

## No. 14.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Wellington.

SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 7th February, 1874.

It is desirable that I should give you a general authority for expenditure in connection with immigration in this Province, the management of which your Honor has by arrangement undertaken.

I shall be prepared to sanction such expenditure as may come under the following heads and conditions. Vouchers for the same, properly substantiated by your Honor, will be duly recognized :—

1. *Local Staff.*

(The salaries noted are those upon the last Estimates.)

	£	s.	d.
Immigration Officer ... ..	375	0	0
Clerk (also Dépôt Master, £130) ... ..	20	0	0
Visiting Surgeon, paid by fees under agreement.			
Cadet ... ..	40	0	0
Dépôt Master and Matron ... ..	180	0	0
Quarantine Keeper and Matron ... ..	120	0	0
Immigration Officer for Rangitikei ... ..	50	0	0
Do do Wanganui ... ..	50	0	0
Officer in charge of Scandinavian settlements (also Engineer, P. W., £300) ... ..	50	0	0
Schoolmaster to Scandinavians (this appointment was for one year, terminating, if expedient, in May next)	100	0	0

If circumstances render it necessary to make any alterations, or to increase the staff, every consideration will be given to your Honor's recommendations.

2. *Buildings and Repairs.*

The immigrants' dépôts, quarantine station, &c., are authorized to be kept in good serviceable repair, so as to be fit and suitable for the temporary accommodation of immigrants.

3. *Maintenance of Immigrants while waiting Engagement.*

Under ordinary circumstances, maintenance for immigrants is authorized for one week after arrival, during which time they may be supposed to find work.

Unless under exceptional circumstances, single men should certainly not require to be maintained more than a week after arrival, but further time may be allowed to married people with families.

4. *Expenses connected with Landing Immigrants.*

All expenses for landing, wharfage, and carriage of immigrants and baggage to the dépôt are authorized; also expenses connected with forwarding immigrants to the country districts.

5. *Medical Attendance.*

Necessary medical attendance for immigrants, whilst in the dépôt or under maintenance by the Government, is authorized.

6. *Occasional Pecuniary Assistance.*

Pecuniary assistance is authorized in exceptional circumstances, such as want of means to proceed to place where employment is offered, loss of baggage, insufficient outfit to suit climate. Promissory notes should in such cases be taken for the amount advanced.

7. *Advertising and Printing.*

Advertisements in the local newspapers, of class of immigrants requiring employment, and of hiring days, are authorized.

8. *Rent.*

Rent of suitable offices for the Immigration Officer is authorized.

9. *Settlements of Scandinavians in Seventy-Mile Bush.*

Expenditure is authorized for locating new arrivals of Scandinavians in the villages, and for settling them on the land, the present arrangements for repayment by the immigrants for the land being continued.

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

I have, &c.,  
JULIUS VOGEL.

## MARLBOROUGH

## No. 15.

His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Marlborough, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

SIR,— Superintendent's Office, Blenheim, 23rd October, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram, and letters, and of your printed letter, on the subject of immigration.

In reply, I beg to assure you that the Provincial Government will cordially co-operate with you in the arrangements you propose, and will endeavour as far as possible to facilitate the introduction of as many immigrants as the Province can absorb.

There is at present a great demand for labour to maintain ordinary industries. The station-holders are experiencing much difficulty in obtaining hands for the summer's work of shearing, &c.; and the agriculturists are looking forward with anxiety to the coming harvest, with apprehension of not being able to procure men to gather it. The demand for domestic female servants is ever the same, and no greater boon could be given than a copious supply of this class of labour.