

Provided always, and it is hereby ordered, that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend or take away or abridge the undoubted right and authority of Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, upon the humble petition of any person or persons aggrieved by any judgment, decree, order, or sentence of the said Courts or either of them, to admit his, her, or their appeal to Her Majesty in Council from any such judgment, decree, order, or sentence, either of the said Supreme Court or of the said Court of Appeal, upon such terms and upon such securities, limitations, restrictions, and regulations as Her Majesty, her heirs or successors, shall think fit, and to affirm, reverse, correct, or vary such judgment or determination as to Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, shall seem meet.

And the Right Honorable the Earl of Kimberley, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

EDMUND HARRISON.

No. 75.

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

(No. 50.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 9th June, 1871.

I have to acknowledge your Despatch No. 28, of 23rd March, enclosing copies of the addresses presented to you during your official tour through the Province of Otago, with copies of your replies.

I have read with much satisfaction your account of the remarkable progress of the Province, and the loyal spirit displayed by the inhabitants on the occasion of your recent journey.

I have, &c.,

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

KIMBERLEY.

No. 76.

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

(No. 52.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 16th June, 1871.

I transmit to you, for your information, a copy of a letter from Mr. Vogel, respecting the Naval force on the Coasts of New Zealand.

I also enclose a copy of a correspondence which has passed on the subject with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Her Majesty's Government have endeavoured to meet the wishes of the New Zealand Government, as far as they could consistently with a due regard to the other exigencies of the Naval Service, and your Government will, no doubt, learn with satisfaction the intention of the Admiralty to reinforce the squadron under Commodore Stirling's command.

I have, &c.,

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

KIMBERLEY.

Enclosure 1 in No. 76.

Mr. VOGEL to Lord KIMBERLEY.

MY LORD—

Charing Cross Hotel, London, 1st May, 1871.

I have the honor to represent to your Lordship, that the Government of New Zealand, when the troops were removed from the Colony, valued very highly what they understood to be the assurance that they might rely on the presence of two of Her Majesty's vessels on the Coast. It was not an expectation or a desire that they might have to ask assistance from the vessels which caused the arrangement to be so gratifying to the Government; but they felt that the sense of security which the vessels would afford, and the constant evidence which they would supply to the Native mind, that the removal of the troops was not to be regarded as an abandonment of the Colony by Her Majesty, would be very valuable.

From a Despatch which your Lordship has sent to His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, in reply to a Memorandum by my colleague, Mr. Fox, the contents of which have been communicated to me, I gather that your Lordship, while desiring to assist the Colony, objects to giving any specific pledge which might be held to limit the exercise of future discretion as to the disposition of Her Majesty's vessels. The difficulty which this objection raises may, I think, be easily surmounted. It might be understood that such arrangements as your Lordship would be willing to make were liable to be disturbed and varied, consequent upon unforeseen emergencies. Upon this footing I respectfully urge your Lordship to move the Admiralty to direct that two vessels should continue, for the present, on the New Zealand Coast.

Mr. Vogel,  
May 1, 1871.  
C.O. to Admiralty,  
May 18, 1871.  
Admiralty,  
June 1, 1871.