

1. The Government entirely approves the lines of roads suggested by your Honor and you are at liberty at once to execute such preliminary surveys as you suggest, for which purpose the Government will on your requisition provide the necessary funds from time to time, from the share of the Loan appropriated to Wellington.

2. The Government will be glad to receive such report as suggested in paragraph 2 when ready. The instructions proposed to be given to the Provincial Engineer meet the approbation of the Government.

3. As regards the rest of your Honor's letter no further reply seems necessary than that contained in my previous letter. The character of the practical control which the Government proposes to retain can scarcely now be determined, and it is probable that it will not amount to very much. But it feels bound by its responsibility to the Assembly not to abandon its right to exercise some control, should circumstances, which are not anticipated, seem to require it.

If there is any other point on which your Honor wishes for information Government will be most happy to give it.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Wellington.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

No. 5.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT WELLINGTON.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 23rd June, 1864.

SIR,—

No. 163.

I have to transmit for your Honor's information the enclosed copy of instructions to the Honorable Reader Wood in reference to selecting and sending out Emigrants from England to this Colony.

I have, &c.,

His Honor the Superintendent,
Wellington.

WILLIAM FOX.

No. 6.

THE SUPERINTENDENT WELLINGTON TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, 8th September, 1864.

SIR,—

No. 389-64.

I do myself the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 4th and 23rd June, in the former of which, after stating with reference to our conversation on the subject of Immigration to the Province of Wellington in conformity with the provisions of the Loan Appropriation Act, 1863, that "I am at liberty at once to make arrangements for the introduction of Immigrants into Wellington, with the view of their being located in those parts of the Province where their occupation may tend to the security of the country in case of any further Native rebellion," you leave to my discretion the terms of introduction and inducement, the only condition being "that in the arrangements made" I "will not include any which might conflict with those adopted for Waikato in such a manner as to appear to compete with the Immigration to that district"—the regulations in reference to Waikato being enclosed in your letter of the 23rd June.

In reply I do myself the honor to inform you that by the homeward mail of 14th July, I transmitted to Mr. John Morrison, the agent of the Province, and to Mr. C. R. Carter, M.H.R., at present on a visit to England, the instructions of which I enclose copies, and shall be obliged by your directing the necessary funds to be placed to the credit of the Province as therein indicated as soon as the Loan is raised.

I have, &c.,

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Superintendent.

Enclosure 1 in No. 6.

THE SUPERINTENDENT WELLINGTON TO MR. MORRISON.

Superintendent's Office,
Wellington, July 13th, 1864.

SIR,—

No. 332-64.

I transmit for your information the instructions of Ministers to Mr. Reader Wood in reference to selecting and sending out Emigrants; also a copy of the Colonial Secretary's letter to myself authorising me to at once make arrangements for the introduction of Immigrants into this Province without any other stipulation than that my arrangements "shall not conflict with those adopted for Waikato in such a manner as to appear to compete with the Immigration to that district."

The conditions specified or suggested in the instructions to Mr. Wood are inapplicable to this Province, and I have therefore to request that you will as far as practicable adopt and carry out the following terms and conditions.