

Enclosure 2 in No. 8.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. R. G. W. HERBERT.

SIR,—

7, Westminster Chambers, 3rd September, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 27th ultimo, acquainting me that Her Majesty's Chargé-d'Affaires at Berlin has been informed by the Prussian Government that, in view of the inclination to emigrate spreading largely in some of the provinces, it proposes to expel from the country all emigration agents, sub-agents, and other recruiters, who are not of German nationality, and from this measure it would not be possible to except emigration agents sent from the British Colonies.

In reply, I beg to state for Lord Kimberley's information that all the emigration agents employed by me in that country are Germans, and have taken out the customary license necessary for their protection.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General for New Zealand.

The Hon. R. G. W. Herbert, Colonial Office,

No. 9.

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

(No. 641.)

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

SIR,—

24th September, 1873.

Referring to the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's Memorandum of June 24th, covering copy of further correspondence with His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland with reference to Mr. Farnall's proposed special settlement, I need only state that I have already addressed the Government very fully on the subject. The enclosed copy of letter received from Mr. Vesey Stewart on the 16th instant, in which he proposes that he should receive a premium of 150 guineas per head on "50 eligible young men" to proceed to the Colony, and to remain there under his charge for a period of two years at a fixed rate, will show the Government that Mr. Stewart is not prepared to carry out the original proposal. But, as I have already stated in my previous correspondence, I shall lose no opportunity that may present itself of giving effect to His Honor the Superintendent's wishes in this matter.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General.

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

Enclosure in No. 9.

Mr. G. V. STEWART to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Landed Estates Agency, Lisbeg, Ballygawley, 16th September, 1873.

As you were good enough to write to me on a former occasion stating you would render me all assistance in your power relative to proposed special settlement in Auckland, I wish to lay before you a scheme that has suggested itself to me, and should be glad to have your advice and assistance in the matter. I do not intend to leave this country for Auckland till May. I have some property to sell, and other arrangements to make, which preclude starting sooner.

It has therefore occurred to me, that if I inserted some advertisements in *Standard* and *Times* newspapers, directed to parents and guardians, that I might receive applications from perhaps 50 eligible young men as to position and character to accompany me, of course, on payment of a premium, which I would place at 150 guineas; and I would take charge of these young men with my own sons, for say two years and a fixed rate when they should be able to start in life on their own account. I would wish, however, at the expiration of two years to be able to hold out some inducement to these young men, such as a guarantee of say one hundred acres of land free to each. I honestly believe it would be a good thing for the Colony, as, for the sake of my own children, I would not allow any person to join us unless those whose character would bear the most strict and searching investigation, and we may conclude that they will go out to the Colony to settle, and induce relations hereafter to follow. Then the pecuniary terms I would place upon them would command a selection from those possessed, or likely to be possessed, of capital.

If, therefore, the Government at Auckland would sanction a grant of 100 acres to each at expiration of two years after landing, I would at once insert my advertisement, and take the liberty of making reference to you in reply to any applications.

I have not the pleasure of your personal acquaintance, but can refer you, if required, to several members of Parliament. Could I also domicile my letters on the subject from your office, as I should have to go to London, to save time, to meet inquiries and see applicants, and would like to meet persons at your office, which would not only save expense, but be more convenient for reference and information that might be asked. I would take up my own quarters at the Junior Carlton Club.