No. 48.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

Wellington, 25th March, 1874. (Telegram.) Arrived, Glasgow, Woodlark. Send larger number building artisans, especially carpenters. Grave complaints concerning character late immigrants. Government positively instruct you take steps insure selection only persons good character. Ammunition order sent August not acknowledged. Ammunition much wanted. Authorize temporary employment Secretary, subject one month's notice, at salary you consider reasonable.

Featherston, London.

VOGEL.

No. 49.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 70.)

SIR,-

Immigration Office, Wellington, 1st April, 1874. Referring to your letter No. 974, of 23rd January ultimo, in which you inform me that although the whole of the emigrants by the "Scimitar" have received contract tickets for Dunedin, it

has been arranged that any of the passengers who preferred to proceed to Canterbury or Wellington, should be forwarded at the expense of the Government, I desire to express my opinion that the arrangement of despatching emigrants for one Province to the port of arrival in another, is open to

very grave objections, and should not be made but under very exceptional circumstances.

I have already upon this subject given you instructions in my telegram of 11th October, 1873, and my letter No. 221, of 22nd October, 1873, and I would again reiterate that no arrangement for translationary and the baseline and the statement of the statemen ments for transhipment are to be made unless you are absolutely unable to fill a ship, when ready for sea, with emigrants for her port of arrival, or that you cannot for any particular port obtain a direct ship. In all cases where emigrants are to be forwarded to other Provinces than that in which the port of arrival of the ship is situated, it is desirable that this should be clearly understood by the officers of this department, and for this purpose I have to request that separate lists may be sent of such emigrants, arranged according to the Provinces to which they are to be sent. This is not intended to interfere with, but to be supplementary to, the ships' books as at present made up, which seem admirably adapted for their purpose. It would be desirable also that the contract tickets should state distinctly the final destination of the emigrant via the port of arrival.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c., JULIUS VOGEL.

No. 50.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(Telegram.) Wellington, 1st April, 1874. SEND two ships with emigrants Marlborough direct: arrive October, December. Send immediately ship Taranaki direct, with emigrants. Featherston, London. VOGEL.

No. 51.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 77.) Immigration Office, Wellington, 8th April, 1874. Herewith I forward copy of correspondence with His Honor the Superintendent of Westland, relative to the want of female domestic labour in that Province. I believe this is a want general throughout the Colony, and, with due regard to selection, I think you need place no limit at present upon the number of this class of emigrants which you may despatch.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c., Julius Vogel.

Enclosure 1 in No. 51.

The Immigration Officer, Greymouth, to the Under Secretary for Immigration.

Immigration Office, Greymouth, 23rd February, 1874. Sir,-I have the honor to forward herewith a memorial, signed by sixty-five of the most influential residents of Greymouth, requesting me to call the attention of the Government to the large demand existing in the district for female servants. I have in previous communications referred to this subject, and recommended the introduction of single women; and I would especially refer to my report of 31st March, 1873. The influx of nominated immigrants is quite inadequate to meet the demand. All the single women who have arrived were engaged at once at very high wages, and I