

No. 38.

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

New Plymouth, 9th June, 1874.

PLEASED to learn that stringent orders have been sent to Agent-General. When may we expect immigrants? Public works at standstill. Must have immigrants.

FRED. A. CARRINGTON,
Superintendent.

Hon. J. Vogel, Wellington.

Wellington, 11th June, 1874.

RECEIVED your telegram *re* immigration. As I have informed you, I have sent home explicit instructions on subject. Would you like me to arrange to send you one hundred immigrants out of first shipment arriving in Wellington? The "Waikato" is daily expected here.

His Honor the Superintendent, New Plymouth.

JULIUS VOGEL.

New Plymouth, 13th June, 1874.

THANKS for your offer to send us one hundred immigrants—we gladly accept them. We will send our agent to be present when they arrive.

FRED. A. CARRINGTON,
Superintendent.

Hon. J. Vogel, Wellington.

No. 39.

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

SIR,— Superintendent's Office, New Plymouth, 23rd June, 1874.

I have the honor to inform you that the Provincial Government of Taranaki have appointed Mr. William Mumford Burton, late Deputy Auditor of this province, to be their Emigration Agent in England. I shall therefore feel much obliged if you will be so good as to notify the Agent-General on this point. Mr. Burton will probably leave for England by the next out-going mail.

I have, &c.,

F. A. CARRINGTON,
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

No. 40.

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

SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 9th July, 1874.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ult., in which you inform me that Mr. W. M. Burton has been appointed Emigration Agent in England for the Province of Taranaki, and request me to notify the Agent-General thereof.

In reply, I beg to enclose, for your Honor's information, copy of the letter* which was sent to the Agent-General upon the subject by the last San Francisco Mail.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL.

His Honor the Superintendent, Taranaki.

No. 41.

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

SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 6th July, 1874.

It is very desirable that some of the immigrants arriving in your province should at once leave the town and its vicinity, and proceed into the country districts, either to become settlers on their own account, or to accept employment from settlers. To enable this to be done, I shall be inclined not only to allow a moderate expenditure for the cost of transit, but also a proportion of the expense for renting suitable buildings, if any are available, as temporary depôts for the immigrants, in the country towns or villages. The scarcity of house accommodation is such in many of the country districts, that immigrants, especially families, inclined to settle or seek employment in the country, may find themselves deterred from doing so on account of the want of adequate shelter. It has suggested itself to me that it would be very desirable to erect, at different points where employment was available, serviceable but cheap four-roomed cottages or huts, not exceeding in cost £100, for the purpose of letting to the immigrants.

Where the Provincial Government have land to spare in the vicinity of railway works, small areas of land might be included, with the cottages, in a lease. This, however, I leave to the consideration of the Provincial authorities.

I am willing, as a means of thus settling immigrants, to place a certain amount of money at your Honor's disposal to build such cottages or huts, on the following conditions:—

1. That these be let to newly-arrived immigrants with families.
2. That the Provincial Government undertakes and guarantees to return to the General Government the amount expended, with interest at 5 per cent., in four instalments, on the 1st January, 1875, 1876, 1877, and 1878.