & MERCANTILE AGENCY
 COMPANY, LIMITED.**
 HOLD THEIR NEXT SALE
 AT WARKWORTH ON WEDNES-
 DAY, DECEMBER 27.

The undersigned will sell at their
 yards at above date.
 All proceeds of sales are immediately
 lodged to a

CONSIGNMENT TRUST ACCOUNT,
 And Account Sales rendered with the
 utmost promptitude.

CLEARING SALES can be arranged for
 as required.

FRANK BODLE, Manager.
H. O. NOLAN, Auctioneer.

Piquant, pleasant, purifying—
 SHARLAND'S CLOUDY LEM-
 ON SQUASH. Made from the
 very finest fruits supplied by local
 and Australian orchards. A
 drink for the gods. On sale at
 all stores.



**DID IT EVER
 STRIKE
 YOU**

**THAT THERE'S MONEY
 IN
 BUTTER.**

Geo. Guest & Sons are prepared to
 purchase an

**UNLIMITED SUPPLY OF
 BUTTER**
 from settlers at current market rates,
 and have entered into arrangements to
 supply direct to home markets.
FURTHER BENEFITS.
 We intend after paying all freight
 and expenses to divide *pro rata* with
 suppliers all profits accruing.
GUEST & SONS,
 Central Store, Warkworth.

GUM LICENSES.

RODNEY GUM DISTRICT.
 Licenses to dig or buy gum
 within the Rodney County Gum
 District for the year 1906; may be
 taken out or renewed from any of the
 following rangers.

C. R. ANDERSON, Matakana
 T. Inger, Port Albert
 Constable Moss, Mangawai
 S. Cooper, Great Barrier
 Carl Werner, Great Barrier.
 Proceedings will be taken against
 persons failing to comply with the re-
 quirements of the Kauri Gum Indus-
 try Acts.
L. P. BECROFT,
 Chairman,
 Rodney County Council.
 January 4th, 1906.

RODNEY COUNTY.

DOG REGISTRATION.

DOG COLLARS are obtainable
 from, and dogs can be regis-
 tered, for the year 1906, by
 The Registrar, County Office,
 Warkworth, or any of the following
 Deputy Registrars:—

C. R. ANDERSON, Matakana
H. H. TINDALL, Matakana
J. E. SALT, Pakiri
C. SCHISCHKA, Pakiri
 Constable Moss, Mangawai
 Thos. Inger, Port Albert
 L. B. WYATT, Kaipara Flats.
 Dog owners failing to effect regis-
 tration within one month of this date
 are liable to prosecution without further
 notice.
L. P. BECROFT,
 Chairman,
 Warkworth, January 4th, 1906.

**A PROPOSITION FOR THE BOYS.
 START IN BUSINESS ON OUR
 CAPITAL!**

We want every boy in Australia,
 Tasmania, and New Zealand to unite
 for our great

BUSINESS PROPOSITION.
 Every boy should have a business of
 his own. All he requires is brains and
 push—we furnish the CAPITAL. You
 take no risk. This proposition is for
 boys who want to get on in the world
 and will work; we have nothing to
 offer a lazy boy.
 This offer is in connection with the
 circulation of *The Red Funnel*—the
 largest, most interesting, best illus-
 trated magazine in the British Empire.
 For all particulars apply at this Office.

FOR SALE.—5 building sections
 in excellent position. £25 apiece.

FOR SALE.
FIRST GRADE and second grade
 and pure bred Jersey heifers.
 Also pure bred Jersey bull 18 months
 old. Reasons for selling because farm
 overstocked. For prices and particu-
 lars apply to

JOHN BLAIR,
 Greenlaw,
 Matakana.

FOR SALE.
210 ACRES, Matakana, house of
 11 rooms, large shed with
 loose box, stables, cowshed and all
 combined. Concrete courtyard. Plenty
 water, running streams, sandstone for-
 mation. Thirteen acres excellent or-
 chard. Ring fenced and divided into
 eight paddocks all in grass. Price
 £1300, or as a going concern including
 furniture, stock, thoroughbred stallion,
 pure bred Jersey cattle and pedigree
 bull, etc., £2300. A real bargain,
 apply P. W. Moore, R. and O. TIMES,
 Warkworth.

G. E. THOMPSON,
 BUTCHER, Port Albert.

**Only primest beef, mutton and sausages
 kept.**
Cash buyer of bones, fat, and skins.

**When you ask for SHARLAND'S
 MOA BRAND BAKING
 POWDER—see that you get
 it. Personal interest may seek
 to supply another. YOUR
 personal interest demands
 SHARLAND'S and no other.
 Your storekeeper can supply it.**

FIREWOOD. FIREWOOD.

FRED CIVIL.
BEGS to notify that he has started
 a firewood yard in Warkworth
 and is prepared to supply in any
 lengths from 7 inches (stove lengths)
 to four feet.
 Stove lengths 8s per ton at the yard.
 Four foot lengths 6s 3d.
 Cartage extra.
 Orders may be left with Messrs
 Civil Bros. or Mr H. Southgate.

**MAHURANGI PRESBYTERIAN
 CHURCH.**

**THE
 ANNUAL SOIREE**
 will be held in the
MASONIC HALL, WARKWORTH,
 on
 Thursday, January 11th, 1906.
 A good programme is promised.
 Tea at 6 p.m. Concert at 8 p.m.
TICKETS 2s each.

**TO THE ELECTORS OF MARS-
 DEN.**

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—
ALLOW me to tender to you my
 sincere thanks for the noble
 efforts you made to secure my return
 on polling day.
 Although failing to secure a victory
 in Marsden, we are amply compensa-
 ted by the glorious victory of the Govern-
 ment throughout the colony.
R. THOMPSON.

**CHEAP READING.
 A RARE CHANCE.**

Lovers of good reading have a splendid
 chance of securing copies of the following
 leading magazines at exceptionally low
 rates:—
 1905, 11 months McMillan, 1904, 12 mos.
 McMillan; 1905, 11 mos. Cornhill, 1904, 11
 mos. Cornhill; 1904, 12 mos. 19th Century;
 1904, 12 mos. Windsor; 1904, 12 mos. Strand;
 1904, 12 mos. Chambers; 1904, 12 mos.
 Longman.
 No responsible offer refused. Apply **Times
 Office.**

STRAYED.
 From my farm, Dome
 Valley, three cows. One white,
 one roan with white head, branded J.
 W. on rump, and one fawn colour, ear
 marked in middle. Probably have
 calves. Any person retaining these
 cows on and after this date will be
 prosecuted.
T. C. PETERS,
 Dome Valley.
 December, 19th, 1905.

**The Auckland Farmers'
 Union Limited.**
 Stock Sales for January, 1906.
WARKWORTH, Wed., 24th.
 To be offered
WOOD LEE FARM, consisting
 of 196 acres 2 miles from
 Warkworth. This handy farm is most
 well fenced, about 60 acres grass, balance
 mixed bush, etc., 84 acres orchard.
 House of six rooms with water laid on.
 All necessary outbuildings, cowshed,
 stable, trap-house, grain store, etc.,
 built of concrete, wood and iron. Also
 adjoining this farm 359 Acres good
 bush land with plenty of Para. and
 other valuable timber about 60,000
 feet of Kauri included in this is a
 valuable piece of gum land. The
 properties will be offered separately.
 Terms can be arranged.

WANTED KNOWN.

J. P. HORNER desires to thank all
 residents of surrounding dis-
 tricts of Warkworth for past favours
 during the past 5 years, and he wishes
 further to say that the undimentioned
 address will always find him: Raglan
 Cottage, Runnel street, Auckland.

DIFFERS from all others—in its in-
 gredients and in its wholesome-
 ness—does **SHARLAND'S
 MOA BRAND BAKING POW-
 DER.** It contains neither cream
 of tartar nor tartaric acid. Ask
 for it and get it.

NO Picnic basket is complete
 without a bottle of SHAR-
 LAND'S CLOUDY LEMON
 SQUASH. For Summer
 weather there is no drink to
 compare to it. All store-
 keepers supply it.

When the palate has become dull
 and unresponsive, when other
 drinks pall—try SHAR-
 LAND'S CLOUDY LEMON
 SQUASH. Connoisseurs are
 delighted with it. Your gro-
 cer has it.

A new drink—pleasant, refreshing,
 tonic, and appetising—SHAR-
 LAND'S CLOUDY LEMON
 SQUASH. Nothing like it on
 the market. Get a bottle from
 your storekeeper.

PLANOFORTE.
MISS McNEISH

IS prepared to take pupils for the
 above (quarterly) payments.
 SINGING: Pupils are also solicited
 for vocal instruction.
TERMS on application to **TIMES** office.

MILLS.
SEABORNE.

Mails close 30 minutes before
 date of departure of steamer.
INLAND.
 For Pakiri, Waitara, Orewa, Wade, Takapuna
 Devonport, and Auckland, on Tuesdays,
 Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 7.30 a.m.
 For Siramiandis, Kaipara Flats, Tauboa,
 Wayby, Waikato, Wharehine, Port
 Albert, on Mondays, and Fridays, at
 2.30 p.m.
 For Mullet Point and Matakana, Lower, Matakana,
 Kawau, Pakehi, Leigh, Hoto, North, Te Arai,
 North Albert, Manukoro, Manganui,
 Kawakawa, Papanoa, and Matakoho, on
 Fridays, at 2.30 p.m.
J. RAMSAY,
 Postmaster.

AN ideal Summer Beverage—
 tonic and tasty—SHAR-
 LAND'S CLOUDY LEM-
 ON SQUASH. It is made
 only from the finest lemons.
 To be had at all stores.

TELEPHONE 1168.
G. P. MURRAY,
 SURGEON DENTIST,
 UPPER SYMONDS-ST., AUCKLAND.
 Attends at Mrs Edwards', Wark-
 worth, last Wednesday in every month.

R. W. ALISON, JUN. **EARNEST ALISON.**
ALISON & ALISON.
 SOLICITORS—
 Wright's buildings, 17, Fort Street,
 AUCKLAND.
 Money to lend on first-class security at
 lowest rates.

CHURCH SERVICES.
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st.
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

METEORIC CHURCH.
 Warkworth, 11 a.m. Mr Chaplin
 7 p.m. Rev. Griffin
 Dome Valley, 11 a.m. Rev. Griffin
 Kaipara Flats, 2.30 p.m. Rev. Griffin
 Wharehine, 11 a.m. Mr Bacon
 Fort Albert, 2.30 p.m. Mr Bacon
 Pakiri, 10.30 a.m. Mr French
 Little Omaha, 2.30 p.m. Mr French
 Big Omaha, 7 p.m. Mr French
 Whangape, 2.30 p.m. Mr Witten

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1906.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.
 The new maize is being pushed on
 space by Mr Zanders.
 In our next issue will appear the
 prizes winners of the Kaipara Flats
 school exhibition.
 An effort is being made to hold a
 hack race meeting and foot sports in
 Warkworth at an early date.
 Elsewhere the Rodney County Coun-
 cil notify the appointment of dog regis-
 trars and kauri gum tax collectors.

A committee meeting of the Rodney
 Agricultural Society takes place at
 Bridge House, this (Saturday evening)

Messrs Driver Bros. are busy erec-
 ting additions to their fruit factory on
 the river bank in preparation for the
 coming season.

The shark fishing industry is getting
 well under way again. Two or three
 local men have decided to try their
 luck catching the monsters.

The starting of a smoked fish factory
 and the supplying of fresh fish regu-
 larly in Warkworth is being spoken of.
 Properly conducted this should be a
 profitable enterprise.

Mr J. C. Hawkin, Noxious Weeds
 Inspector, returned from Auckland on
 Thursday and is once more pursuing
 the obnoxious blackberry. Mr Haw-
 kin visits Pakiri on Saturday (to-day).

Mr Menzies, Government Road En-
 gineer, arrived in Warkworth on
 Thursday and proceeded to lay out the
 work for the new road into Warkworth,
 from the Auckland road to the post
 office.

A minister, whose name shall not be
 mentioned, was visiting the Mahurangi
 Heads district during the Xmas and
 New Year holidays, and had an unpleas-
 ant experience when returning to Wait-
 wera through his horse dropping dead.

Splendid weather prevailed for the
 Xmas and New Year holidays, and
 Mahurangi Heads and Waitara were
 scenes of gaiety and merry-making by
 large numbers of excursionists from
 Auckland. Kawau Island was equally
 patronised on both days.

Warkworth had no inducements for
 the New Year holidays, but those who
 visited Tauboa and Daere's Claim re-
 ceived a pleasant day's outing. Pakiri
 had the usual New Year's dance and
 large numbers rolled up from all parts
 of the district and spent a merry
 evening.

On Thursday next the annual soiree
 and concert in connection with St. Co-
 lumba's will take place in the Masonic
 Hall, Warkworth. An excellent tea
 will be provided, followed by a first
 class concert. The admission, two
 shillings, is within the reach of every-
 one and a crowded house should result.

The annual regatta promises an ex-
 cellent day's sport on Saturday next,
 13th inst. Great competition is ex-
 pected in the motor boat race, and in
 the pulling races interest runs very
 high and boats are being specially
 built to uphold the honour of the dif-
 ferent districts to be represented. An
 excursion steamer leaves Warkworth
 regatta day, and a most pleasant day's
 outing may be confidently looked for-
 ward to.

A Malicious Act.
 Some person or persons of a distinct-
 ly degraded nature have been inter-
 fering with the local tennis court in a
 most filthy manner. The object of the
 act we fail to understand, but of the
 party or parties which vent their spite
 on some member of the club in this
 manner we can only say they have
 sunk to the level of the lowest
 caste of blackguard. The matter is in
 the hands of the police and we trust
 the miscreant or miscreants will be
 quickly traced and the rigour of the
 law dealt with to the fullest extent.

Correspondence.
SUNDAY TRADING.

TO THE EDITOR.
 Sir,—We were considerably sur-
 prised at your publication of a letter
 under the above heading in last week's
 issue; the writer of which saw fit to
 suppress his name; charging us with
 Sunday trading at Waitara. It is
 needless to say we would not approve
 of, nor allow anything of the sort.
 On making enquiries we learn our
 Manager, Mr Roseman, who is also in
 charge of the telephone office at the
 store had received a message from
 Warkworth with the news of the
 Kapaniui fatality. On making the in-
 formation known to the milk carriers,
 they gathered round to learn what
 could be learnt and discuss the lost es-
 pecially of Frank Clark whose cheery
 personality had won wide friendship.
 —We are, etc.,
Civil Bros.
Storekeepers.
 Warkworth & Waitara.
 January 3rd, 1906.

PULHAM'S ROAD.

TO THE EDITOR.
 Sir,—As a ratepayer, I would like
 to ask Messrs Wilson or Morrison when
 they are going to call tenders for met-
 talling Pulham's road. It is the main
 road in the Ward and it is about time
 something was done. Mr Wilson has
 got a good metal road down to his
 Lime Works, and I think he might
 study the interests of the ratepayers
 now he has got his road done, and put
 a few yards of metal on a road which
 we all use. In reply to ratepayer, he
 says he is trying to do some good.
 We do not want men on the Board
 that are trying to do good, what we
 want is men that are doing good, not
 trying to. We have in Mr Barton a
 Road Board member whose lifelong
 experience of road and road work fit
 him in every way to fulfil the duties
 imposed upon him by Rodney County
 and Warkworth Road Board. A man
 who knows where and when to spend
 the ratepayers' money to the best ad-
 vantage. Hoping that Messrs Morris-
 son and Wilson will do something ere
 the summer is past.—I am, etc.,
RATEPAYER.

Lively Passengers.

A cablegram to Captain Hiram K.
 Whiffin, master of the *Chutney Wal-
 lah*, at Rangoon, Burma, to "take 2
 or 3 monkeys to London was mistrans-
 lated into "Take 203 monkeys with
 you." The captain fearing some mon-
 keys might die took five hundred. None
 died. They got out of the cages;
 wrung the necks of all the fowls on
 board; threw belying-pins and other
 articles from aloft at the crew; let the
 braces go, and got the vessel flat a-
 back with a violence that nearly took
 the sticks out of her; got hold of the
 captain's chronometers, and caused the
 captain to get four hundred miles out
 of his reckoning; overturned paint and
 tarpoons on the decks, so painting and
 tarring had to be abandoned; and
 generally brought the crew to the
 point of suicide. The capture of the
 monkeys cost £100, and the damage to
 the ship was over £600. What the
 owners said is not recorded.

Otamatea Races.

The following weights are declared
 for the Otamatea Racing Club's meet-
 ing, to be held on January 19.—
Maiden Plate.—The Abbott 8.12,
 Terence 8.12, Ngauruni 8.7, Tennis
 8.5, Buggins 8.0, Ping Pong 7.12,
 Galvanic 7.12, Otara 7.6, Vesper 7.6,
 Bonny Morn 7.6, Gipsy M. 7.6, Queen
 7.6.
Hurdle Race.—Merrysome 11.6,
 Warrigal 11.0, Silvermine 9.12, The
 Abbott 9.0, Buggins 9.0, Terence 9.0,
 Kalso 9.0.
Pony Race.—Silvermine 8.12, Val-
 ma 8.0, Galvanic 8.0, Ping Pong 8.0,
 Bonny Morn 7.6, Vesper 7.6, Rua-
 rangi 7.6, Opal 7.6.
Otamatea Cup.—Henry Havelock
 9.10, Merrysome 9.8, Sir Alberton 8.12,
 Jessamine 8.10, Bar-the-door 8.7, War-
 rigal 8.7, Silvermine 7.7, Brigand 7.7,
 Terence 7.7, The Abbott 7.7, Lady Re-
 gel 7.6, Fortification 7.6, Ping Pong
 6.12, Valma 6.12.
Matakohe Welter Handicap.—Jess-
 amine 10.4, Masher 9.0, Lady Regal
 9.0, Texas 8.10, Tennis 8.10, Valma
 Buggins 8.6, 8.4, Kalso 8.4, Otara 8.4.
Flying Stakes.—Henry Havelock
 9.12, Lunnetta 8.7, Jessamine 8.12,
 Brigand 8.4, Sir Alberton 8.0, Silver-
 mine 8.0, Bar-the-door 7.12, Texas
 7.10, Lady Regal 7.10, Satan 7.6,
 Terence 7.6, Galvanic 6.7, Ping Pong
 6.7.

WHANGATEAU.

(Own Correspondent.)
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.
 The breaking up at the Ti Point
 and Big Omaha schools for the Xmas
 recess came off in due course. All the
 children, as per usual, coming in for
 reasonable gifts from their teacher
 (Mr G. H. Smith), who has further
 extended his thoughtful consideration
 for his pupils in sending each of them
 a much prized Christmas card bearing
 suitable inscription.

TENNIS.
 The opening of the tennis season on
 the 23rd in the Domain grounds, fol-
 lowed by a dance at night in the hall,
 was fairly attended.

ANNUAL SPORTS.
 The New Year annual sports are
 eventuating as the mail closes.

Our Steamer Service.

Residents of Warkworth and sur-
 rounding districts have been inconveni-
 enced in a most annoying manner dur-
 ing the Xmas and New Year holidays
 through the faulty steamship service
 prevailing. From a business point of
 view the erratic service run has been
 most galling, but we must take into
 consideration the disaster to the Kapanui
 as a factor into the movements. The
 s.s. Claymore was requisitioned
 and although running night and day
 with excursions, etc., she was unable
 to keep up to time. Drawing more
 water than the Kapanui it was small
 wonder that she was not caught more
 than the twice on the falling tides.
 On Friday, 23rd, she was due to leave
 here at 9 p.m., but it was 11.30 before
 she had discharged and then had nearly
 300 sheep to take in, and again on the
 29th she missed the tide. To those
 on board, many, among them ourselves,
 who had important business to attend
 to, the delay was most annoying. We
 sympathise especially with Messrs Ed.
 Morrison & Sons who had a valuable
 shipment of fruit to go South. The
 missing of the trip meant the sacrific-
 ing of a valuable lot of fruit, as it was
 impossible to catch the southern boat.
 One fact, however, it brings home un-
 deniably to us and that was that the
 ill-fated Kapanui is far more suited to
 this trade than the more gigantic and
 commodious Claymore. However, af-
 ter the bustle and hurry of the holiday
 season no doubt the running will settle
 down and we can once more rely upon
 accuracy of the time-table.

AHUROA.

(Own Correspondent.)
SCHOOL PICNIC.
 Our annual school picnic was held
 on December 16th under Mr Burns'
 kauri trees. The weather was perfect
 and everyone seemed to enjoy them-
 selves. There were about one hundred
 and sixty children and adults present.
 After lunch the school children ran
 races and were given prizes. Two
 other races were given, one for the
 married ladies and one for the single
 ladies. The winners were as follows:
 Mrs T. Sanderson of Tauboa first and
 Mrs T. Becher second. Miss G. Sand-
 erson first and Miss Sanderson and
 Miss C. Woodcock were a tie for second
 places. When the races were over
 games were indulged in and at five
 o'clock the party went back to the
 kauris and had tea. Mr Sanderson
 and Mr Jenkins on behalf of the chil-
 dren said how sorry they were to part
 with Mr Day who has been very suc-
 cessful with his scholars. Mr Day
 then said it was no pleasure to him to
 leave Ahuroa. Everyone then joined
 hands to sing "Auld Lang Syne." A
 dance was held in the evening to fare-
 well Mr Day. Messrs Paul and W.
 Dennis supplied excellent music and
 at seven o'clock