

also the following, which I have reserved for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon namely—

- “ Otago Public Buildings Loan Ordinance, 1862, Amendment Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Otago Harbour Loan Ordinance, 1862, Amendment Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1865 ;”
- “ Medical Practitioners Ordinance, 1864, Amendment Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Port Chalmers Municipal Estate Reserves Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Roads Diversion Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Acclimatization Reserves Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Cemeteries Bill, 1865 ;”
- “ Otago Harbour Trust Lands Bill (No. 2), 1865.”

I have the honor to request that I may receive an intimation of His Excellency's pleasure at as early a date as possible.

I have, &c.,

J. HYDE HARRIS,  
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

### No. 2.

The Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY to the SUPERINTENDENT, Otago.

SIR,—

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 3rd July, 1865.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the late Superintendent's letter of the 13th ultimo, transmitting three Ordinances passed at the last Session of the Provincial Council of Otago, which his Honor had assented to on behalf of His Excellency the Governor, and also transmitting nine reserved Bills for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon.

His Excellency has been advised to leave to its operation “ The Appropriation Ordinance, 1865.”

The other two Ordinances which have been assented to by the Superintendent (“ The Superintendent's Indemnity Ordinance, 1865,” and “ The Impounding Ordinance Amendment Ordinance, 1865,”) are still under the consideration of the Government.

His Excellency has further been advised to assent to the undermentioned six reserved Bills, and I have to return to your Honor a copy of each of such Bills with His Excellency's assent duly noted thereon :—

- “ Medical Practitioners Ordinance, 1864, Amendment Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Port Chalmers Municipal Estate Reserves Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Roads' Diversion Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Acclimatization Reserves Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Cemeteries Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Otago Harbour Trust Lands Ordinance (No. 2), 1865.”

“ The Appropriation Ordinance (No. 2), 1865,” purports to authorize the refund in pursuance of the Superintendent's Proclamation of 20th December, 1864, of certain sums of money paid as purchase money, and imposed by the Act of the General Assembly entitled “ Otago Waste Lands Act (No. 2), 1863.” As this Bill would, if it became law, be in contravention of the Act of the General Assembly above referred to, Ministers have been compelled to advise His Excellency to withhold his assent to this Bill.

The two remaining Bills (“ Otago Public Buildings Loan Ordinance, 1862, Amendment Ordinance, 1865,” and “ Otago Harbour Loan Ordinance, 1862, Amendment Ordinance, 1865”), are under the consideration of the Government.

I have, &c.,

J. C. RICHMOND.

His Honor the Acting Superintendent, Otago.

### No. 3.

The SUPERINTENDENT, Otago, to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Province of Otago, New Zealand,

Superintendent's Office, Dunedin, 15th July, 1865.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, intimating that His Excellency the Governor had been pleased to assent to the following Ordinances, viz.—

- “ Medical Practitioners Ordinance, 1864, Amendment Ordinance Act, 1865 ;”
- “ Port Chalmers Municipal Estate Reserves Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Roads Diversion Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Acclimatization Reserve Ordinance, 1865 ;”
- “ Cemeteries Ordinance, 1865 ;” and the
- “ Otago Harbour Trust Lands Ordinance, No. 2, 1865.”

That the “ Appropriation Ordinance, 1865,” has been left to its operation ; and that the

- “ Otago Public Buildings Loan Ordinance, 1862, Amendment Bill, 1865 ;” the
- “ Otago Harbour Loan Ordinance, 1862, Amendment Bill, 1865 ;” the
- “ Superintendent's Indemnity Ordinance, 1865 ; and the
- “ Impounding Ordinance Amendment Ordinance, 1865 ;” are still under consideration.

You further state that as “ The Appropriation Ordinance (No. 2,) 1865,” would, if it became law, be in contravention of the Act of the General Assembly, Ministers have been compelled to advise His Excellency to withhold his assent to it.