being the amount to be contributed on behalf of the Province of Hawke's Bay for the half yearly dividend on the permanent loans of the original Province of Wellington due in London on the 1st July next, I have the honor to inform you that the Sub-Treasurer was directed by me when at Wellington to comply with Your Honor's request.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

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His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

HAWKE'S BAY.

No. 1.

MR. FOX TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HAWKE'S BAY.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Auckland, 20th August, 1861.

SIR,-

I have the honor to forward to you an accompanying statement of the apportionment between the Provinces of Hawke's Bay and Wellington, for the sums due for Interest and Sinking Fund to the 30th June, 1860, on the amounts raised for land purchases in those Provinces to that date, and I have to request your Honor to be good enough to cause the amount due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on this account, viz., £2071 1s. 6d. to be paid before the 30th September next, to the Colonial Sub-Treasurer, who will be instructed on receiving this sum to pay over to the Provincial Treasurer £1229 2s. 9d., being the balance of Surplus Revenue due to the Province on account of the year ended 30th June, 1860.

His Honor the Superintendent, Hawke's Bay.

I have. &c.,

No. 2.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HAWKE'S BAY TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office, Napier, October 8th, 1861.

S1R,-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 20th August last, accompanied by a statement and apportionment between the Provinces of Hawke's Bay and Wellington of the sums due for interest and sinking fund, in the amounts raised for land purchases in those Provinces, with the request that I should cause the amount due from this Province—viz., Two thousand and seventy-one pounds, one shilling, and sixpence—to be paid before the 30th September of this year to the Colonial Treasurer, who had been instructed on receiving this sum to pay to the Provincial Treasurer One thousand two hundred and twenty-nine pounds, two shillings, and ninepence, being balance of Surplus Revenue due to the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of year ending 30th June, 1860.

My being, on the arrival of your letter, on a tour of inspection of the public works of this Province, and not having returned until the date the payment desired was to be made, will account for the delay for my not having replied to your letter sooner.

Before making the payment of Two thousand and seventy-one pounds, one shilling, and sixpence, I desire to consult my Executive Council, which I intend doing as soon as one of the members at present absent inland returns to Napier.

I have, &c.,

The Honble. the Colonial Secretary, Auckland. J. C. LAMBTON CARTER, Superintendent.

No. 3.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HAWKE'S BAY, TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office, Auckland, 19th October, 1861.

SIR,-

In continuation of my letter of 8th instant, in reply to your's dated 20th August last, having reference to your request that $\pounds 2071$ 1s. 6d. should be paid to the Colonial Sub-Treasurer on account of interest and sinking fund, as stated to be due by the Province of Hawke's Bay, to 30th June, 1860, the Provincial Government are desirous of having, and shall be obliged for some information on the following points:—

First. From what date the proportion, as shewn on the credit side of the adjustment account appended to your letter, to 30th June, 1859, the "Remainder distributed in the proportion of

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