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we pass Victoria Park, the chosen recreation ground of Sydenham. There is another stiffish grade before the top of the hill is reached, and there we are, 1,200 feet above sea level, looking down upon the blue waters of Lyttelton Harbour and Governor's Bay, with few islands indeed, but with many bays, headlands, and rocky indentations. It is not much more than a mile to the foot of the hill, but the first two grades are distinctly on the steep side, and have to be cautiously negotiated, the remainder of the downhill journey being good travelling. We have now come nine miles, which, owing to the long up-hill, has taken us an hour and a half to accomplish, and lunch, with a spell of another hour and a half, appears nothing but a reasonable suggestion. The road from Governor's Bay to Lyttelton (six miles) is a good one, and, always in the best of order, it crosses the low spurs and runs round the heads of the valleys in a series of delightful curves. About half-way to Lyttelton the Maori *kainga* of Raupaki is passed, and the healthy appearance of the children and young people speaks volumes for the innate capacity for civilisation possessed by the Maori race. Another three miles brings us on to the seaport of Lyttelton, built in the crater of an extinct volcano, with its large graving-dock, of which we get a full view, and its many wharves and other harbour improvements. A five minutes' spell while the horses are getting a drop of water will be all right here, as the road again lies up hill. A short but steep pull lands us on the Sumner Road, which has a steady but gradual ascent until the foot of the Zig-zag is reached. On our way we have a capital view of the harbour and the Peninsula mountains, and pass the batteries and barracks of the N.Z. Permanent Artillery. The climb up the Zig-zag is uncommonly steep, though short, the ruling grade being one in six. Here we are once more at the top of the hill. This time, however, only 1,000 feet above sea level, and right above Sumner and the Forty-mile Beach. The grade on this side of the hill is a fairly easy one, and we drop down into the hamlet of Sumner, of which a description has already been given in Drive No. 1.

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