No. 9.

The Hon, the Colonial Secretary to His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 15th June, 1874. SIR,-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 35, of the 23rd ultimo, in which you enclose copies of the following Ordinance passed by the Provincial Council of Taranaki, which your Honor had reserved for the signification of His Excellency the Governor's pleasure

thereon, viz.,—

"An Ordinance to amend "The Town of New Plymouth Public Works Ordinance, 1864.'"

2. The Government are advised that so much of the 6th section of this Ordinance as provides for the recovery of the rate is ultra vires, and that the Provincial Legislature should not have done more than create the charge or debt, and leave the recovery to the mode pointed out by the General

Assembly for the purpose.

3. Although the invalidity of this provision may not affect other parts of the Ordinance, yet, as it is calculated to produce mischievous effects, it will be the duty of the Government to advise His Excellency to withhold his assent, unless your Honor will give an undertaking to introduce, as soon

as possible, a Bill to repeal the objectionable provision.

His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki.

I have, &c., WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS, (in absence of the Colonial Secretary.)

No. 10.

His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki, to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, New Plymouth, 19th June, 1874. SIR,-I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 212, June 15th, 1874, in which I am informed that so much of the sixth section of "The Town of New Plymouth Public Works Ordinance, 1874," as provides for the recovery of the rate is ultra vires, and unless I give an understanding to introduce as soon as possible a Bill to repeal the objectionable provision, the Government cannot advise His Excellency to assent to it. In reply, I beg leave to state that a Bill shall be introduced as early as possible, for the purpose of making the corrections you have named.

I have, &c.,

FRED. A. CARRINGTON,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Superintendent.

No. 11.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki.

SIR,-Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 6th July, 1874. I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to assent to the following Ordinances passed by the Provincial Council of the Province of Taranaki, and reserved by your Honor for the signification of his pleasure thereon, viz.,—

"The Town Board of New Plymouth Loan Empowering Ordinance, 1874;" and "The Town of New Plymouth Public Works Ordinance 1864 Amendment Ordinance, 1874;" and I return to you herewith a duplicate of each, with such assent duly noted thereon.

2. His Excellency has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to "The Scotch Thistle Ordinance 1863 Repeal Ordinance, 1874," or

"The Appropriation Ordinance, 1874,"

to which your Honor had assented on his behalf.

3. His Excellency has however been advised to withhold his assent from the following Ordinance passed by the Provincial Council of Taranaki, and reserved by your Honor for the signification of his pleasure thereon, viz.,—
"The Hawkers Licensing Ordinance, 1874."

The reasons for the disallowance of this Ordinance were explained to your Honor in my letter No. 192, of the 1st ultimo.

His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki.

I have, &c., DANIEL POLLEN.

No. 12.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 15th July, 1874. SIR,-I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 41, of the 8th ultimo, enclosing parchment copies of the following Ordinances passed by the Provincial Council of Taranaki, viz.,-

"An Ordinance to amend 'The Dog Nuisance Ordinance, 1872,"

to which your Honor had assented on behalf of the Governor; and

An Ordinance to vest certain Education Reserves situated in the Patea District in the Education Board of the said District," which you had reserved for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon.