

No. 87.

MEMORANDUM No. 86, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

I TRANSMIT herewith copy of a telegram from the Superintendent of Otago, and request that you will assist Mr. James Pollock in procuring and sending to the Colony the fifty coal miners required by his son in Otago.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 5th May, 1873.

G. MAURICE O'ROKKE.

Enclosure in No. 87.

His Honor J. MACANDREW to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(Telegram.)

Dunedin, 5th May, 1873.

MR. POLLOCK, coal-pit proprietor here, has written to his father, Mr. James Pollock, coalmaster, Bo'ness, Linlithgowshire, requesting him to engage fifty coal miners. Please advise Agent-General to instruct Seaton to see Pollock and arrange about passage fares, so that men may be shipped at once, and if necessary be sent free.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

J. MACANDREW.

NOTE.—A cablegram was subsequently sent to the Agent-General, instructing him to send 100 coal miners to Otago.

No. 88.

MEMORANDUM No. 87, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

IN order that the subject of nominated immigration may be brought prominently under notice, the Government have decided to grant bonuses in accordance with Regulations, copies of which are enclosed for your information. A circular forwarding copies of the Nominated Regulations has also been addressed to all Ministers of religion, Resident Magistrates, Mayors, and others throughout the Colony, who are brought into contact with the public.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 5th November, 1872.

G. MAURICE O'ROKKE.

NOTE.—Copies of these Regulations, &c., are laid upon the table for the information of Member

No. 89.

MEMORANDUM No. 89, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

I TRANSMIT herewith copy of correspondence with His Honor the Superintendent of Hawke's Bay, with reference to the immigration requirements of that Province. You have already been instructed to forward 750 emigrants to Hawke's Bay for arrival during the current year; and on the 2nd instant a cablegram was transmitted, requesting you to forward that number by three ships, at intervals, direct to Napier.

I have now to request that you will carry out, so far as possible, the wishes upon the subject of His Honor the Superintendent of Hawke's Bay, and that you will further inform me what steps, if any, have been taken to send out the vine-growers referred to in your letter of the 19th April, 1872.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 5th May, 1873.

G. MAURICE O'ROKKE.

Enclosure 1 in No. 89.

His Honor J. D. ORMOND to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Napier, 24th April, 1873.

On the 24th December last I had the honor to address you on the subject of Immigration, and the receipt of my letter was acknowledged on the 4th January; but I have heard nothing further as to the intentions of the Government with respect to immigration to this Province.

In my letter of the 24th December, I asked that instructions might be given the Agent-General to send an immigrant vessel to Napier direct once every three months, and that fifty single women should form part of the number, the remainder to be made up of ordinary and nominated immigrants.

Very few Government immigrants have come to Napier since September last, when two vessels arrived the same day. The Messrs. Brogden sent a shipment of immigrants here by the "Chile" in December, but some of them were removed to other places, and the rest employed on the works Messrs. Brogden are engaged upon, so that they were not available for employment as ordinary immigrants.

Government immigration may therefore be said to have ceased for some months, and the want is very severely felt, more especially as regards single women for domestic service; and this is the more complained of, as previous to the General Government assuming the duties of immigration the Province had arranged for and kept up a regular and suitable supply of that class of immigrants. Seeing that I have no advices of any immigrants on the way, I fear it will yet be a long time before we get the much wanted addition to our population, and I therefore write to urge the Government to telegraph instructions to the Agent-General to send a shipment here as soon as possible, to be followed by a second ship to arrive in November. I am satisfied that if the Agent-General laid on a direct ship, there would be