

THE SETTLERS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. FOR OREWA, WAIVERA, MAHURANGI HEADS, WAIKOWHATU, SPECIAL NOTICE.

S.S. KAPAU. Leaves Auckland: Leaves Warkworth: Sat., 31st, 8 a.m. Mon., 2nd, 11 a.m.

S.S. KAWAU. Excursion to Kawau Island and Mullet Point every SATURDAY at 2 p.m., returning to arrive at Auckland 9 a.m. every MONDAY.

S.S. KOTIHI. Leaves Auckland: Leaves Matakana: Mon., 2nd, 8 a.m. Tues., 3rd, noon

S.S. OREWA. Leaves Auckland: Leaves Orewa: Sat., 31st, 8 a.m. Mon., 2nd, noon

WANTED.—At once a young girl between 16 and 20 for house work. Apply Mrs J. F. Lawrie, Mahurangi Heads.

MALCOLM CHRISTIAN.—Mr W. H. Williams acknowledges letter and explanation re dog collar, and would be pleased to receive any information regarding black, shaggy dog, with cut in off eye-lid, answers to name of "Shag," strayed about two months ago.

BARTON'S ROYAL MAIL COACHES. LEAVE Warkworth for Waikato and Welford every Monday and Friday at 3 p.m.

THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN & MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED. Will sell by auction as follows:— MAUNGATUROTO, WARKWORTH, Wed., April 25th.

WARKWORTH LIVERY & BAIT STABLES. HORSES ON HIRE. Coaches leave as under:— Port Albert via Kaipara Flats for Warkworth every Wednesday at 8 a.m.

G. E. THOMPSON. BUTCHER, Port Albert. Only primest beef, mutton and sausages kept.

AHURORA ROAD BOARD. STOPPING ROAD. IN ACCORDANCE with Section 130 of the Public Works Act, 1905, notice is hereby given of the intention of this Board to close the road between Sections 48, 49, 51 and 52, Ahuroa Parish.

RODNEY COUNTY. ROAD CLOSED FOR TRAFFIC. NOTICE is hereby given that the closing of Matakana-Omaha road to traffic, is extended to May 31st next, to enable Cemetery Hill cutting to be completed.

SLAUGHTERHOUSE LICENSE. PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given of my intention to apply to the Rodney County Council, at its next meeting, for a slaughterhouse license for premises to be erected on section 22 Block XVI, Otamatea S.D.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS. EASTER HOLIDAYS. HOLIDAY Excursion tickets will be issued from any station to any station on the Auckland Section from Tuesday, 10th April, to Monday, 16th April inclusive, available for return up to Tuesday, 10th May, 1906.

A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the RANFURLY HALL, KAIPARA FLATS, on SATURDAY Evening, 8 o'clock, APRIL 7th, 1906.

A FAREWELL SOCIAL AND COFFEE SUPPER will be held in the METHODIST CHURCH, WARKWORTH, on FRIDAY, APRIL 6th, at 7.30 p.m.

MASONIC HALL, WARKWORTH. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11th, 1906. GRAND CONCERT & DANCE, in aid of FOOTPATH FUNDS.

THE MAUNGATUROTO Annual Sports, which were unavoidably postponed, will be held on Wednesday, 4th April, 1906.

FOR SALE.—Light sulky in first class condition. A bargain. Apply this office. L. E. CULLEN, Hon. Sec.

G. P. MURRAY, SURGEON DENTIST. UPPER SYMONDS-ST., AUCKLAND.

VALEDICTORY. A MEETING of those desirous of expressing their appreciation of the many sterling characteristics of Mr and Mrs Underwood of the Warkworth Hotel, (who are leaving the district) is hereby convened for Monday next, April 2nd, at the Public Library, Warkworth, at 7.30 p.m.

CAPT. SOUTHGATE TESTIMONIAL. A MEETING of subscribers to the above will be held in the Public Library, Warkworth, on Thursday next, April 5th, at 8 p.m.

MAILS. SEABOARD. Mails close 30 minutes before advertised time of departure of steamer.

CHURCH SERVICES. SUNDAY, MARCH 26th. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. St. Columba, 11 a.m. Rev. E. G. Evans

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS. W. HAMILTON.—Your letter to hand dealing with "A Disagreeable Incident," but we have decided not to publish same.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 1906. LOCAL AND GENERAL. The Rodney County Council notify an extension of the closing of the Matakana-Omaha road over the Cemetery Hill.

A. Buckland & Sons are making very good progress with their new yards at Kaipara Flats and fully expect to have them open for business during the coming month.

The total cost to the Shipmasters' Association of New Zealand of the legal and other expenses in connection with the Kapanui-Claymore collision at Auckland amounted to £163.

We hasten to acknowledge receipt from Mr Alex Trotter of some splendid samples of potatoes grown by him at his farm Matakana.

The s.s. Kapanui made her first run to Warkworth, on Wednesday last, since undergoing repairs. The improvements to the favourite white boat were much appreciated, and passengers were as "snug as a bug in a rug."

We are in receipt of a copy of the Schedule of Home Industries of the forthcoming New Zealand International Exhibition to be held at Hagley Park, Christchurch, during November and December, 1906, and January, February, March and the early part of April, 1907.

Groupy Children.—If your children are subject to Group, watch for the first symptom of the disease—hoarseness.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS. ARMSTEAD—SCOTT. A wedding which excited considerable interest in the district took place on Wednesday, March 21st, at the residence of the bride's parents, when Miss Nellie Scott, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs George Scott (old residents of Mahurangi Heads), was married to Mr William Henry Armstead of Hobsonville.

The Kapanui which took up her running this week has been rendered far more comfortable and commodious than the Kapanui of old, and the improvements will be generally recognised by all, but there is still one important improvement that has not been attended to and that is the companion-way. We had expected some alteration in this, but it has not been made.

ARNAUD—WHITNEY. On Tuesday afternoon an interesting wedding was celebrated at "Wendholm," Waivera, the residence of the bride's parents, the bridegroom being Lieutenant John McAuley Arnaud (1st Lieutenant H.M.S. Prometheus), and the bride Miss Amelia Viola Whitney, second daughter of Major John Whitney.

The tennis match between the Wenonah Club and Dr McCredie's private court took place on Saturday last. There was a good attendance, but play was marred greatly by showers. The Wenonah Club proved the better team by winning three out of five of the events.

Elsewhere we publish an article from the Observer relating to the companion-way of the s.s. Kapanui in which our contemporary attacks the company on the inadequateness of the saloon entrance.

A farewell social is being tendered to the Rev. C. Griffin and family on Friday evening next, April 6th, at the Methodist church, Warkworth.

We are pleased to receive a copy of "The triumphant tour of the New Zealand Footballers," issued by Messrs Geddis and Blomfield.

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co. held their monthly sale at Warkworth on Wednesday, March 28th, when there was a good muster of stock of all descriptions.

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The laiki element prevailed on Sunday night outside the Big Omaha school, wherein the S.A. Service was being held. Youngsters are naturally thoughtless, but they should be, at least, induced to show respect for services rendered on their behalf, even if incapable of gratitude to God-loving women and men, earnestly striving to inspire young and old to do the best that is in them.

The St. Columba bible class held their first social in the old hall on Wednesday evening. There was a good attendance and a pleasant evening was spent. It is intended to hold these socials at intervals.

The hapuka excursion to Sail Rock which was to have taken place on the 5th has been postponed to the 9th, a much more suitable date. The s.s. Kapanui will leave Warkworth at 7 p.m. and return on Tuesday at the same hour.

Mr H. W. C. Phillips kindly supplies us with the following report of the weather for the month of March: Rain fell on 11 days in the month with a total of 281 points or 2.81 inches.

The movement by Messrs Allen and Page to procure funds towards football improvements is a commendable one, and these gentlemen deserve the hearty co-operation of the public generally.

Mr W. R. Harrison's blacksmith's shop was burned down at Kaipara Flats on Wednesday morning about 3.30 a.m. The origin of the fire is believed to have been from a spark lodging in the building somewhere and smouldering and eventually igniting the building.

A meeting is convened for Monday evening next to give expression to the many sterling characteristics of Mr and Mrs Underwood. During their residence here Mr and Mrs Underwood have made a wide circle of friends through their fearless conduct of the Warkworth Hotel.

For Bronchial Coughs and Colds, Wood's Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d & 2s 6d per bottle.

OMAHA. (Own Correspondent.) TENNIS. Tennis, for the season, is drawing towards a close, but was in evidence here last Saturday when Pakiri and Leigh players contested the game in spite of a threatened down-pour and that telegraphed hurricane.

Our "Salvation" friends occupied the hall on the following afternoon, the services being earnestly rendered. Some genuine feeling found expression on this occasion, in contrast to the surface emotionalism seldom absent at "Army" meetings.

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THE MARKETS. AUCKLAND, March 30. AUCKLAND PRODUCE MARKET. Butter: Factory 11d, separator or dairy 8d.

FRUIT MARKET. Apples: dessert 3s to 8s, cooking 2s to 4s, pears, Bon Chretien 8s to 10s, small 2s to 3s, plums, English 2s, small 2s to 3s, peaches, choice 4s 6d to 5s, small 2s to 3s, 6d, tomatoes indoor 6d to 7d, outdoor 3d to 5d, apricots local 4s to 7s 6d, grapes indoor, 3d to 10d per lb, on floor 1s 1d to 2d, lemons 6s to 7s, rough 3s to 4s, cape gooseberries 2s 9d to 3s 6d.

STOCK MARKET. Messrs Buckland and Sons report at Remuera on Thursday dairy cows sold freely, those at profit selling £6 to £8 2s 6d, 4y 10s to £2 15s, fat young calves in moderate numbers sold freely, small 1 to 8s, medium 18s, heavy £2 1s (78 sold). There was an average yarding of fat cattle, medium weights, which sold irregularly, ox beef from 19s to 21s per 100lbs, cow 15s to 18s (255 sold). Mutton scarce, prices improved slightly, although quotations do not show it. Best wethers 18s to 22s 6d, light weights 16s to 17s, ewes 15s to 20s, lambs in moderate numbers were 11p 10d, best to 20s, medium sorts 12s to 14s. Pigs penned in usual numbers sold at recent quotations.

The Warkworth Hotel is about to change hands, and the new licensee is Mr Toby Tobias of Auckland. There are those who object to connections of this nature but in Mr Tobias we have a man of the highest credentials for honour and integrity. A 35 years of service Mr Tobias has left the scene of his previous labours with the good will of all, and we feel sure that his connection with Warkworth will be a pleasant experience to whom he comes in contact with. In Miss Tobias we have another important acquisition to the district, especially so in musical circles. Miss Tobias is an accomplished pianist and the happy possessor of a beautiful mezzo-soprano voice. We bid them welcome and trust that they will live long among us to enjoy every happiness.

For Colds in the Head and Influenza, Wood's Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d & 2s 6d per bottle. For Children's Hackney Cough at Night, Wood's Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d and 2s 6d per bottle.

Bit of All Right.—"While out shooting the other day," says E. London, merchant, Maldon (Vic.) "I strayed the calf of my leg so badly that I was unable to walk, and had to be assisted in my gait. On reaching home I had Chamberlain's Pain Balm rubbed in. It certainly warmed up that part of my body, but it did the work, and to my great relief the next day, and I was able to walk. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is a bit of a right, and I now speak from personal experience, as well as a storekeeper who has sold it for years." For sale by Geo. Guest & Sons.

PASPALUM DILITATUM ROOTS. 10s THOUSAND. Apply JOHN BLAIR, Gleanlaw, Matakana.

POP! DONT ARGUE! BUT SMOKE DERBY TOBACCO. YOU CANT BEAT IT.

FORD FARM, WAYBY. 193 ACRES. All fenced and in grass, sub-divided into 7 paddocks and orchard of 2 1/2 acres, good barn and stable with large loft, cart shed, cow shed and yard, well watered, good fences subdividing it 6 mtopaddock, adjacent to public road, water frontage; within 5 miles of station and handy to school and post office. Home of 5 rooms and all necessary outbuildings. Applications to be made to M. A. QUICKE, Taupo.

FOR SALE.—Taupo, freehold property of the late John Quicke, fall, lot 93, comprising 200 acres half in grass; small orchard, well-watered, good fences subdividing it 6 mtopaddock, adjacent to public road, water frontage; within 5 miles of station and handy to school and post office. Home of 5 rooms and all necessary outbuildings. Applications to be made to M. A. QUICKE, Taupo.