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No. 11.

MEMORANDUM by the Colonial Secretary.

In reply to His Excellency's Memorandum, of yesterday's date, relative to a quotation from Ika-a-Maui, the Colonial Secretary begs to state that he will take care that the papers are filed in the same manner as it is usual to file Memoranda which pass between His Excellency and his Responsible Advisers.

The Colonial Secretary has no wish that these papers should be forwarded to Her Majesty's

Secretary of State, but has no objection, if His Excellency wishes it.

The Colonial Secretary will be obliged if His Excellency will inform him whether he intends to send the Rev. Mr. Taylor's letter to England, as originally intended.

WILLIAM FOX.

Auckland, 5th May, 1864.

No. 12.

MEMORANDUM by the GOVERNOR.

In reply to the Colonial Secretary's Memorandum, of this day's date, the Governor begs to stat that there has been a misunderstanding regarding the Rev. R. Taylor's letter. It was never intended to send it home, except in the case of his supposed opinion being at the same time sent home by Ministers. In that case, it appeared to the Governor to be just to all parties, that Mr. Taylor's letter should go home with the Ministerial Memorandum.

G. GREY.

May 5th, 1864.

No. 13.

MEMORANDUM by the Colonial Secretary as to the Memorial of Aborigines Protection Society

The Colonial Secretary is going to publish in the Gazette his letter to Lord Chichester, which will be preceded by Lord Chichester's letter to the Governor. The Colonial Secretary begs to request His Excellency's permission to publish also His Excellency's reply to Lord Chichester. WILLIAM FOX.

16th May, 1864.

No. 14.

MINUTE by the Governor.

The Governor wrote the letter alluded to to Lord Chichester and other gentlemen, under the impression that it would be left to them to publish it when they received it, which he has no doubt they will do. He thinks that this is the most usual course, and would much prefer-if any option is left to him, that it should be followed.

G. GREY.

No. 15.

MINUTE by the Colonial SECRETARY.

Lord Chichester published his letter to His Excellency in the Times before it was posted for New Zealand. This certainly releases His Excellency from the ordinary rule on the subject, and the Colonial Secretary thinks it would be desirable that His Excellency's reply should appear in the Colony without delay, but if His Excellency objects, he will not press it.

WILLIAM FOX.

17th May, 1864.

No. 16.

MINUTE by the Governor.

Any informality of proceeding on the part of those who sent an address to the Governor, would not incline him to be guilty of a similar informality on his part. He would much prefer his letter not being printed until it is printed by those to whom he sent it.

G. GREY.

No. 17.

MEMORANDUM by COLONIAL SECRETARY, transmitting copy of his reply to Aborigines Protection Society.

The Colonial Secretary begs to forward to His Excellency a duplicate of the remarks by the former upon Lord Chichester's letter, for transmission to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State. Another copy, at His Excellency's suggestion, will be forwarded direct to Lord Chichester.