

No. 28.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay.

(Telegram.)

Buildings, 23rd October, 1873.

I THINK the expense of quarantine barracks at Napier might be avoided by agreeing that ships, in case of sickness, should put in at Wellington. It would cost £5,000 to erect barracks at Napier, besides staff expenses, and probably they would be very rarely used.

Superintendent of Hawke's Bay, Napier.

JULIUS VOGEL.

No. 29.

His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(Telegram.)

Napier, 23rd October, 1873.

RE quarantine barracks for Napier. Having an agreement that ships, in case of sickness, should put into Wellington, would act injuriously to Province—raise freights, and seriously interfere with immigration, especially nominated. £2,000 will provide necessary accommodation, and hope you will authorize.

Hon. Julius Vogel, Wellington.

J. D. ORMOND.

No. 30.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 29th October, 1873.

RE quarantine station. I will authorize expenditure of £2,000 if you will agree to defray any expense in addition for station and fittings, and will also agree to provide some one to take charge when not required for use. When required for use, cost of management will be paid by department.

His Honor the Superintendent, Napier.

JULIUS VOGEL.

No. 31.

His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(Telegram.)

Waipukurau, 17th January, 1874.

Lowest tender for quarantine buildings, Park's Island, Napier, is £2,427. Have cut down accommodation to smallest necessary. Will you approve tender being accepted?

Hon. Julius Vogel, Christchurch.

J. D. ORMOND.

No. 32.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay.

(Telegram.)

Oamaru, 18th January, 1874.

IF you think it reasonable, I authorize acceptance.

His Honor J. D. Ormond, Napier.

JULIUS VOGEL.

No. 33.

His Hon. the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Napier, 15th December, 1873.

I beg to acknowledge and thank you for the copy of the Agent-General's letter of the 3rd of October, explaining the position of the German and Scandinavian contracts for immigrants. Although the original contracts appear to have been transferred, the Agent-General seems by no means sanguine that they can be given effect to.

My object in writing now, is to state my opinion that it is very much more difficult to provide for a shipment of Scandinavians and Germans than would be the case with immigrants from the United Kingdom. This is especially so with married couples with families. Settlers, in the case of single men and women, put up with the inconvenience of employing people who do not understand what is said to them; but for married couples with children it is difficult to get engagements, and from their want of knowledge of our language and ways, they do not readily find day or week work for themselves as English immigrants would do. If, therefore, Scandinavian immigration is carried on to any large extent, I should advise that the married people, or such of them as are suited for such a life, should be settled on land. They make very good settlers, and do well on bush land, as in the case of the Norwegian and Danish settlements in the Seventy-Mile Bush.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

J. D. ORMOND.

No. 34.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Hawke's Bay.

SIR,—

General Government Offices, Dunedin, 30th December, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, and to thank you for your suggestions as to providing for the settlement of Scandinavian and German immigrants.