

1893.
NEW ZEALAND.

LAND ON THE EAST COAST

(CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE AGENT-GENERAL, MR. W. L. REES, AND
MR. WILLOUGHBY MULLINS, RELATIVE TO TAKING UP).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 20th July, 1893.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House copies of all correspondence between the Agent-General, W. L. Rees, and Willoughby Mullins, with reference to taking up land on the East Coast."—(MR. HOUSTON.)

No. 1.

Mr. A. BARRON to W. L. REES, Esq., M.H.R.

SIR,—
Lands and Survey Department, Wellington, 11th June, 1891.
Referring to your letter of 29th August last, No. 576, and the reply of the Hon. Mr. Richardson dated the 23rd January, No. 64/1, I have the honour to transmit copies of further correspondence as follows: A. Memorandum No. 528, from the Agent-General, dated 3rd April, 1891, enclosing (1) Letter from Mr. Kennaway to Mr. Mullins, 13th March, 1891; (2) Letter from Mr. Mullins to Mr. Kennaway, 24th March, 1891; (3) Letter from Mr. Kennaway to Mr. Mullins, 30th March, 1891. B. Memorandum No. 625, from the Agent-General, dated the 17th April, 1891, covering a further letter from Mr. Mullins.
W. L. Rees, Esq., M.H.R., Auckland. I have, &c.,
A. BARRON.

No. 2.

MEMORANDUM from the AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the PREMIER, *re* Mr. Rees and Mr. Mullins.

IN continuation of my memorandum of the 3rd April, No. 528, I now enclose a further letter from Mr. Mullins. The letter was suggested to him by his solicitor, and on being submitted to me I told him that I accepted it, and there would now be an end of the matter.
13, Victoria Street, S.W., 17th April, 1891. F. D. BELL.

No. 3.

Mr. W. MULLINS, to the SECRETARY, Agent-General's Department.

DEAR SIR,—
41, Coleman Street, London, E.C.
Referring to your letter to me of the 13th ultimo, I regret that I unintentionally led you to believe that I paid to Mr. Rees personally the sum of £500 therein referred to, instead of to the Co-operative Colonisation Association (Limited), and that therefore he should recoup me that amount.

I had no intention of imputing anything of the kind to Mr. Rees, and I am very sorry that I have been the means of causing a wrong statement to be published.

The Secretary, Agent-General for New Zealand,
13, Victoria Street.

Yours, &c.,
WILLOUGHBY MULLINS.

No. 4.

MEMORANDUM from the AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the PREMIER, *re* Mr. Rees and Mr. Mullins.

ON receiving the memorandum of the late Minister of Lands (24th January last, No. 5), covering correspondence between the Minister and Mr. W. L. Rees on the subject of a correspondence with