

I think it very possible that your immigrants might find employment were they scattered over the Province. But I was directed by you to form permanent settlements—to which I could not take employment excepting through the means proposed by me, and objected to by you.

I regret that you should suppose that I have cast imputations on you. I have endeavoured to restrict myself to statements of fact, and to refutation of the blame which you have imputed to me.

I have no recollection of having stated, in the course of the correspondence, that “the General Government had broken faith with me.” If I should have used that expression, I request you to accept my apology. “Breach of agreement,” which is a question of fact, I have spoken of repeatedly.

It does not appear to me that Major Heaphy’s report can bear any such construction as that which you put upon it. The following extracts from that report seem clear and explicit to the contrary:—

“With the exception of a delay caused by Mr. Newman’s moving the town surveyors from the work originally contemplated, the work could not have been executed more speedily.”

“I may state that, from the commencement of the surveys, I have always worked most harmoniously with the Provincial Executive.”

“From an experience of twenty-six years in surveying in various parts of New Zealand, I can confidently affirm that the work could not have been done quicker.”

You have placed a strained construction upon my statement, that if “a sufficient guarantee that the confiscated lands would be handed over to the Provincial Executive had been given by the General Government, I could have obtained with ease the funds required.” It is to be presumed, however, that, in any case, “the claims of immigrants and friendly natives” would be as carefully guarded by me as they could be by the General Government.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I have, &c.,  
ROBERT GRAHAM, Superintendent.

No. 45.

The SUPERINTENDENT, Auckland, to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,— Waikato Settlement Office, Auckland, 22nd April, 1865.

I have the honor to enclose a return of the number of immigrants introduced into the port of Auckland, under the direction of the General Government: the dates of arrival, and the places where located.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I have, &c.,  
ROBERT GRAHAM, Superintendent.

Enclosure to No. 45.

RETURN showing the Number of Immigrants landed in the Port of AUCKLAND, under the auspices of the General Government; where they have been located, and remarks thereon.

NO.	NAME OF SHIP.	WHERE FROM.	DATE OF ARRIVAL.	ADULTS.		PLACE OF LOCATION.	REMARKS.
				STAT-UTE.	MALES.		
1	Steinwaerder.	Cape .	1864. 18th Oct.	159	60	Whiri Whiri	The immigrants by these two vessels have been put in possession of their allotments.
2	Alfred .	” .	18th Nov.	171	91	Waipipi .	
3	Reihersteig.	” .	23rd Dec.	125	56	Maioro .	
4	Maori .	” .	”	270	124	Mauku .	The passengers by these two ships were sent in the first instance to Drury, and thence drafted to the various settlements.
5	Eveline .	” .	”	252	133	Maketu .	
						Tuakau .	
						Pukekohe	
6	Helenslee .	Glasgow .	”	259	122	Pokeno .	Surveyors are at work.
7	Matoaka .	London .	1865. 3rd Jan.	361	176	Waiuku .	
8	Ganges .	Queenstown	16th Feb.	364	172	Onehunga .	These have gone to Drury
9	Bombay .	London .	18th Mar.	325	161	Gt. South Rd.	Surveyors at work.
10	Viola .	Glasgow .	4th April.	283	142	Wairoa .	Surveyors at work.
				2569	1237		

No. 46.

The SPEAKER of the AUCKLAND PROVINCIAL COUNCIL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,— Provincial Council Chamber, Auckland, May 4th, 1865.

I have the honor, by Order of the Auckland Provincial Council, to forward the enclosed Resolutions passed by the Council on the 3rd of May instant.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

I have, &c.,  
WM. POWDITCH, Speaker.