

which period the immigrants to be considered as ordinary colonists, and dealt with in the ordinary manner by the local authorities. I shall be glad to have your concurrence in this proposal, which I have no doubt you will consider of a liberal nature.

His Honor the Superintendent, Westland.

I have, &c.,  
JULIUS VOGEL.

### No. 103.

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

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Hokitika, 11th May, 1874.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th March, stating that the Government propose to authorize the payment, by the Immigration Department, of medical and hospital expenses for one month only after the arrival of the immigrants, and requesting my concurrence in the proposal.

In reply, I have the honor to inform you that the provision for medical attendance on immigrants seems to me to be fair, although not having received any considerable number of immigrants, I have had but little opportunity to acquire experience on the subject.

I have, &c.,  
J. BONAR,  
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

### CANTERBURY.

### No. 104.

TELEGRAMS between His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Canterbury, and the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Christchurch, 9th October, 1873.

TENDERS for the immigration depôt at the Ashburton received. Lowest, to complete January 1st, £1,950. Will General Government provide half cost, if Provincial Government accept? The amount is nearly double what I had anticipated, in consequence of rise of labour and material; but I think the work of pressing importance. It provides for twenty families.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

W. ROLLESTON.

Christchurch, 13th October, 1873.

I OMITTED in my telegram to state that I have accepted tenders for barracks, presuming on your concurrence and contribution of a proportion of the cost.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

W. ROLLESTON.

Wellington, 13th October, 1873.

COST of depôt at the Ashburton very large. Summer is coming: would it not be possible to establish a camp there, and put the immigrants under canvas? I think that we can furnish tents from the stores here. All that would then be necessary to build would be a cook-house.

His Honor the Superintendent, Canterbury.

DANIEL POLLEN.

Christchurch, 13th October, 1873.

ASHBURTON Immigration Depôt. I do not think tents would do. We want a permanent provision for distributing immigrants from the centre of a large newly-occupied agricultural district where labour is urgently required. I think the cost considerable, but absolutely necessary if immigration is to continue, and immigrants are to be fairly diffused. To keep immigrants in any numbers at centres of population tends to disease, discontent, and other evils. Trust the Government will accede to my proposal. Time is of the utmost importance.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

W. ROLLESTON.

Wellington, 15th October, 1873.

ASHBURTON Depôt. I will approve expenditure of £750 on behalf of General Government.

His Honor the Superintendent, Canterbury.

JULIUS VOGEL.

### No. 105.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to his Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Canterbury.  
(Circular.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 16th October, 1873.

I have the honor to forward herewith copy of an Order in Council, dated the 15th instant, establishing a system of free nominated emigration to the Colony, trusting to your cordial co-operation with the General Government in their endeavours to bring population to the country. I also enclose copies of forms intended to be used by persons nominating their friends, which I shall be obliged if you will circulate through the medium of Provincial officers and schoolmasters.

These application forms, you will observe, are returnable to the Immigration Officers. If you agree to the proposal I have made you by printed letter, dated 14th instant, to take charge of the