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(Opposite A. J. White's)

No. 4.—Governor's Bay.

Sydenham, Governor's Bay, Raupaki, Lyttelton, Sumner, Ferry Road. Total distance, twenty-eight miles.

" Here we have mountain and sea ;
And the distant view of the plain
In the sun-lit land of the free,
And the oldest feels youthful again !"

Given a really fine day, there is no more exhilarating drive in New Zealand than this. But as the hills are long, and in places fairly steep, it will be well for once to drop the heavy English-built landau, and to use a light American waggon, or a waggonette with a reliable brake. With a vehicle of this description a pair of horses can take three passengers and a driver with comparative ease, but with a party of from six to eight people a four-in-hand will be necessary, as the hill draught is a very different quantity from that on the level plains. But one reliable horse with a light gig can easily take one passenger with the driver. Leaving Warner's Hotel, we jog leisurely down Colombo Road South, for our horses will want all their wind for the long pull up hill. Passing through the populous suburb of Sydenham, with its 11,000 inhabitants, we find ourselves at the foot of the Port Hills, at two miles and a half from our starting point. After climbing a stiff pinch we halt for a few minutes, and take a look around. Close on our right, with a commanding aspect, stands the Rhodes' Convalescent Home—the free gift of the Rhodes family, who are descended from some of the oldest of the Canterbury pioneers, to the public of Canterbury. It was confidently hoped that a rise of a few hundred feet would afford a complete change of air to those living in the low elevation of Christchurch (only some 7 feet 6 inches above sea level), and the expectations of the founders have in this respect been more than justified. A little further on we pass a group of private houses, whose owners have also decided that life on the hills is preferable to that on the flat. As we steadily continue the ascent, we note from various points of vantage the wide expanse of the Canterbury Plains, enclosed by their mountain barriers, while on a clear day most of the important rivers can be picked up with the aid of a good field-glass. To the northward and eastward the bold curve of the Forty-mile Beach is clearly defined, and about half-way up the hill

1/- OFF EVERY POUND (£).