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of the South Wales mining district, I have seen these men and their families leaving for America in an uninterrupted stream. The advance in the price of coal and iron has, of course, improved their position. But only a short time ago some 20,000 of these men were out on strike. They might have been brought to this Colony—had they come they would have been valuable in the development of our mineral resources.

(d.) Seamen and Fishermen.—On the seaboard of Wales, the coast of Pembrokeshire for example, a number of hardy fishermen might be obtained to assist in making our New Zealand fisheries the sources of wealth they should be. The seamen bred on the Welsh coast are equal, for daring and skill, to any sailors in the world.

(e.) Besides, the diffusion of sound and full information through the mineral districts, touching

New Zealand, would not be lost upon the great capitalists of the mining districts.

The people of Wales, like all mountaineers, are much attached to their country; they cling tenaciously to their ancient language, in spite of English being the language of business; and they are clannish. They move en masse, or not at all. There is only one channel by which they may be reached effectually. In Wales the ministers of religion are the leaders of the people in all matters. Their opposition would be fatal to any effort: their co-operation would secure success. This might be secured, (1.) By the appointment of an emigration agent for Wales. He would need to be well acquainted with New Zealand, and well known to, and trusted by, the people of Wales. I do not know where such a person may be engaged. A year ago I had some thoughts of visiting England. Had I gone, I should have been glad to have accepted such a commission, had the Government seen fit to entrust me with it. But I have given up that idea for the present. (2.) Should the appointment of an agent for Wales be impracticable, something might be done by forwarding full information about New Zealand to some of the leading ministers of various denominations in the Principality, and enlisting their interest. Should the Government think well of the matter, I shall be happy to name gentlemen in the Principality who will be of service.

I am anxious, for the sake of my countrymen, and also for the sake of my adopted country, that

some steps should be taken in regard to this matter.

I have, &c., J. T. WARLOW DAVIES, M.A.,

The Hon. J. Vogel, Minister for Immigration, Wellington. Congregational Minister.

Enclosure 2 in No. 9.

SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 30th June, 1874.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your very valuable and interesting letter of

18th instant, upon the subject of desirability of inducing emigration from Wales.

I have to inform you that the Agent-General's attention was some time ago directed to this matter, and he has reported that he has increased the number of his local agents in that part of the United Kingdom, and taken other measures to make better known there the advantages offered by New Zealand for emigration.

A copy of your letter will be forwarded to him by the mail, for his information, with the recom-

mendation to give it his earnest attention.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL.

Mr. J. T. Warlow Davis, M.A., Auckland.

No. 10.

The Hon. J. Vogel to the Agent-General.

(No. 189.)

SIR,

Immigration Office, Wellington, 2nd July, 1874.

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter received from Messrs. J. Duthie and Co., of Wanganui, inquiring whether the Government will instruct the Agent-General to send a suitable number of emigrants by a ship which it is proposed to lay on in London for Wanganui direct; also of a letter from Mr. John Bryce, the member for the district in the General Assembly, upon the same subject.

I have informed Mr. Bryce that although I am not able to make a positive arrangement with Messrs. Duthie and Co., on account of not being in possession of your latest arrangements with regard to emigration, and not being able, of course, to guarantee that a sufficient number of emigrants could be obtained for Wanganui to complete the complement of a ship, I will send you a copy of the letters referred to, with instructions that, if you approve of the vessel when chartered, you are to send by her as many emigrants as you are able to procure, and as you consider desirable. I presume Messrs. Duthie's agents in London—Messrs. Brooker, Dore, and Co., 2, Rood Lane, E. C.—will place themselves directly in communication with your office.

I have, &c.,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

JULIUS VOGEL.

Enclosure 1 in No. 10.

Messrs. Duthie and Co., to the Hon. the Minister for Immigration.

We have the honor to inform you, that by the next outward mail we forward orders to our London correspondents equal to 350 to 400 tons measurement, and are desirous to secure direct freight for it to this port early in October, and would be prepared to repeat the order after an interval of two months.