

9. It is to be distinctly understood that, notwithstanding applications may have been granted at Money Order Post Offices, the Immigration Officers aforesaid are empowered to object to any of the emigrants so nominated being sent out, either from unsuitability of occupation or from any other cause; and the Agent-General in London will have power to refuse passages where the intending emigrants are in ill-health, or in any way unfitted, according to his judgment, to undertake the voyage.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

No. 24.

MEMORANDUM No. 33, 1872, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London,

I ENCLOSE copy of a correspondence received from the Immigration Officer at Napier, relative to certain papers forwarded to your office by an immigrant per "Ballarat," named Thomas Annett, which he wishes returned to him, and shall feel obliged by your forwarding the same to this office.

G. M. WATERHOUSE,
(in absence of Hon. Minister of Immigration).
Land and Immigration Office,
Wellington, New Zealand, 5th December, 1872.

Enclosure in No. 24.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. FANNIN, for UNDER SECRETARY for IMMIGRATION.

THE applicant, Thomas Annett, was a passenger by the "Ballarat." Will you kindly acquaint me what I am to reply to him? I have received several verbal applications for similar documents.

G. T. FANNIN,
The Under Secretary for Immigration, Wellington. Immigration Officer.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 24.

Mr. ANNETT to Mr. FANNIN.

SIR,—

Emigration Barracks, 22nd November, 1872.

I beg to inform you that I forwarded my marriage lines and baptism receipts to the Emigration Office, 7, Westminster Chambers, London, and they have not been sent back to me again. You will much oblige by looking after them for me.

Mr. Fannin.

I have, &c.,
THOMAS ANNETT.

No. 25.

MEMORANDUM No. 34, 1872, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

HEREWITH is forwarded copy of a letter addressed to the Government by Jeremiah Hurley, schoolmaster, Wellington, a passenger on board the ship "Bebington;" and I desire especially to call your attention to the statements relative to the conduct of Messrs. Brogden's immigrants. I regret that there is no reason to doubt the correctness of these and similar representations which have reached the Government.

It is evidently desirable that these immigrants should be forwarded in vessels by themselves, and not mixed with the ordinary assisted and nominated immigrants, and you are instructed to carry this into effect whenever practicable.

It appears to the Government that sufficient attention has not hitherto been paid to the character of the immigrants supplied by Messrs. Brogden, and upon this point you are requested to report. It is a matter of the most serious importance to the Colony that the character of the immigrants should be good, as such characters must affect succeeding generations, and I therefore would impress upon you that the subject demands your most earnest attention.

G. M. WATERHOUSE,
(in absence of Hon. Minister of Immigration).
Lands and Immigration Office,
Wellington, New Zealand, 5th December, 1872.

Enclosure in No. 25.

Mr. J. HURLEY to the UNDER SECRETARY for IMMIGRATION.

SIR,—

Cuba Street, Wellington, 29th November, 1873.

I sincerely wish you would, in your official capacity, do something towards extending, or rather making known, Government assisted emigration to that part of Her Majesty's dominions called Ireland, as the Hon. Mr. Featherston has not only neglected but ignored the right of Irishmen to come out here, as is evident by the selections he is making; and that no Irish emigrants are coming here except those who receive nominations from their friends in this Colony, and those who have heard from their friends here that there is such a man in London as an Agent-General for New Zealand.

Being one of the latter class, I would fain trouble you with a few remarks on that head. About the middle or beginning of April last I wrote to the above gentleman, soliciting an assisted passage for myself, wife and child, and seven others, and after filling form after form, and replying to twice as many letters, I was told that he did not know when he could despatch a ship to Nelson—perhaps on or