His Excellency will not be advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances to which your Honor has assented, viz.,

"The Arrowtown Athenæum Ordinance, 1875;

"The Otago Roads Ordinance 1871 Amendment Ordinance, 1875;" "The Peninsula District Thistle Prevention Ordinance, 1875."

With regard to the Ordinances reserved by your Honor for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon, His Excellency will be advised to assent to following, viz.,—

"The Superintendent's Land Sale Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Dunedin Recreation Reserve Change Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Naseby Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;

"The Palmerston Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Fairfax School Lands Sale Ordinance, 1875; "The Lawrence Reserve Sale Ordinance, 1875;

"The Invercargill Athenæum Reserve Management Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Tokomairiro School Residence and Glebe Land Sale Validation Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Invercargill Education Reserve Exchange Ordinance, 1875;" "The Invercargill Recreation Reserve Change Ordinance, 1875;" and

"The Lawrence Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875.

With respect to "The Clutha River Conservators Board Ordinance, 1875," I am advised that it is doubtful whether the powers of a Harbour Board can be given in the manner provided; and in any case the Ordinance ought to have been made subject to the Act of the General Assembly, intituled "The Harbour Works Act, 1874" (See section 4 of that Act, which provides that any Ordinance authorizing harbour works shall contain a declaration that it is subject to that Act). As there is no such provision in this Ordinance, and as sections 5 and 6 provide for the construction of works of the nature indicated by the Act, I am advised that it is invalid. It is therefore my duty to advise His Excellency to withhold his assent from this Ordinance. I have, &c.,

His Honor the Superintendent, Otago.

DANIEL POLLEN.

No. 42.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to His Honor the Superintendent, Otago.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 20th August, 1875. Str,-With reference to my letter of the 18th inst., I have the honor to enclose for your information a copy of the New Zealand Gazette of yesterday's date, notifying His Excellency's assent to the following Ordinances, viz.,—
"The Superintendent's Land Sale Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Dunedin Recreation Reserve Charge Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Naseby Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875

"The Palmerston Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Fairfax School Lands Sale Ordinance, 1875;

"The Lawrence Reserve Sale Ordinance, 1875;

"The Invercargill Athenæum Reserve Management Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Tokomairiro School Residence and Glebe Land Sale Validation Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Invercargill Education Reserve Exchange Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Invercargill Recreation Reserve Change Ordinance, 1875;" and

"The Lawrence Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;" duplicates of all of which I forward herewith, with such assent duly noted upon them.

The Gazette also notifies that His Excellency has withheld his assent from "The Clutha River Conservators Board Ordinance, 1875;" and that he has not exercised his power of disallowing

"The Arrowtown Athenæum Ordinance, 1875;"

"The Otago Roads Ordinance 1871 Amendment Ordinance, 1875;" or

"The Peninsula District Thistle Prevention Ordinance, 1875.

I have, &c.,

His Honor the Superintendent, Otago.

DANIEL POLLEN.

No. 43.

His Honor the Superintendent Otago, to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Province of Otago, N.Z., Superintendent's Office, Dunedin,

July, 1875.

Referring to my letters of the numbers and dates quoted in the margin, I now do myself the STR, honor to enclose further Bills passed at the last session of the Provincial Council, which I have reserved for the signification of His Excellency the Governor's pleasure thereon, viz., "Riverton Athenaum Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;"

"Oamaru Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;" "Invercargill Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875"

"Education Reserves Management and Leasing Ordinance, 1875;"

"Roads Diversion Ordinance, 1875;

"Cromwell Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;" "Queenstown Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;"

"Gaol Street Diversion Ordinance, 1875;

"Port Molyneux Reserves Management Ordinance, 1875;" and

"Roxburgh Reserve Management Ordinance, 1875."

I have, &c.,

J. MACANDREW, Superintendent of Otago.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

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