

that I espatch it was represented to His Lordship that I had obtained possession of the document referred to "in some surreptitious manner," or whether this expression was used by His Lordship without such previous suggestion. I need scarcely add, that it is from no wish to lead you into further correspondence on this matter that I again address you, but solely for the purpose of preventing blame being attached undeservedly either to Earl Grey or to His Excellency the Governor.

I have the honour, &c.,
(Signed)

WM. BROWN.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

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Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 4th June, 1850.

Sir,—

Referring to your letter of the 25th ultimo, acknowledging the receipt of mine of the 22nd, and requesting to be furnished with a copy of the Secretary of State's Despatch in reply to His Excellency's relative to the letter referred to in your letter of the 20th ultimo, I am instructed by the Governor to inform you that the document applied for cannot be furnished; but that although no further correspondence can be carried on upon the subject, His Excellency has directed me to state that as he should himself sincerely regret if any expression has wrongly been made use of towards any one, and would, if it was shown that such was the case, instantly cause any reparation in his power to be made; and as His Excellency feels assured that Earl Grey would be actuated by the same feelings, I am directed to repeat that any statement or explanation that you may think proper to make in proof that the term has been erroneously used shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of State.

I have the honour, &c.,
(Signed)

ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary.

WM. BROWN, Esq.,
Auckland.

(Copy).

No. 130.
Miscellaneous.

Government House,
Wellington, September 25th, 1851.

My Lord,

I have the honor to enclose a letter addressed to your Lordship by a Mr. William Brown, a resident at Auckland.

The subjects discussed in this letter have been already so fully reported on in my despatches noted in the margin, that it does not appear necessary to trouble your Lordship with any further observations regarding them.

I have the honor, &c.,
(Signed)

G. GREY.

The Right Honorable Earl Grey,
&c., &c.

(Copy).

Auckland, 28th August, 1851.

My Lord,

I yesterday had the honor to receive, by command of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor. Your Lordship's reply to the letter of 5th July, 1850, addressed by me to your Lordship, complaining of the defamatory

Enclosure—

95. 14 July, 1849.

63. 10 July, 1850.