## CORRESPONDENCE

RELATIVE TO

## THE DISALLOWANCE OF PROVINCIAL BILLS.

## PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.

No. 1.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor F. WHITAKER to the Hon. E. W. STAFFORD. Superintendent's Office,

(No. 262.) SIR,-

Auckland, 10th April, 1866.

In your letter of the 19th February, you inform me that the Attorney-General thinks, that "The City Board Loan Act, No. 2, 1865," did authorize the Board to borrow: it principally authorizes a loan to the Board, and, thereby, authorizes the Board to borrow."

I should not trouble you with any further discussion on this subject if it affected only the Act in question, but as it affects also future proceedings of the Provincial Government, I shall feel much obliged if you will be so good as to inform me, whether I am to consider that the instructions issued to Superintendents on the 2nd of May, 1857, and published in the Government Gazette of the same day, apply to Acts authorizing the Provincial Government to lend money, as they thus impliedly, though not expressly, authorize some person or public body to borrow.

I have, &c.,

FREDERICK WHITAKER, Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

No. 2.

Copy of a Letter from the Hon. E. W. STAFFORD to His Honor F. WHITAKER.

(No. 144.)

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Wellington, 23rd April, 1866.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Honor's letter No. 262, of the 10th instant, requesting that you may be informed whether the instructions issued to Superintendents on the 2nd of May, 1857, in reference to Loan Bills, apply to Acts authorizing the Provincial Government to lend

I have referred this question to the acting Law Officer, and he advises me that those instructions appear to him only to operate on Bills for raising loans much in the same manner as "The Southland Provincial Debt Act, 1865," now operates, only substituting the General Assembly for the Governor.

His Honor the Superintendent, Auckland.

I have, &c., E. W. Stafford.

No. 3.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. Carleton to the Hon. E. W. Stafford.

(No. 85.)

Superintendent's Office,

Auckland, 1st May, 1866. SIR.-I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd of April last, having reference to instructions issued to Superintendents on the 2nd of May, 1857, and their application to Acts authorizing the Provincial Governments to lend money.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I have, &c., HUGH CARLETON, (f or the Superintendent.)

## PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.

No. 1.

Copy of a Letter from His Honor I. E. Featherston to His Excellency Sir George Grey, K.C.B. Superintendent's Office, (No. 66-1292.) SIR,-

Wellington, 27th July, 1866. I do myself the honor to forward to your Excellency copies of six Acts passed by the