The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. I APPROVE of relief being sent to suffering Indians.

Dunedin, 5th May, 1900. D. PINKERTON.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Nelson, 7th May, 1900.

Having regard prosperous year and condition of New Zealand, consider it proper that colony should contribute to the Indian Famine Fund. The amount should be reasonable, but consistent with the dignity of the colony.

ALBERT PITT.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Reefton, 7th May, 1900. I HEARTILY agree to your proposition to assist famine-stricken people in India out of Consolidated Fund. It will be a graceful and generous act on the part of the New Zealand Government to assist our fellow-subjects. R. Reeves.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington.

Levin, 12th May, 1900.

I APPROVE of the proposal that a sum of money be given in aid of the sufferers by famine in India.

JOHN RIGG.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. New Plymouth, 7th May, 1900. I HAVE much pleasure in saying that I cordially approve of the idea of sending aid from the Consolidated Fund to the famine-stricken of India. Henry Scotland.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Oamaru, 5th May, 1900. By all means send something worthy of the colony to the Indian famine-stricken people.

S. E. Shrimski.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. YES, I quite approve.

Dunedin, 7th May, 1900. Lee Smith.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Waipukurau, 8th May, 1900. I was away from home, else would have answered memorandum re granting aid to Indian Famine Relief Fund before. I think this is a specially heavy calamity that requires all possible assistance, and I am in favour of the Government giving a substantial grant from the Consolidated Fund, and I hope this will be done. W. C. Smith.

The Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Wellington. Christchurch, 7th May, 1900.

Indian famine: I assume Viceroy's appeal not for State aid, but for subscriptions from New Zealand public. In my judgment, any grant out of Consolidated Fund towards charitable aid outside colony, whether on account of famine, fires, or other disasters, unjustifiable.

E. Stevens.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Auckland, 7th May, 1900. I CORDIALLY support proposal to send assistance from the Consolidated Fund to the sufferers by famine in India. Wm. Swanson.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington.

I AGREE with those who suggested to draw from the consolidated funds. By all means help our fellow-creatures suffering from famine in India and fire at Ottawa. My greatest sympathy with them.

H. Tomoana.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington.

Telegram too late on Saturday to reply. Yes, better than leave it to private benevolence, which means a tax on benevolent, exemption of the miserly.

Temuka, 7th May, 1900.

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The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Geraldine, 11th May, 1900.

If the Consolidated Fund can stand it, I think we should certainly help the poor people in India.

L. WALKER.

The Right Hon. the Premier, Wellington. Kawakawa, 7th May, 1900. I THINK the famine-stricken in India as deserving of aid as sufferers by conflagration Ottawa, and practical aid should be sent them. Government best judges as to ways and means.

H. WILLIAMS.

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