No. 34.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 790.)

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

13th June, 1873. With reference to the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's Memorandum of 12th April (No. 155, 1873), you will already have seen, from my previous correspondence, that I had anticipated the wishes of the Government by declining to entertain the proposal submitted by Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co. for the conveyance of emigrants to New Zealand via Cape of Good Hope.

I have, &c.

I. É. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

No. 35.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 791.)

SIR.

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

13th June, 1873.

Referring to the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's Memorandum of 12th April (No. 60, 1873), in which he refers to the "absolute necessity of appointing elderly females capable of maintaining order, and not inexperienced young girls, as matrons on board vessels carrying Government immigrants," I beg to state that I thoroughly agree in the opinion expressed by Mr. O'Rorke, and that his recommendation will in future be carried out.

I have, &c., I. E. Featherston,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

No. 36.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 792.) SIB,

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

13th June, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's letter (No. 53, 1873.) of 25th March, directing me to "furnish quarterly a statement of accounts, giving the name of the ship, the names of the immigrants, the amounts paid, whether in cash or bills, and the dates of payment in each case.'

I have, &c., I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

No. 37.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 793.)

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

13th June, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's letter (No. 51, 1873,) of 25th March, informing me that the Government have decided to allow to the legal representatives of the late Dr. L'Estrange the sum of £40, being one-half the amount that gentleman would have been entitled to receive as surgeon of the ship "Glenlora" if he had lived until the termination of the voyage and performed his duties satisfactorily.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

No. 38.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 794.)

SIR,

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

13th June, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's Memorandum of 25th March (No. 52, 1873), enclosing copy of a letter from Carl Wackrow, a Scandinavian emigrant by the "Forfarshire."

Inquiry shall be made into the statement as to the alleged over-payment to the agent at Copenhagen, and I will communicate the result to the Government by the next mail.

I have, &c., I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.