

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM for His EXCELLENCY.

REFERRING to Lord Derby's Despatch No. 25, of the 2nd May, relative to the withdrawal by the fugitive offender, A. F. Anderson, of a sum of money standing to his credit in one of our local banks, I beg to inform your Excellency that it is a fact that he did so while in custody here; but the Solicitor-General, to whom the matter was referred so long back as January last, has advised that he did not see how any responsibility could attach to the Government in the matter, and thought that the prison authorities could not have prevented Anderson drawing a cheque, under the circumstances stated.

I attach the correspondence, in case your Excellency has a wish to see it.
Wellington, 4th July, 1885.

ROBERT STOUT.

No. 61.

(No. 88.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Wellington, 18th July, 1885.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Despatches No. 19, of the 15th April last, and No. 21, of the 22nd April, concerning Samoa.

A.-4D., Nos., 78
and 80.

A.-4D., No. 86.

A.-4D., No. 46.

2. I transmit herewith a copy of a memorandum from my Ministers with reference to those despatches. The memorandum also makes some observations on the note of Count Munster to Earl Granville, dated the 28th January last, published in the Blue Book, C 4273, page 145.

I have, &c,

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

No. 62.

(No. 89.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Wellington, 18th July, 1885.

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a memorandum from the Premier, Mr. Stout, stating that there is a clerical error in the fourth paragraph of his memorandum, dated the 12th March last, which I forwarded to your Lordship in my Despatch No. 39, of the 28th March. The word "Kawhia" should be substituted for "Waipa." I beg therefore that the alteration may be made accordingly.

A.-1., No. 33.

I have, &c.,

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.

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MEMORANDUM for His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

THE Premier has the honour to call his Excellency's attention to the fact that in the first part of paragraph 4 of the Premier's memorandum to His Excellency, dated the 12th March last, concerning the memorial from certain Maori chiefs, there is a clerical error. Instead of "the County of Waipa is practically a Native district," it should read "the County of Kawhia is practically a Native district."

Wellington, 16th July, 1885.

ROBERT STOUT.

No. 63.

(No. 90.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Wellington, 18th July, 1885.

I have the honour to submit for favourable consideration the accompanying memorandum of my Ministers, requesting that £3,000, the charge for eight 64-pounder muzzle-loading guns, recently supplied to New Zealand by the naval Commander-in-Chief on this station, may be remitted, and the guns regarded as lent to the colony.

2. When the armaments which had previously been ordered by my Government arrive from England, the guns in question will not be required here; whereas they may no doubt be made available by the naval authorities for arming merchant ships—the object for which they were originally sent to Australia.

I have, &c.,

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Derby.