

surveys the Government of that country may intrust to either of us, on equal terms—that is, you take one-half the responsibility and I take the other half.

Francis Fox, Esq.

I have, &c.,

JAMES BRUNLEES.

I hereby accept the above for myself and brother, Mr. Charles Douglas Fox.

FRANCIS FOX, 6, Delahay Street.

Mr. MORRISON to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

Office of the New Zealand Government Agency,
3, Adelaide Place, King William Street, London, 30th December, 1870.

SIR,—

Referring to my letter No. 783, of 22nd November, 1870, transmitting copy of correspondence which passed between Mr. Brogden, M.P., and myself relative to the proposal made by him with regard to the surveys for the proposed railways in New Zealand, I have the honour, in continuation thereof, to enclose herewith copies of further letters received from Mr. Brogden.

From these letters you will perceive that Mr. Brogden has resolved upon sending out a gentleman to represent him to the Government, and for this purpose has selected Mr. Henderson, who is expected to be ready to proceed to the colony by the mail of next month.

I beg to point out to the Government that Mr. Brogden undertakes this step entirely at his own risk and responsibility, being doubtless influenced by his proposals of the 10th ultimo having met with the approval of the Hon. F. Dillon Bell.

I likewise enclose copy of a telegram I addressed to Mr. Bell, at Galle, on the 23rd instant, acquainting him with Mr. Brogden's resolution.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

JOHN MORRISON.

Enclosures.

Mr. BROGDEN, M.P., to Mr. MORRISON.

SIR,—

4, Queen Square, Westminster.

I have to thank you for your letter and the accompanying extract. I will try to send you to-morrow something of a definite character, to forward by telegraph to Mr. Bell.

I have, &c.,

J. Morrison, Esq.

ALEX. BROGDEN.

Mr. BROGDEN, M.P., to Mr. MORRISON.

SIR,—

4, Queen Square, 8th December, 1870.

I had expected to have sent you this day the name of the person whom I propose to send out to New Zealand to represent me there. I have been endeavouring to find him all day, and have called at his office for that purpose, but have not been successful. If I hear anything in the morning I will telegraph you before 12 o'clock.

I have, &c.,

J. Morrison, Esq.

ALEX. BROGDEN.

Mr. BROGDEN, M.P., to Mr. MORRISON.

SIR,—

Ulverstone, 22nd December, 1870.

I have selected a gentleman to go out and represent us to the New Zealand Government. It is Mr. Henderson, who has been a long time with us and Mr. Brunlees, and is a civil engineer of great experience, and has also carried out very considerable works on his own account. At the present moment he is engaged in making a railway in Germany. His family is over there, and he required a month, at least, to enable him to adjust his affairs; and I think it will take him fully that time before he can go. About the middle of January I hope he will be prepared to go to New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

John Morrison, Esq.

ALEX. BROGDEN.

Mr. MORRISON to the Hon. F. D. BELL, Point de Galle.

(Telegram.)

London, 23rd December, 1870.

MR. BROGDEN has selected representative to proceed to colony. He cannot leave before January.

Mr. MORRISON to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

Office of the New Zealand Government Agency,
3, Adelaide Place, King William Street, London, 27th January, 1871.

SIR,—

I have the honour to transmit herewith copy of a letter which I have just received from Mr. Brogden, M.P., stating that Mr. Henderson, who was expected to proceed to the colony by this mail as Mr. Brogden's representative, as advised in my letter No. 845, of the 30th ultimo, is unable to do so through illness.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

JOHN MORRISON.

Enclosure.

Mr. BROGDEN, M.P., to Mr. MORRISON.

SIR,—

4, Queen Square, Westminster, 27th January, 1871.

Mr. Henderson, the gentleman I had selected to go out to New Zealand, returned from Germany ten days since, but has ever since been confined to his house by a severe attack of illness. I have seen him to-day; he is better, and if sufficiently well, as there is little doubt he will be, he will be prepared to leave by the next mail, if it is at the end of the month.

I have, &c.,

J. Morrison, Esq., London.

ALEX. BROGDEN.