

No. 23.

His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT of WELLINGTON to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Wellington, 17th April, 1873.

Referring to my letter to you of the 21st November last, on the subject of the application on behalf of the Emigrant and Colonist's Aid Corporation for certain concessions, I beg to call your attention to the fourth paragraph, in which I state that "The Provincial Government is of opinion that it should be made a *sine qua non* that the sum of £5,000 should be remitted on or before the 1st of February, 1873, to the Colonial Treasurer." I shall be obliged if you will inform me if the Colonial Government have been advised of the payment of that amount.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,

Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 24.

Mr. G. S. COOPER to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT of WELLINGTON.

SIR,—

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 23rd April, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, and in reply to inform your Honor that the Government have no advice of any payment by the Hon. Colonel Feilding on account of the Emigrant and Colonist's Aid Corporation.

I have, &c.,

G. S. COOPER,

(for the Colonial Secretary.)

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

No. 25.

The Hon. Colonel FEILDING to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Emigrant and Colonist's Aid Corporation (Limited),

3, Queen Square, Westminster, S.W., 21st March, 1873.

SIR,—

I have the honor herewith to acknowledge the receipt of your official letter No. 142, dated Wellington, 23rd November, 1872, and its enclosure, dated 21st November, 1872. With reference to the subject therein treated of, I beg to assure you, on the part of my co-directors as well as of myself, that we are very sensible to the desire exhibited by the New Zealand authorities, Provincial as well as Imperial, to meet our wishes and our requirements. I have, however, to point out that the stipulation calling on the Corporation to pay £5,000 two months before any money was due to it, and the limitations of the Crown grants, which are to issue for half only of the amount paid off up to £15,000, has tended very much to cripple the financial arrangements of the Directors at the outset.

At the desire, therefore, of my co-directors, and acting under the advice of our financial agents, I am induced to request that the payment of the £5,000 may be deferred until the 1st April.

I have, &c.,

W. FEILDING, Colonel.

The Colonial Secretary, New Zealand.

No. 26.

Mr. A. F. HALCOMBE to the Hon. J. VOGEL.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 3rd May, 1873.

JUST received following telegram from Colonel Feilding:—"London, 22nd April. Resume operations. Corporation pays Government £15,000 through Harman's Trust and Loan Company. Instructions mailed 18th."

A. F. HALCOMBE.

Hon. J. Vogel, Auckland.

No. 27.

Mr. A. F. HALCOMBE to the Hon. J. VOGEL.

(Telegram.)

Marton, 10th June, 1873.

FIELDING telegraphs me he is anxious to send off first emigrants at once. Will you instruct Agent-General by telegraph to co-operate, if satisfied that money has been remitted to Government. Shall be glad of reply to-day, so as to telegraph by Suez Mail.

A. HALCOMBE.

Hon. J. Vogel, Wellington.

No. 28.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to Mr. A. F. HALCOMBE.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 10th June, 1873.

PROPOSE sending following message; will it be satisfactory?—

"Agent-General, London.—Aid Feilding send out immigrants, if you are satisfied he has remitted Government £15,000."

JULIUS VOGEL.

Arthur Halcombe, Marton.