which assisted his escape, and prevented our men from firing their revolvers effectively. He had ten shots fired at him; and had not the revolvers missed fire several times, he must have been killed.

We returned to Auckland at 2 p.m. to-day.

In conclusion, I beg to thank Mr. Fulloon for his zeal, and the assistance he rendered me on every I have, &c.,

To Captain John P. Luce, H.M.S. "Esk."

E. R. FREMANTLE,

Commander.

No. 79.

Vide A. No. 4. Sir D. Cameron to SIR, Sir G. Grey, 9th May, 1865. Sir G. Grey in reply, 12th May,

June, 1865.

Sir G. Grey in 1865.

Sir D. Cameron to Sir G. Grey, enclosing Colonel Warre's correspondence with Major Atkinson, 5th June, 1865.

Sir G. Grey in reply, 6th June, 1865.

Sir G. Grey, 1st June, 1865.

tary, 2nd June, 1865.

The Assistant Military Secretary in reply, 3rd June, 1865. No. 50.

His Excellency the Governor to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Government House, Auckland, 6th June, 1865.

I have the honor to transmit for your information copies of two letters which I have received from Sir D. Cameron, relative to the proceedings of Colonel Warre, C.B., at Taranaki, and of my replies.

2. You will see that Sir D. Cameron intends to report to the Secretary of State for War what he regards as objectionable conduct on the part of Colonel Warre at Taranaki. I am satisfied Sir D. Cameron to that the more Colonel Warre's proceedings are inquired into, the more will they be found to have been Sir G. Grey, 1st energetic, courageous, and judicious, and in every way calculated at a very critical time to secure the safety of Her Majesty's possessions in this country.

3. I beg therefore that the inquiry into Colonel Warre's proceedings, which Sir D. Cameron's reply, 2nd June, accusations have rendered necessary, may at once be instituted, as justice to Colonel Warre, to

the Colonial Government, and to myself, appears to demand that this should be done.

I have, &c., G. GREY.

P.S.—Since I had the honor of addressing this Despatch to you, Sir D. Cameron has informed me that he has transmitted to the Secretary of State for War the additional enclosures noted in the margin; I have therefore put up these letters for your information. I beg to call your attention to Sir D. Cameron's letter to me of the 1st of June, and beg that an inquiry may be instituted as to whether the statements made in my Despatch to you of the 20th May are unwarrantable, and whether I have misrepresented some facts, and omitted the most important ones.

It should be borne in mind that every Despatch I write to you is seen by my Responsible Advisers, Sir D. Cameron to who would not fail instantly to point out in a Memorandum any errors they found in it, and that nearly every Despatch I write is subsequently published in the Colony, and freely discussed here, and The Private Secretis is made known to Sir D. Cameron. On the other hand his Despatches are kept secret alike from tary to the Assist. myself and the public. Only recently Her Majesty's Government have made comments on my ant Military Secre- proceedings here, which are based on such secret Despatches written by Sir D. Cameron, which comments were unnecessary and undeserved, and calculated to weaken my influence, and are clearly based on erroneous information which should not have been given to Her Majesty's Government.

The Right Hon. Edward Cardwell, M.P.

No. 51.

No. 81.

His Excellency the Governor to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies. SIR,-Government House, Auckland, 8th June, 1865.

It was with very great regret that I learned from your Despatch No. 20, of the 27th March, that you found difficulty in giving me your opinion on the important question of safety, because there appeared to be a discrepancy between my Despatches, and those of General Cameron to the Secretary of State for War, for that officer appeared to suppose that I expected from him services which would render necessary the continued presence in New Zealand, if not indeed the increase, of the present force. After stating this, your remarks clearly indicate your disappointment at my not having given you any explanation on this subject.

2. I trust that I may be furnished with copies of the Despatches to the Secretary of State for War to which you allude that I may show how unjust and erroneous they are; indeed no better proof could be given of this than General Cameron's recent letters to me, of which he tells me he is sending copies to the Secretary of State for War, in which letters he expresses it as his deliberate opinion that a gradual reduction of the force here may and ought to be commenced at once. As I never intend to do that which General Cameron has reported I was about to do I could give you no explanations

regarding a subject which had never entered into my mind.

3. I beg to state that I think that the General Officer here ought not to be allowed to embarrass you with the difficulties General Cameron has done, by making secret reports to Her Majesty's Government, contrary to my public Despatches. General Cameron and my Responsible Advisers see everything that I write to you on such subjects; if they disagree with me, they should tell me so here, and allow me to send my views on their statements, together with such statements. Her Majesty's Government will then have before them both sides of the question, and be able to come to a decision, and give me positive instructions. The course General Cameron has adopted is \model ew to the public service, and can, I feel sure, only lead to such embarrassments as those which have sprung from it.

The Right Hon. Edward Cardwell, M.P.

I have, &c. G. GREY.

No. 82.

No. 52.

His Excellency the Governor to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Sir D. Cameron to Sir G. Grey, 21st SIR,-Government House, Wellington, 6th July, 1865. I have the honor to transmit for your information the copy of a letter, dated the 21st of June, June, 1865.