PAPERS RELATING TO IMMIGRATION.

CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO THE INTRODUCTION EMIGRANTS INTO THE PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.

No. 1.

Extract from a letter of His Excellency Sir Ghorge Grev, K.C.B., to the Hon. Reader Wood Colonial Treasurer, dated 4th January, 1864.

3. To organize a system of emigration to the Northern Island of the Colony, with a view to locating settlers under the New Zealand Settlements Act, 1863.

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G. Grev,
Governor.

No. 2.

THE HON, MR. WHITAKER TO THE HON, MR. R. WOOD,

Colonial Secretary's Office. Auckland, 7th March, 1864.

SIR,-

1 have the honor to enclose for your information and guidance a memorandum on the subject of emigration stating the views of the Government of New Zealand on that important subject.

It is the desire of the Government that I should earnestly impress on you the necessity of a careful selection of the emigrants, as fitness and good character are of the first importance, indeed are indispensible.

The Province of Auckland has an Emigration Agency in England, of which Messrs. Ridgway of Leicester Square, London, are the head, and it may possibly be made of assistance, at all events as far as the Auckland Province is concerned; as these gentlemen feel a great interest in that Province, and would take pains to render it a service. They have expressed their willingness to render any services if required.

As most of the military settlers from Australia, both to Auckland and Taranaki, are single men it is essential that a very large proportion of the emigration from Great Britain and Ireland should be

of married men.

It is difficult at this distance to instruct you specially as to the agency by which you should endeavour to carry out the object of the New Zealand Government. This is therefore left very much to your discretion, and the Government rely that you will make satisfactory arrangements before you leave England.

The sum available for the present for emigration is fixed by the "Loan Appropriation Act, 1863." Till further instructions, the emigrants should be sent to Auckland, as the other Provinces are not

yet ready for their reception.

I have &c., FREDERICK WHITAKER.

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