

# OF THE CONFISCATED LANDS.

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of the crops. The advantages of local municipal government will be afforded to the settlers as early and as fully as possible. For the use of the agriculturists several steam ploughs and other approved machines and implements will be imported, and the settlers be allowed the use of them, free of cost beyond the payment of working expenses. Facilities for obtaining stock upon reasonable terms will be afforded to those desirous of entering into pastoral pursuits. In short, the Governments having, as they will, large funds at their service, will endeavour to the utmost to raise up model settlements upon the lands which they now offer on what they conceive to be highly favourable terms to persons desirous of emigrating, or of assisting their friends to emigrate.

To the industrious the smaller lots will insure an independence, the larger lots a fortune.

The Governments undertake to provide the settlers with proper protection from the ill-disposed Maoris. No difficulties with them are anticipated. The natives are now disposed to cultivate friendly relations with the Europeans, and the Governments are sedulously anxious to encourage the growth of such relations.

## SCHEDULE.

Lots.	Each in Acres.	Total Acres.	Passages each Lot.	Total Passages.
1	100,000	100,000	8 Cabin	8 Cabin
2	50,000	100,000	6 “	12 “
3	20,000	60,000	5 “	15 “
5	10,000	50,000	4 “	20 “
15	5,000	75,000	3 “	45 “
35	2,000	70,000	2 “	70 “
70	1,000	70,000	6 Steerage	420 Steerage
140	500	70,000	5 “	700 “
200	250	50,000	4 “	800 “
* 1450	100	145,000	3 “	4,350 “
* 4200	50	210,000	3 “	12,600 “
6121	Lots equal to	1,000,000	Total Passages {	170 Cabin 18,870 Steerage

\* If it be thought desirable to increase the number of prizes, prizes of 25 acres could be offered, some being deducted from the 50 acre and 100 acre lots. Thus, there could be 100 one hundred acre lots, 3000 fifty-acre lots, and 4200 twenty-five-acre lots. This would make up the million acres exactly. By attaching one passage to the 25-acre lots, the reduction of the 50 and 100-acre lots, averaging three passages each, would leave a reduction in the total of 750 passages. The three last lots would stand thus:—

1000 lots, 100 acres, equal to 100,000.	3 passages each lot, equal to	3000
3000 „ 50 „ .. 150,000.	3 „ .. ..	9000
4200 „ 25 „ .. 105,000.	1 „ .. ..	4200
<u>8200 lots.</u>	<u>355,000 acres.</u>	<u>Passages. 16,200</u>

As compared with the two lines upon which this is a suggested alteration, there is the same number of acres, an increase of 2,550 lots, making in all 8671 lots, and a decrease of 750 immigrants, leaving in all 18,120 steerage passengers. I do not know whether this would be an improvement. The 750 passages saved would cover the extra cost of survey. Perhaps an increase of prizes would make the lottery more attractive. Supposing the alteration adopted, its incorporation into the Prospectus would be easy.

## No. 2.

Copy of a Letter from the HON. E. W. STAFFORD to HIS HONOR I. E. FEATHERSTON.

SIR,—

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 22nd December, 1865.

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter from Mr. Vogel, transmitting a Prospectus, a