

**The Northern Steamship Co. Ltd.**  
Time-Table for February.

Time of Sailing, receiving and shipping Cargo subject to weather and other circumstances permitting.)

**FOR OREWA, WAIWERA, MAHURANGI AND WARKWORTH.**

<i>Leaves Auckland:</i>	<i>Leaves Warkworth:</i>
Tues 2nd, 3.30 p.m.	Wed 3rd, 8 a.m.
Sat 6th, 7.15 a.m.	Sat 6th, Midnight
Tues 9th, 8 a.m.	Tues 9th, 3 p.m.
Fri 12th, Noon.	*Sat 13th, 8 a.m.
	Mon 15th, 7 a.m.
Tues 16th, 2 p.m.	Wed 17th, 9 a.m.
Fri 19th, 7 a.m.	Fri 19th, 1 p.m.
Tues 23rd, 9 a.m.	Tues 23rd, 4 p.m.
Fri 26th, Noon.	Sat 27th, 6 a.m.

\*Show Trip. Passengers connect with Auckland Steamer at Waiwera.

S.S. Kawan

**FOR KAWAU, LEIGH AND MANGAWAI.**

<i>Leaves Auckland:</i>	<i>Leaves Mangawai:</i>
Fri 5th, 2.30 p.m.	Sat 6th, 12.30 p.m.
Fri 12th, 10 a.m.	Sat 13th, 7 a.m.
Fri 19th, 2.30 p.m.	Sat 20th, 12.30 p.m.
Fri 26th, 10 a.m.	Sat 27th, 7 a.m.

**FOR LITTLE AND BIG OMAHA KAWAU ISLAND, TE Pt. AND TAKATU**

<i>Leaves Auckland:</i>	<i>Leaves Omaha:</i>
Mon 1st, 11 a.m.	Tues 2nd, T. Wharf, 9.45 a.m.
	Tues 2nd, Leigh 11.15 a.m.
Mon 8th, 7.30 a.m.	Mon 8th, T. Wharf, 2.15 p.m.
	Mon 8th, Leigh 3.45 p.m.
Mon 15th, 11 a.m.	Tues 16th, T. Wharf, 9.30 a.m.
	Tues 16th, Leigh 11 a.m.
Mon 22nd, 7.30 a.m.	Mon 22nd, T. Wharf, 3 p.m.
	Mon 22nd, Leigh, 4.30 p.m.

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**FOR MATAKANA AND MULLET POINT.**

<i>Leaves Auckland:</i>	<i>Leaves Matakana:</i>
Wed 3rd, 3 p.m.	Thurs 4th, 10.30 a.m.
Wed 10th, 9.30 a.m.	Thurs 11th, 4.45 a.m.
Wed 17th, 3 p.m.	Thurs 18th, 10.30 a.m.
Wed 24th, 9.30 a.m.	Thurs 25th, 5 a.m.

**Church Services.**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH.

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND.**

Kaipara Flats, 10.30 a.m. H.C.  
Warkworth, 2.30 p.m.  
Matakana 7.30 p.m.,

(Phone No. 64.)

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Kaipara Flats, 2 p.m. Rev Ruprecht  
St Columba's 11 a.m. Rev. Ruprecht  
St Columba's 7.30 p.m. Rev. Ruprecht  
Sunday School, 2 p.m.

(Phone No. 49.)

**METHODIST CHURCH.**

Warkworth, 11 a.m. Mr H. Phillips  
Dome Valley 11 a.m. Mr C. Phillips  
Mullet Point 2.30 p.m. Mr Thornley  
Pukekohe 11 a.m. Rev Parsons  
Leigh, 2.30 p.m. Rev Parsons  
Big Omaha, 7.30 p.m. Rev Parsons  
Warkworth, 7 p.m. Mr Thornley

(Phone No. 46.)

**PEOPLE'S PICTURES.**

**"THE MAN NEXT DOOR."**

One of the most interesting comedy dramas that has been offered here will be shown at the Town Hall next Friday evening. It is a picturization of "The Man Next Door," a Master Picture, by Emerson Hough author of "The Covered Wagon," and shows with exceptional fidelity life on a great ranch in Wyoming contrasted with the shallow life of society in a great city. There is in this picture a remarkable variety of scenes and sets, an intimate picture of life on a great ranch, with its frolic and fun, including sweeping scenes of the great West, while the investures showing the magnificent mansion built by the millionaire cattleman for his daughter in the city, reveals some of the most lavish studio sets ever built. The story tells of this wealthy young girl's effort to find friendship in a great city, and the heart interest in this comedy drama lies in the struggle of this girl for happiness. She learns that riches are no guarantee of love. David Torrence plays the wealthy cattleman, the father of Bonnie Bell, portrayed by Miss Alice Calhoun. Frank Sheridan plays Curly, the inimitable character so beloved by readers of Emerson Hough, and Jimmy Morrison plays the hired "man next door."

Exercise books, all prices, Nature Study books, and other school requisites—At TIMES Office.

**The Rodney and Otamatea Times**

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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 3, 1926.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

Owing to the Show Concert being held on Saturday night, the ordinary picture show will be held on Friday night this week.

The members of the Rodney County Council with the engineer and clerk have been making an inspection of the various portions of the County during this week, which will no doubt bear good fruit in the future.

Some misunderstanding appears to have arisen as to dog collars and the charges made by the local bodies. The Town Board have fixed the charge at 7s 6d for each dog, with a reduction to 2s 6d in the case of a dog used solely for the purpose of driving or herding cattle or sheep. The County price is 5s and 2s 6d respectively, each body being separate.

Quite recently the Old Curiosity Shop of Charles Dickens' fame, was put up for auction at the London Mart. The bidding began at £1500, but closed at £2250, and the purchaser said he bought the old 5-roomed building at 14, Portsmouth Street, with the intention of preserving it as a curiosity of London, as it would be a pity if it were destroyed. Thus does the love of the old-time author live in the hearts of his readers.

Mr J. Thornton has been appointed direct agent for Dominion Motors, and is now able to give Chevrolet clients the best of service. He also has taken over the agency of the famous Essex cars, and is in a position to carry out upholstering and hood repairs for any class of car.

The contract for conveying the children from Mahurangi Heads and river landings to the Warkworth school has been secured this year by Mr C. Emtage, who commenced his duties on Monday. We wish him all success in his venture. The former contractor, Mr H. Duke, left behind him the record of a high standard of discipline and punctuality, which it is hoped the new contractor will keep up to.

The Warkworth Hospital Committee advertise for tenders for concreting footpath to local hospital. Plans at Rooney garage, and tenders close on Wednesday next at 2 p.m.

Messrs Civil Bros.' huge clearance sale commences on Feb. 10th and will continue until the 27th. Drapery, etc., will be cleared at greatly reduced prices.

Rainfall for January as recorded at Warkworth P.O. by the acting postmaster, Mr Blackbourne, was 7.29in., the maximum fall being on the 22nd, when 1.78in. was recorded. Rain fell on 16 days during the month.

The representative for Messrs Arthur D. Kiley & Co., Ltd., engineers and importers, of Auckland is now in Warkworth, and will be present at the Show on Saturday next. He will give a demonstration of the Deleo Electric Lighting plant. Farmers and others should make a point of inspecting this economical and reliable set.

A potato plant grown in a heap of rubbish in a country town in Victoria was 30 feet in circumference, and yielded 75 potatoes weighing 42lb.

Don't wait until you are right out of receipts or other printing before sending your order to the "R. & O. Times" office.

**SHOW REMINDERS.**

Have you sent your entries in yet? Get them in early and so help the officials. The secretary will be in attendance at the library to-night (Wednesday) and to-morrow, Thursday, from 9 to 12, 1 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m., to take entries. Late stock entries will be charged 50 per cent. extra.

Exhibitors may leave small parcels of exhibits at the Farmers', Hopewell's or Civil's stores before 9 a.m. on Friday, when they will be taken out to the Show ground. Don't forget to put name and class tickets in the parcels.

Entries are coming in well—over 70 in stock classes by Tuesday night. Given a fine day the Show should be a record one.

Friesian breeders are reminded of the extra classes for bulls as advertised in this and last week's issues.

Some of the cups to be competed for are now on view in the N.A. Farmers' window and make a good show. Have a look at them and pick the one you want to win.

Concert tickets are now on sale with Mr J. S. Ashton at the wharf. If you want a special seat get in early.

**WARKWORTH DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL.**

We are pleased to report that in spite of a year handicapped by the epidemic and the alteration in the school a very successful year both in secondary and elementary departments.

We are pleased to report that one pupil matriculated; one partial pass matriculation exam; three won public service entrance exam.; and one won junior national; quite a number won senior free places. These successes speak highly of the staff, and we feel confident that there will be still better results in the future.

Mr Barr is in charge of the high school until the final appointment is made, which will be in a week or two's time. The teacher recommended has splendid qualifications and is a B.A., splendid athlete, and a good musician singer and pianist.

The children in the elementary department did well and the report of inspectors was very good indeed.

Our teaching staff will be the same with the exception of the probationers Mr L. Meiklejohn, of Omaha, and Mr Max Hamilton, one of our high school young men will be on the staff.

The children of the Dome Valley district are being brought to school by the bus in charge of Mr Tom Ramsbottom.

The launch on the river is in charge of Mr Charles Emtage.

We have every confidence that the coming year will be a very successful one. We have a splendid teaching staff and a splendid school. An hostel under the charge of Mrs Meiklejohn which will give good accommodation for pupils and teachers at reasonable charges.

We urge the parents of the county to send their children to Warkworth, educate them in the country and keep them in the country.

**KAIPARA FLATS.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

A very good day was put in on the tennis courts last Saturday, ladies and men's handicap singles taking place. Some twenty men entered and half a dozen ladies. Very close contests took place which was gratifying to the handicappers. Miss Doris Gubb won the ladies event, and Messrs R. Ellis and L. Gubb worked their way to the final which has to be played next week.

The 30 chains of metal laid on the Hills road have been rolled and look very well. An exceptionally good job was made of the earthwork. An effort is being made to get a further £250 from the Government this season to get more metal down.

**CRICKET.**

**RODNEY V. WHANGAREI.**

The above match, played at Matakana last Friday, was well attended, people coming from all parts of the County. The game was expected to be more interesting than it proved, resulting as it did in an easy win for Rodney by 269 runs on the first innings.

Rodney batted first and had a real day out with the bat, putting up the substantial score of 422. Whangarei replied with 153, and in their second innings had 8 wickets down for 72 runs at call of time.

The visitors put up a plucky fight, but with the exception of Mason, Metge and Bradanvich, none of their batsmen were at home to the Rodney bowlers. Whangarei had a good variety of bowlers, but by the time they had dismissed Pat and Willie Dunning the sting seemed to have gone out of their attack.

The following is a list of the bowling analysis and principal scores for each side:—

RODNEY.—(First innings, 422.)—P. Dunning 112 (retired), W. Dunning 96, J. Wyatt 44, J. Matthew 35, E. Campbell 34 (retired), G. Smith 32, Munford 10.

Bowling for Whangarei—P. Mason 2 for 64, Metge 2 for 81, R. McLean 1 for 66, W. Hollis 1 for 58.

WHANGAREI.—(First innings, 153.)—P. Mason 51, Metge 33, Bradanvich 25, W. Hollis 12, Wilson 12.

Bowling for Rodney.—P. Dunning 4 for 43, J. Matthew 3 for 18, W. Dunning 2 for 21, A. Pickering 1 for 22, N. Vipond 1 for 21.

WHANGAREI.—(Second innings, 72 for 8 wickets.)

Bowling for Rodney.—W. Dunning 5 for 28, P. Dunning 2 for 33.

**WHANGATEAU.**

(From a Correspondent.)

**CRICKET.**

At the Domain on January 23rd Omaha gained the match against Matakana by the narrow margin of 11 runs. Matakana batted first and made 102 runs, the principal contributors being E. Y. Campbell 24, Chitty 20, J. Matthew 13, W. Dunning 12. Omaha replied with 113 runs, those who got double figures being E. Wyatt 38, J. Wyatt 18, T. Gravatt 17. For the visiting team W. Dunning took 4 wickets, Thomlinson 3, Matthew 2, Pickering 1. For the home team J. Dunning took 6 wickets, P. Dunning 3.

**DOME VALLEY.**

(From a correspondent.)

**ANNUAL PICNIC.**

The Dome Valley annual picnic which has been held, I believe, without a break—with the exception of last year when, owing to the epidemic it had to be postponed till too late in the season—for over fifty years, was held in Mrs A. Grimmer's grounds on Saturday, January 30th. The day, with the exception of one or two slight showers, was fine, and considerably cooler than it had been for some days. There was a good gathering of young and old. We were pleased to see visitors from Warkworth, Matakana, Wellsford, Ahuroa and other places, although we missed several who used to be our helpers in times gone by—especially we would mention Mr W. Moore who used to be our leader in the games. We were glad to see with us still Mrs A. Grimmer, who has helped with these picnics since their commencement.

Mr R. Grimmer brought along his gramophone and enlivened the proceedings with several selections. Several races were got up and entered into with spirit. The swings were kept well occupied. Before tea Rev. Parsons spoke a few words and called for cheers for Mrs Grimmer which were heartily given. Soon after tea the motor cars were put into commission (it is remarkable how these conveyances have increased the last two years) and another eventful day brought to a close.