

## No. 2.

EXTRACT from a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Earl GRANVILLE, K.G., to  
Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(Very Confidential.)

Downing Street, 15th July, 1869.

“I HAVE to inform you that I have requested the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to issue instructions to the Commanding Officers of Her Majesty’s ships cruising in the neighbourhood of New Zealand, to show themselves for the present as much as possible on the coasts of the Northern Island, and in the neighbourhood of those parts in which rebellion or disaffection is reported to exist.

“And although no force is to be landed from Her Majesty’s ships for any ordinary operations of war, but the officers in command will be instructed that in the case—I hope very improbable—of any great disaster, they are to take such steps as may be necessary to save the lives and properties of Europeans in the maritime settlements.”

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## No. 3.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Earl GRANVILLE, K.G., to Governor  
Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 93.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 21st August, 1869.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 65, of 5th June.

As regards the irregularity to which you refer in the delivery of the New Zealand mails, you will have been informed by my Despatch No. 53, of 11th May, that measures had been taken to ensure their correct transmission in future.

I learn with satisfaction that your Government have organized, and intend to keep on foot, an effective force for the maintenance of peace; and that you entertain hopes of a formal arrangement of terms of pacification between the Local Government and the Maori King.

I have, &c.,  
GRANVILLE.

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

## No. 4.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Earl GRANVILLE, K.G., to Governor  
Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(No. 99.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 20th September, 1869.

I have received your Despatch No. 76, of 30th June, in reply to mine of 26th February, No. 28, in which I informed you that the Secretary of State for War had communicated to me your correspondence with Sir Trevor Chute respecting the withdrawal of the Imperial troops from New Zealand.

In mentioning that the correspondence in question had been received from the War Office, I had no intention of implying any censure on yourself.

I see no reason for qualifying the expression of opinion quoted in the second paragraph of your Despatch.

I am glad, however, to learn that General Chute’s visit did not produce the effect which might not unnaturally have resulted from it.

I have, &c.,  
GRANVILLE.

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.