

Sub-Enclosure in Enclosure 2 in No. 11.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL TREASURER.

(No. 241.)

Referring to the transactions of the Receivers of Intestate and Real Estates which involve the receipt and expenditure of, in some cases, considerable sums of money, and to the fact that the Government (which through its officers is responsible for the security of the funds) has no cognizance whatever of these transactions until an order of the Supreme Court is made, directing the payment of a Balance into the Colonial Treasury. It is submitted that the Receivers of Intestate Estates throughout the Colony should be required to furnish to the Colonial Treasurer, quarterly statements of all sums received and expended by them in the official administration of these Funds and of the Balances in their hands.

Treasury, June 15th, 1865.

C. T. BATKIN,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HON. THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Whatever may be the legal liability of the Colony as to re-payment in case of defalcations I have no doubt as to its moral obligations.

If this be a correct view, the Colonial Treasurer ought to be kept officially informed of the dimensions of the account.

I entirely approve therefore of Mr. Batkin's suggestions, and request the Honorable the Attorney-General, if he concurs, to issue the necessary instructions.

16th June, 1865.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT.

STATEMENT OF THE TOTAL SUMS RECEIVED INTO THE COLONIAL TREASURY ON ACCOUNT OF  
INTESTATE ESTATES TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1865.

	REAL.			Intestate.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
At Auckland	180	18	4	4319	2	2
“ Taranaki	.....			137	6	7
“ Wellington	4	7	6	709	4	9
“ Napier	.....			.....		
“ Nelson	.....			179	19	4
“ Marlborough	.....			.....		
“ Canterbury	.....			656	6	1
“ Otago	.....			25367	11	6
“ Southland	.....			58	0	0
Total Intestate	.....			31427	10	5
“ Real	.....			185	5	10
Total	.....			£31,612	16	3

C. T. BATKIN,  
Accountant.

I hereby certify that the sums included in the above statement have from time to time been deposited by direction of the Colonial Treasurer to the credit of the “Intestate Estates Fund Account” with the Bank of New Zealand at Wellington, and that the balance standing to credit of that account this day amounts to the sum of *twenty-two thousand one hundred and seven pounds 19s. 1d.*

Treasury, Wellington, 30th June, 1865.

J. WOODWARD,  
Assistant Treasurer.

I hereby certify that the balance of the several sums deposited by direction of the Colonial Treasurer to credit of the “Intestate Estates Fund Account” with the Bank of New Zealand, Wellington, amounts this day to *Thirty-two thousand one hundred and seven pounds 19s. 1d. sterling.*

Bank of New Zealand,  
Wellington, 4th July, 1865.

N. BODDINGTON,  
Accountant