

No. 8.

MEMORANDUM by the GOVERNOR.

The Governor would earnestly request that his Responsible Advisers would allow him to be furnished with an answer to the following financial question, on a point which he cannot clearly understand from the papers forwarded to him, viz.:—

Whether the advances to be made by the Bank of New Zealand, in the terms of the agreement of the 27th of September, are to amount to Eighty thousand pounds in the whole, or whether advances at a rate not exceeding Eighty thousand pounds a-month, are to be made by the Bank to the whole amount of the Loan, whether it is negotiated or not.

October 6th, 1864.

G. GREY.

No. 9.

MEMORANDUM by MINISTERS.

Ministers beg to inform His Excellency that any information on matters of fact, which they have the power to give, is completely at His Excellency's service.

In answer to the distinct question put in the Governor's Minute of the 6th instant, Ministers would state that the amount of advances to be made by the Bank under the agreement of September 27th is £80,000 for one month. For further advances, if they should be required, a distinct arrangement will have to be made, the terms of which will depend upon the advices received from Messrs. Julian and Sargeant by this month's mail, who have in their hands £1,250,000 of Debentures for sale or hypothecation.

Treasury, 7th October, 1864.

READER WOOD.

CONFISCATION AND LOCATION OF SETTLERS.

No. 1.

MEMORANDUM by MINISTERS.

Ministers beg to inform His Excellency that a number of immigrants equal to 159 statute adults have arrived from the Cape Colony, who were sent for under the terms for the settlement of Waikato. As no portion of the lands of the insurgents in Waikato has yet been placed at the disposal of the Colonial Government by His Excellency, they are placed in a very serious difficulty which they lose no time in bringing to His Excellency's notice, and will be obliged if His Excellency will inform them at his earliest convenience when they may expect that any part of the "territories of rebel natives" in Waikato will be available to enable the Government to carry out its pledge by locating these immigrants upon them.

Ministers beg to add that the order sent to the Cape was for 1,000 statute adults, all of whom are engaged and may be expected within a month.

October 15th, 1864.

WILLIAM FOX.

No. 2.

MEMORANDUM by the GOVERNOR.

In reply to the Ministerial Memorandum of the 15th instant, regarding the arrival of emigrants from the Cape of Good Hope, the Governor begs to state that he sees, as do his Ministers, a difficulty in the matter. It is in his belief a difficulty which ought not to have arisen, but which having arisen must be met.

When Ministers on the 30th of June last published in the Government Gazette, Mr. Cardwell's Despatch of the 26th of April, 1864, the Governor, in conformity with the principles of Responsible Government, waited until the 6th of September, hoping that his Ministers would advise him to take some action to give effect to the instructions which they had made public. Finding that they did not do this, the Governor on the 6th of September wrote to them, recommending that a Proclamation should be issued calling upon the natives to come in and make cessions of territory before the 22nd of October. If they had failed to do this, he was then authorised to give his concurrence to bringing the New Zealand Settlements Act into operation. His Responsible Advisers, however, opposed the issue of that proclamation.

What he would now recommend is, that that Proclamation in a slightly modified form should at once be issued; and that in the meantime such land as is really required for emigrants—which is the property of tribes engaged in the rebellion—and which from position and other causes is necessary for our safety—and is such as would be required either to be ceded by the natives or would have to be taken under the New Zealand Settlements Act—should at an early date be taken for the purposes of the emigrants now arriving. If the Government will point out the localities they require, the Governor will be much obliged to them.

October 17th, 1864.

G. GREY.

No. 3.

MEMORANDUM by MINISTERS.

Ministers beg to acknowledge His Excellency's Memorandum of this day's date, in reply to their's of the 15th instant, on the subject of the arrival of the immigrants from the Cape of Good Hope. Ministers quite concur with His Excellency in thinking that there is a difficulty which ought not to have arisen, and which in their opinion is owing solely to His Excellency having so long declined to accept their advice in reference to the confiscation of Rebel Territory in Waikato.

His Excellency blames Ministers for not having advised him to take action to carry out the instructions to His Excellency in Mr. Cardwell's Despatch. Ministers refrained from doing so for the