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No. 1.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, WELLINGTON, TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, AUCKLAND.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, 28th June, 1862.

SIR,—

I do myself the honor to forward to your Excellency authenticated copies of the following Acts passed in the last Session of the Provincial Council of this Province, and to which I have given my assent on behalf of your Excellency, viz. :—

- “An Act to empower the Superintendent to erect a Toll-gate at Kaiwarrawarra.”
- “An Act to make provision for the payment of a Salary to the Auditor and Deputy Auditor.”
- “An Act to provide for the preservation and protection of Trigonometrical Stations and Survey-marks.”
- “An Act to provide for the management of the General Cemetery at Wanganui.”
- “An Act to appoint Commissioners to adjust the amounts payable by the Provinces of Wellington and Hawke's Bay, in discharge of the Loans raised by the Province of Wellington, as originally constituted, and for the adjustment of all matters of account between the two Provinces.
- “An Act to appropriate the Revenue of the Province of Wellington for the Quarter commencing the 1st day of January, 1862, and ending the 31st March, then ensuing.”
- “An Act to provide for the management of the Educational Reserves.”
- “An Act to vest in a Board of Wardens, for the management of Local Public Works and matters, the management of the Streets, Sewerage, and preservation of the health of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wanganui.”
- “An Act to provide for the management of the Racecourses in the Wanganui and Rangitikei Districts.”
- “An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to District Highways.”
- “An Act to make further provision relative to Slaughtering Cattle within the City of Wellington.”
- “An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Scab, Catarrh, and Sheep Inspectors.”
- “An Act to provide for the management of certain parcels of land in the City of Wellington.”
- “An Act to provide for the establishment of a Board of Works, and for making and repairing of Roads and Streets, and other Public Works, in the City of Wellington.”
- “An Act to regulate the traffic on Public Highways.”
- “An Act to appropriate the Revenue of the Province of Wellington for the year commencing the 1st day of April, 1862, and ending the 31st day of March, 1863.”

I have, &c,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

Enclosure to No. 1.

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.
LOAN ADJUSTMENT.

ANNO VICESIMO QUINTO
VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

SESSION IX., No. 5.

ANALYSIS.

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| <p>Title.
Preamble.
1. Appointment of Commissioners.
2. Power to Superintendent to appoint Commissioners, in the event of vacancy by death or otherwise.</p> | <p>3. Seats of Commissioners in Provincial Council not to become vacant.</p> |
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AN ACT to appoint Commissioners to adjust the amounts payable by the Provinces of Wellington and Hawke's Bay, in discharge of the Loans raised by the Province of Wellington, as originally constituted, and for the adjustment of all matters of account between the two Provinces.

[Assented to 2nd June, 1862.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to adjust the proportions of the Loans raised by the Province of Wellington, as originally constituted, payable by the present Province of Wellington and the Province of Hawke's Bay, and other matters of account between the said Provinces:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, by and with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, as follows:—

I. That Isaac Earl Featherston, Superintendent of this Province, William Fitzherbert, and William Waring Taylor, Esquires, be appointed Commissioners for the purpose of adjusting with the Provincial Government of Hawke's Bay, or any Commission to be appointed by them, the amounts to be paid by each Province in discharge of the Loans raised by the Province of Wellington, as originally constituted, as their respective equitable proportions thereof, and the interest already accrued, and hereafter to accrue, on such Loans, and also to settle all matters of account between the said Provinces of Wellington and Hawke's Bay.

II. In case either of the Commissioners so appointed shall die, resign, or become incapable of acting therein before such adjustment shall be completed, the Superintendent may appoint another person to be Commissioner in his stead, and such newly appointed Commissioner shall have the same authority and power as the Commissioner in whose place he was appointed.

III. Provided always that in the case of either the aforesaid William Fitzherbert and William Waring Taylor, now Members of this Provincial Council, or of any other Member of the Provincial Council who shall at any time be appointed a Commissioner under this Act, his seat in the Provincial Council shall not become vacant, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Act of the Provincial Council, Session I., No. 26, intituled "An Act to make void the election of certain Members of the Provincial Council."

CHARLES WILLIAM SCHULTZE,
Speaker.

I hereby certify the above to be in accordance with the Bill as passed by the Council.

JOHN HOWARD WALLACE,
Chairman of Committees.

Passed the Provincial Council this twenty-third day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

WILLIAM BEST,
Clerk of Council.

I assent to this Act on behalf of the Governor of New Zealand, on this second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

No. 2.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WELLINGTON TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL TREASURER.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, 12th November, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to cause the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Permanent

Debts of the original Province of Wellington, to be paid to the Provincial Treasurer with as little delay as possible. The amount required to pay the half-yearly dividends, due at London on the 1st January, 1863. was remitted by me on the 13th of last month.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Treasurer,
Auckland.

No. 3.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WELLINGTON.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 21st November, 1862.

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Honor's letter, No. 237, of the 12th instant, and in reply, to inform you that the Sub-Treasurer at Wellington has been instructed to pay into the Provincial Treasury there the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds (£1,250), due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of Permanent Debts of the original Province of Wellington.

I have, &c.,

ALFRED DOMETT.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Wellington.

No. 4.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WELLINGTON TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, 3rd December, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st ult., informing me that the Sub-Treasurer at Wellington had been instructed to pay into the Provincial Treasury the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, due from the Province of Hawke's Bay, on account of interest on the Permanent Debts of the original Province of Wellington, and to tender you my thanks for your prompt compliance with my request.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

No. 5.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 21st November, 1862.

SIR,—

I have to enclose for your Honor's information copies of the correspondence, noted in margin, relative to the payment into the Provincial Treasury at Wellington of the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds (£1,250), due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Permanent Debts of the original Province of Wellington.

I have also to inform your Honor that the Receiver of Land Revenue of the Province of Hawke's Bay has been instructed to pay an equivalent amount into the Sub-Treasury at Napier.

I have, &c.,

ALFRED DOMETT.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Napier.

APPORTIONMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT OF THE

No. 6.

R. F. PORTER, ASSISTANT TREASURER, TO THE SUB-TREASURER, WELLINGTON.

Treasury, Auckland,

21st November, 1852.

SIR,—

I have the honor, by direction of the Colonial Treasurer, to instruct you to pay to the Provincial Treasurer, Wellington, the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, being the amount due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Wellington Provincial Debt, for the half-year ending 31st December, 1862.

I have, &c.,

R. F. PORTER,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Sub-Treasurer, &c.,
Wellington.

No. 7.

THE ASSISTANT TREASURER TO THE RECEIVER OF LAND REVENUE, NAPIER.

Treasury, Auckland,

20th November, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor, by direction of the Colonial Treasurer, to instruct you to pay to the Sub-Treasurer, Napier, the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds in repayment of a corresponding amount authorised to be paid to the Provincial Treasurer, Wellington, on account of interest due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on the Wellington Provincial Debt for the half year ending 31st December, 1862.

I have, &c.,

R. F. PORTER,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Receiver of Land Revenue, &c., &c.,
Napier.

No. 8.

THE SUB-TREASURER, WELLINGTON, TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL TREASURER, AUCKLAND.

Sub-Treasury, Wellington,

27th November, 1862.

SIR,—

I do myself the honor to inform you that I have this day drawn upon the Colonial Treasury, Auckland, for the sum of Three thousand pounds sterling, to enable me to complete the payments directed in your letters of the 20th and 21st instant, Nos. 330 and 334.

I have, &c.,

S. CARKEEK,
Sub-Treasurer.

The Honorable the Colonial Treasurer, &c.,
Auckland.

No. 9.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, NAPIER, TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, AUCKLAND.

Superintendent's Office,

Napier, April 24th, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to transmit the Report of a Select Committee of the Provincial Council of Hawke's Bay, which was afterwards adopted by the Council "as to the course it is most desirable should be pursued in relation to the settlement of the Wellington Debt."

In pursuance of that Report, an Act has been passed by the Provincial Council to the same effect as the "Wellington Loan Adjustment Act," with a provision however that in the event of the Commissioners not arriving at a conclusion, and agreeing thereon before the next meeting of the General Assembly, it shall be left to His Excellency the Governor to appoint a Commission to hear and decide the question.

In the event of a decision not being arrived at by the Commissioners in this matter, I have every confidence that His Excellency and his Government will take such steps as may lead to the appointment of an impartial Commission or tribunal to decide the question.

I have, &c.,
DONALD McLEAN,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

Enclosure in No. 9.

1863.—PROVINCIAL COUNCIL OF HAWKE'S BAY.

REPORT of the Select Committee appointed to report upon the course it is desirable should be pursued in relation to the settlement of the Wellington Debt. Appointed on the motion of Mr. McLean, April 2nd, 1863. Members: Messrs. Carter, Ormond, Rhodes, Colenso, Tiffen, and the mover.

The Committee appointed to report upon the course it is most desirable should be pursued in relation to the settlement of the Wellington Debt, report as follows:—

"That the Committee would recommend the passing of an Act to the same effect as the 'Wellington Loan Adjustment Act,' with a provision, that in the event of the Commissioners not arriving at a conclusion, and agreeing thereon before the next meeting of the General Assembly, that it shall be left to His Excellency the Governor to appoint a Commission to hear and decide the question.

"The Committee would therefore recommend that an offer to the effect contained in the foregoing resolution be made to the Wellington Government, it being at the same time pointed out that the conference of Commissioners, as provided in the Wellington Act, would in the opinion of the Council in all probability be found insufficient for the object desired, viz., the final settlement of the question.

"Your Committee would further recommend that in the event of the offer of settlement contained in the above resolution not being accepted by the Wellington Government, that the Representatives of this Province in the House of Representatives should be instructed that it is the opinion of the Council that the course which it is most desirable they should advocate should be that laid down in the above resolutions, which would, this Council believes, ensure the early settlement of this question by a disinterested and impartial tribunal.

"That the Superintendent be requested to acquaint His Excellency's Government with the terms of the Council's report upon this question, and to beg that any co-operation in their power may be exerted to provide for a settlement in the manner therein proposed."

DONALD McLEAN,
Chairman.

No. 10.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 4th May, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th April, on the subject of the settlement of the Wellington Debt, and, in reply, to inform your Honor that his Excellency's Government is glad to see that the Provincial Council of Hawke's Bay has at length taken steps to settle the financial question existing between that Province and Wellington.

I have, &c.,

READER WOOD,
In the absence of Mr. Domett.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Napier.

No. 11.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF NAPIER TO THE HONORABLE THE MINISTER FOR NATIVE AFFAIRS,
AUCKLAND.

Superintendent's Office,
Napier, April 23rd, 1863.

SIR,—

I should feel much obliged if you would permit Major Whitmore to be appointed a Commissioner to assist in adjusting certain claims and matters of account pending between the Provinces of Wellington and Hawke's Bay.

Pending your approval, I have taken upon myself to insert Major Whitmore's name in an Act of the Provincial Council passed on the 14th instant; and I trust, as the duty will not interfere materially with his avocations as Civil Commissioner, that you will sanction the appointment.

I enclose herewith a copy of the Act.

I have, &c.,
DONALD McLEAN,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Minister for Native Affairs,
Auckland.

No. 12.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 9th June, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd April, and in reply, to inform your Honor that there is no objection on the part of the General Government to the appointment of Major Whitmore as Commissioner to assist in adjusting certain claims and matters of account pending between the Provinces of Wellington and Hawke's Bay.

I have, &c.,
ALFRED DOMETT.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Napier.

No. 13.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WELLINGTON TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, 2nd April, 1863.

SIR,—

I do myself the honor to request that you will be pleased to cause the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the permanent debt of the original Province of Wellington, to be paid to the Provincial Treasurer with as little delay as possible. The amount required to pay the half-yearly dividends due in London on the 1st July next, will be remitted by me by the mail leaving here on the 11th instant.

I have, &c.,
I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

No. 14.

THE ASSISTANT TREASURER, AUCKLAND, TO THE RECEIVER OF LAND REVENUE, NAPIER.

Treasury, Auckland,
20th April, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor, by direction of the Colonial Treasurer, to instruct you to pay to the Sub-Treasurer, Napier, the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, in repayment of a corre-

spending amount authorised to be paid to the Provincial Treasurer, Wellington, on account of interest due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on the Wellington Provincial Debt for the half year ending 30th June, 1863.

I have, &c.,
R. F. PORTER,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Receiver of Land Revenue, &c.,
Napier.

No. 15.

THE ASSISTANT TREASURER, AUCKLAND, TO THE SUB-TREASURER, WELLINGTON.

Treasury, Auckland, 20th April, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor, by direction of the Colonial Treasurer, to instruct you to pay to the Provincial Treasurer the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, being the amount due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Wellington Provincial Debt for the half-year ending 30th June, 1863.

I have, &c.,
R. F. PORTER,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Sub-Treasurer, &c.,
Wellington.

No. 16.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WELLINGTON.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 21st April, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, and in reply, to inform your Honor that the Sub-Treasurer at Wellington has been instructed to pay to the Provincial Treasurer the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Permanent Debt of the Province of Wellington.

I have, &c.,
READER WOOD,
In the absence of Mr. Domett.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Wellington.

No. 17.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 22nd April, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith the enclosed copy of a letter from His Honor the Superintendent of Wellington, and of my reply thereto, respecting the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Permanent Debt of the Province of Wellington, and to inform your Honor that the Receiver of Land Revenue at Napier has been instructed to pay that sum to the Sub-Treasurer there.

I have, &c.,
READER WOOD,
In the absence of Mr. Domett.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Napier.

APPORTIONMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT OF THE

No. 18.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WELLINGTON TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, 8th October, 1863.

SIR,—

I do myself the honor to request that you will be pleased to cause the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, due from the Province of Hawke's Bay, on account of interest on the Permanent Debt of the original Province of Wellington, to be paid to the Provincial Treasurer here, with as little delay as possible. The amount required to pay the half-yearly dividends, due in London on the 1st January next, will be remitted by me by the mail leaving here on the 11th instant.

I have, &c.,
I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

No. 19.

THE ASSISTANT TREASURER, AUCKLAND, TO THE RECEIVER OF LAND REVENUE, NAPIER.

Treasury, Auckland,
21st October, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor, by direction of the Colonial Treasurer, to instruct you to pay to the Sub-Treasurer, Napier, the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds, in repayment of a corresponding amount authorised to be paid to the Provincial Treasurer, Wellington, on account of interest due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on the Wellington Provincial Debt for the half-year ending 31st December, 1863.

I have, &c.,
R. F. PORTER,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Receiver of Land Revenue,
Napier.

No. 20.

THE ASSISTANT TREASURER, AUCKLAND, TO THE SUB-TREASURER, WELLINGTON.

Treasury, Auckland,
21st October, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor, by direction of the Colonial Treasurer, to instruct you to pay to the Provincial Treasurer the sum of Twelve Hundred and fifty pounds, being the amount due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Wellington Provincial Debt for the half-year ending 31st December, 1863.

I have, &c.,
R. F. PORTER,
Assistant Treasurer.

The Sub-Treasurer,
Wellington.

No. 21.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, AUCKLAND, TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, WELLINGTON.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 23rd October, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, and, in reply, to inform your Honor that instructions have been sent to the Sub-Treasurer, Welling-

ton, to pay over the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds to the Provincial Treasurer, and to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Hawke's Bay, to refund the advance to the Sub-Treasurer, Napier.

I have, &c.,

ALFRED DOMETT.

The Superintendent,
Wellington.

No. 22.

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, AUCKLAND, TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 23rd October, 1863.

SIR,—

His Honor the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington having applied for payment of the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty pounds due from the Province of Hawke's Bay on account of interest on the Permanent Debt of the original Province of Wellington, I have the honor to inform you that instructions have been sent to the Sub-Treasurer, Wellington, to pay over the amount to the Provincial Treasurer there, and to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Hawke's Bay, to refund the advance to the Sub-Treasurer, Napier.

I have, &c.,

ALFRED DOMETT.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Napier.
