In reply, I am to request that you will state to Earl Granville that, as the services of Captain Young were placed at the disposal of the Governor during the continuance of warlike operations, Mr. Cardwell sees no objection to his employment in the manner reported by Sir George Bowen; but Mr. Cardwell presumes that, as the 2nd Battalion 18th Foot is about to be withdrawn, Captain Young will rejoin his regiment.

I have, &c.,

Sir Frederic Rogers, Bart., K.C.M.G.

EDWARD LUGARD.

No. 11.

COPY of a LETTER from Sir F. R. SANDFORD, to the UNDER SECRETARY of STATE for WAR.

SIR,—

Downing Street, 23rd October, 1869.

I am directed by Earl Granville to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th instant, authorizing the employment of Captain Young on duty in the Waikato District in New Zealand, but observing that Mr. Cardwell presumes that Captain Young will rejoin his regiment on its being withdrawn from the Colony.

Lord Granville desires me state that he did not understand by your letter of the 23rd of March that Captain Young's appointment as Acting Military Secretary to the Governor of New Zealand was to terminate on the withdrawal of the 2-18th Regiment, but that he might be retained by the Governor during the continuance of the present warlike operations against the rebel Maoris.

There is no immediate prospect of these operations being brought to a close, and Lord Granville would be glad to be informed whether this view is correct

before writing to the Governor on your present letter.

I have, &c.,

The Under Secretary of State for War.

F. R. SANDFORD.

No. 12.

COPY of a LETTER from the Under Secretary of State for War to Sir F. R. SANDFORD.

SIR,—

War Office, 28th October, 1869.

In reply to your letter of the 23rd instant, upon the subject of the employment in New Zealand of Captain Young, 2nd Battalion 18th Regiment, I am directed to acquaint you, for the information of Earl Granville, that should his Lordship consider it desirable that the services of this officer should be continued in the Colony after the withdrawal of his regiment, Mr. Cardwell has no objection to offer to his retention, but only for so long a time as the present operations against the Maoris may continue.

I have, &c.,

Sir F. R. Sandford.

EDWARD LUGARD.

No. 13.

COPY of a LETTER from the UNDER SECRETARY of STATE for WAR to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies.

SIR,—

War Office, 2nd November, 1869.

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Cardwell to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th August last, respecting the claim preferred by the Colonial Government of New Zealand on account of expenses incurred in the maintenance of Military prisoners in Colonial gaols during the period from the 1st January, 1864, to the 1st April, 1869.

In reply, I am directed to inform you that Mr. Secretary Cardwell has been in communication with the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury on the subject, and that the sum of £1,617 13s. 10d., being the amount (£1,682)