

## ENCLOSURE TO MESSAGE No. 15.

Downing-street,  
24th January, 1855.

SIR,—

I have received your Despatch (No. 70) of the 7th August last, reporting the measures which had been taken for the defence of the Port of Auckland.

Having communicated that Despatch to the Secretary of State for the War Department, I have to express my approval of the measure in question.

The Duke of Newcastle has communicated to me a copy of a Despatch which he has addressed to the officer commanding the troops in New Zealand on the same subject, under date of the 12th of June, 1854, of which I enclose a copy. It will there be seen that it is not within the contemplation of her Majesty's Government that any portion of the charge to be incurred for the defence of New Zealand should be defrayed by the Imperial Treasury.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed)

G. GREY.

The Officer administering the Government of  
New Zealand.

War Department,  
12th June, 1854.

SIR,—

I have received Sir George Grey's Despatch (No. 126, Military) of the 27th December last, with its enclosures from yourself, urging the expediency of constructing defences for the protection of the town of Auckland, and pointing out the manner in which that object could, in the opinion of the officer commanding the Royal Engineers, be best accomplished.

I infer that Sir George Grey had not, at the date of this Despatch, received mine of the 9th June, 1853, on the general subject of the military protection to be afforded to New Zealand.

You will have been led by that Despatch to anticipate the inability of her Majesty's Government to contribute towards the expense of the works recommended by Lieutenant Colonel Baddely, and in accordance with the views therein expressed, I can only refer you to the General Assembly for a decision on this or any other project for the defences of the harbours and towns of the Colony.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed)

NEWCASTLE.

Lieutenant-Colonel Wynyard,  
&c. &c. &c.

## ENCLOSURE TO MESSAGE No. 19.

Downing-street,  
8th February, 1855.

SIR,—

I have received your Despatch (No. 85) of the 21st September last, enclosing Resolutions by the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives of New Zealand, urging the propriety of reconsidering the sum which, by certain Acts of Parliament, has been made payable to the New Zealand Company out of the Land Revenues of the Colony. I have also received your Despatch (No. 86) of the 21st of September, forwarding addresses to the Queen, and to both Houses of Parliament, from the House of Representatives, praying that an Act may be passed for granting relief in this matter.

You will intimate that I have laid the address to the Queen before her Majesty, who was pleased to receive it very graciously, and that the other addresses have been duly presented to Parliament.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed)

G. GREY.

The Officer administering the Government,  
New Zealand.