

Wellington, 15th May, 1874.

In accordance with your Honor's recommendation, I authorize repairs to Timaru dépôt.

His Honor the Superintendent, Canterbury.

JULIUS VOGEL.

No. 127.

TELEGRAMS between His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Canterbury, and the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

Timaru, 20th May, 1874.

I CAN make arrangements with the Road Board at Geraldine, through Mr. Tancred, by which, for about £100, I can fit up a large shed for immigrants, which will make good dépôt; the building is 60 feet x 14 feet. Will you authorize this? I also propose, with your approval, to utilize R.M. Court at Temuka for immigrants. Please reply.

The Hon. J. Vogel, Wellington.

W. ROLLESTON.

Wellington, 20th May, 1874.

In accordance with your Honor's recommendation, I authorize expenditure of about £100, to fit up large shed for immigrants at Geraldine. I also approve of your making arrangements for utilizing the R.M. Court at Temuka for immigrants.

His Honor the Superintendent, Timaru.

JULIUS VOGEL.

OTAGO.

No. 128.

Mr. W. B. SCANDRETT to the Hon. the PREMIER.

SIR,—

Invercargill, 30th September, 1873.

I have the honor to hand you a resolution, unanimously passed at a meeting of the Railway Committee (an organization appointed by an influential public meeting for the promotion of immigration, and the completion of the Winton and Kingston Railway) held at Invercargill on the 29th instant, and to solicit your consideration thereof:—

"That the Secretary be requested to communicate with the Hon. the Premier as to the urgent necessity that exists in this district for an influx of immigrants to meet the requirements of the many public works proposed by the Road Boards and the Municipality, and the wants of the agricultural and pastoral settlers; and also to the fact that the contractors for the Colonial public works, such as the Winton and Kingston and Invercargill and Mataura Railways, cannot obtain anything like the number of workmen they require; and draw attention to the circumstance that in the reunion agreement, every third ship was to have landed immigrants at the Bluff, whilst the Provincial Government have repeatedly promised that a stream of immigration should be directed to this district."

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Premier, Colonial Ministry, Wellington.

W. B. SCANDRETT,
Secretary Railway Committee.

No. 129.

The UNDER SECRETARY for IMMIGRATION to Mr. W. B. SCANDRETT.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 20th October, 1873.

In reply to your letter of 30th ultimo, forwarding a resolution adopted at a public meeting upon the subject of immigration to Invercargill, I have the honor to inform you that a letter was addressed to the Agent-General on the 30th August last, suggesting that vessels bound for Dunedin with immigrants might make the Bluff a port of call for the purpose of landing immigrants, and that a telegram has been transmitted to him this day requesting that a vessel may be sent with immigrants direct to that place.

W. B. Scandrett, Esq.,

Secretary to Railway Committee, Invercargill.

I have, &c.,

C. E. HAUGHTON.

No. 130.

Mr. J. W. MITCHELL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(Telegram.)

Invercargill, 24th October, 1873.

IMMIGRATION Committee instructed me to bring under your notice fact that no accession to population here since 6th. Terms reunion with Otago provided one-third immigrants to be landed at Bluff. Provincial Government entirely ignores wants of Southland in this respect, although large numbers of immigrants arriving at Port Chalmers. Want of labour of all kinds severely felt throughout Southland, crippling enterprise generally. Earnestly solicit your sympathies and exertions on behalf our district.

The Hon. J. Vogel, Wellington.

JOHN W. MITCHELL.