

## No. 6.

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

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Auckland, 16th April, 1874.

Adverting to your letter of the 19th December last, on the subject of immigration depôts, I have the honor to forward, for consideration by the Hon. the Minister for Public Works, the enclosed copy of a memorandum and sketch by Mr. Allwright, recommending the construction of moveable cottages on a simple plan, in preference to the erection of larger buildings, to serve as immigration depôts.

If the Government approve of this recommendation, I shall be glad to receive an answer at an early date, in order that no time may be lost in preparing the cottages for immigrants expected shortly to arrive.

I have, &c.,

J. WILLIAMSON,

Superintendent.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

## Enclosure in No. 6.

MEMORANDUM for His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT.

REFERRING to a conversation with your Honor respecting the location of immigrants at various settlements in the Province, and the erection of depôts for their accommodation on arrival, and cottages for their use when settled on their land, I have the honor to furnish herewith a rough sketch of a cottage constructed on the simplest plan, with galvanized iron roof and sheet iron fireplaces. It is proposed that these cottages should be built where timber is cheap and can be easily procured, and then taken down, packed up, and numbered for re-erection at the places where it is proposed to locate the immigrants on their arrival. The outside of the buildings to be vertical boards and battens. The partitions to be lined on one side. The cost of each cottage, complete, at the present high prices of timber and labour, would be about £130. The freight would be an additional charge, and also the re-erection, if the immigrants were not capable of re-erecting the cottages themselves. I beg to suggest for your consideration whether a system of providing these cottages for the accommodation of immigrants would not be found far preferable to building large and expensive depôts for their temporary use at any one place, and if it would not tend to make them more self-reliant than if they all lived in one large building. The cottages could at any time be taken down and removed to the land on which the immigrants are to be located, upon their giving the required security for the repayment of the cost fixed on the building by the Government.

H. ALLRIGHT,

District Engineer.

Public Works Office, Auckland, 1874.

## No. 7.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Auckland.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 9th May, 1874.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th April ult., in which you forwarded for consideration of the Minister for Public Works, copy of a memorandum and sketches, by Mr. Allwright, of moveable cottages, which you recommend for immigration depôts, in preference to the erection of larger buildings.

In reply, I have to inform you that, having consulted the Hon. the Minister for Public Works upon the subject, I approve of the design for cottages, and shall be willing to authorize the erection of some of the kind, in lieu of depôts for immigrants.

I should also be willing to consider a recommendation from your Honor for the construction of similar cottages under the terms of my letter of 19th December, 1873.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL.

His Honor the Superintendent, Auckland.

## No. 8.

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

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Auckland, 3rd February, 1874.

Herewith I have the honor to forward copy of a letter received from the Chairman of the Auckland Harbour Board, containing a resolution passed by the Board in reference to the importation of deformed immigrants to this port.

I have, &c.,

J. WILLIAMSON,

Superintendent.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

## Enclosure in No. 8.

Mr. W. C. DALDY to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Auckland.

SIR,—

Auckland Harbour Board, Auckland, 1st January, 1874.

I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Board held on the 20th ultimo, the following resolution was adopted:—