PAPERS RELATING TO THE

Enclosure 1 in No. 159.

Message No. 5, Superintendent, Otago, to Provincial Council.

THE Superintendent transmits herewith Despatch just received from the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, in which he invites, in pursuance of the 6th section of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," the expression of the opinion of the Superintendent and Provincial Council, relative to the construction of certain lines of railway, with a view to those opinions being laid, in terms of said section, before the General Assembly at its next Session.

The Superintendent solicits the concurrence of the Provincial Council in the construction of the line in question.

1st June, 1871.

J. MACANDREW. Superintendent.

Enclosure 2 in No. 159.

REPLY to SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE No. 5.—OTAGO PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

THAT this Council having had under its consideration the communication from the Hon. the Colonial

Secretary, contained in His Honor's Message No. 5,-

Resolved, That this Council acquiesces in the construction of the railway between Dunedin and Balclutha so far as it has made progress, and respectfully requests that the Colonial Government will continue its construction and complete it at the earliest possible time, and will take all necessary steps to obtain the concurrence of His Excellency the Governor and the sanction of the General Assembly to the immediate construction of the following lines of railway in terms of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," namely:-

- Invercargill to Mataura.
 Waitaki to Moeraki, thence to Waikouaiti.
- 3. Tokomairiro to Tuapeka.
- 4. Mossgiel to Outram.
- 5. Winton to Kingston; and
- 6. Balclutha to Mataura.

Passed the Provincil Council, 8th June, 1871.

CHAS. SMITH, Clerk of Council.

JNO. G. GILLIES, Speaker.

No. 160.

His Honor J. MACANDREW to the Hon. W. GISBORNE.

Superintendent's Office, Dunedin, 24th July, 1871. SIR,-Referring to my letter of 22nd June, forwarding resolutions of the Provincial Council as to the construction of certain railway lines therein specified, I have now to transmit herewith further

resolutions recommending the following. viz.:—

Branch Railway, Papakaio to Greytown.

Railway between Waikouaiti and Dunedin.

Railway-Tokomairiro to Laurence; together with Petition of certain Residents in Dunedin and Tuapeka relative thereto.

Railway-Oamaru to Waiareka.

Recommending the respective lines to the favourable consideration of the Government, I have, &c.,

J. MACANDREW,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Superintendent.

Enclosure 1 in No. 160.

RESOLUTION of Provincial Council of Otago: Branch Line of Railway, Papakaio to Greytown. THAT a branch line of railway from the Main Trunk Line at Pukeuri Point, Papakaio to Greytown, Awamoko Creek, a distance of about twelve miles, be placed in the Second Schedule of Railways to be recommended for the sanction of the General Assembly to be constructed in terms of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870." (Mr. Sumpter and Mr. Mervyn.)

Passed the Provincial Council, 13th June, 1871.

John G. Gillies, Speaker.

CHAS. SMITH, Clerk of Council.

John G. Gillies, Speaker.

Enclosure 2 in No. 160.

Resolution of Provincial Council of Otago: Railway Line between Waikouaiti and Dunedin. THAT an Address be presented to His Honor the Superintendent, requesting him to urge the Colonial Government to cause the survey of a railway line between Waikouaiti and Dunedin to be effected, with the view of having that line constructed at an early period. (Mr. McKenzie.)

Passed the Provincial Council, 14th June, 1871. CHAS. SMITH, Clerk of Council.

Enclosure 3 in No. 160.

RESOLUTION of Provincial Council of Otago: Petition of certain Residents of Dunedin and Tuapeka.

That an Address be presented to His Honor the Superintendent, requesting that he will be pleased to forward for the information of the General Government the petition of certain residents in