

Irish Regiment,) has suspended the proposed sale by public competition of these allotments, pending the decision of the higher authorities.

The Right Hon. Earl Granville, K.G.

I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

Enclosure in No. 44.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. McLEAN.

HIS Excellency the Governor is respectfully requested to move General Sir Trevor Chute, pending reference to the Imperial authorities in England, to cause the advertisement relating to the disposal of certain allotments of land situate within the grounds of the "Albert" Barracks, Auckland, and of the lower "Mount Cook" Barracks, Wellington, to be withdrawn.

The New Zealand Government will, if required, repay the original cost of the land, or make other equitable arrangements for its possession.

It seems that had the special circumstances affecting the land in these barracks been known to the Imperial authorities, a mode of sale by which private persons might obtain possession of any of the allotments would not have been sanctioned.

The public interest requires that the whole of the land within the barrack wall should come into the hands of the Colonial Government.

Auckland, 7th January, 1870.

DONALD McLEAN.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 44.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received at this office until noon of Monday, 31st January, 1870, from persons desirous of purchasing the under-mentioned pieces of land, viz. :—

Albert Barracks, Auckland—Section 13.

- No. 1—1 rood 5 perches.
- No. 2—35 perches.
- No. 10—1 rood, with small cottage thereon.
- No. 11—36 perches, ditto.

Mount Cook Barracks, Wellington.

One-third of acre No. 84 }
Ditto No. 85 } one-third acre each, situated on west side of upper barracks.

Acre No. 226 } one acre each, adjoining each other, with frontage to Buckle Street, with
„ No. 223 } the Imperial Government Buildings thereon.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Further information can be obtained at the office of the Commanding Royal Engineer, Albert Barracks, Auckland.

Commissariat, New Zealand,
Auckland, 4th January, 1870.

FRANCIS INNES, D.A.C.G.

No. 45.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G., to the
Right Hon. Earl GRANVILLE, K.G.

(No. 24). Government House, Auckland,
MY LORD,— New Zealand, 13th February, 1870.

At the request of my Responsible Advisers, I have the honor to transmit the enclosed Ministerial Memorandum, expressing their sense of the value of the protection afforded by Her Majesty's ships to the maritime settlement at Tauranga, during recent threatened disturbances.

2. I have sent to Commodore Lambert a copy of this Memorandum, with which I entirely concur. Perhaps your Lordship will cause a copy of it to be forwarded also to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

The Right Hon. Earl Granville, K.G.

I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

Enclosure in No. 45.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. McLEAN.

MINISTERS respectfully submit to His Excellency the Governor that Commodore Rowley Lambert, R.N., should be thanked for the active assistance and co-operation afforded by Captain Montgomerie, of H.M.S. "Blanche," during recent threatened disturbances at Tauranga.

The confidence inspired among the settlers and Natives by the presence of H.M. ships "Blanche"