#### No. 14.

His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Auckland, 7th April, 1875. (Telegram.) RE explanation of remittance of £8,000 odd, requested by my telegram of 5th instant, the account for February does not show the information which I require. I wish to know the particulars of the item £6,739 4s. 7d. credited to the province as capitation and special allowance, and whether any portion of that item relates to the £25,000 special allowance under the Act of last session.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

#### No. 15.

His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

(Telegram.) Auckland, 7th April, 1875. It is true, as your telegram states, that three instalments of £6,000 each on account of the £40,000 advance have been paid to the province in the months of January and March; by a mistake in the telegram of advice sent from the Colonial Treasury, the last remittance was stated at £5,000 instead of £6,000. We are, however, entitled not to three, but four instalments: that of 30th December or 31st March, as the case may be, has not yet been paid. There is therefore a further sum of £6,000 now due on this account.

G. GREY.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

### No. 16.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland.

Wellington, 8th April, 1875. (Telegram.) Officers of the Treasury insist that three instalments only of the £40,000 advance can now be due: these have been paid. A statement of the items of the sum of "six thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine pounds four and sevenpence" will be sent to your Honor by mail to-morrow.

DANIEL POLLEN.

His Honor the Superintendent, Auckland.

## No. 17.

The Hon, the Colonial Secretary to His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 8th April, 1875. Sir,-Referring to my telegram No. 131, of this day's date, I have the honor to enclose herewith a memorandum by the Secretary to the Treasury, showing the sums credited monthly to the Province of Auckland under "The Payments to Provinces Act, 1872," and "The Provincial Public Works Advances Act, 1874," which will furnish your Honor with the information you require as to the items of which the sum of £6,739 4s. 7d. is made up.

His Honor the Superintendent, Auckland.

I have, &c., DANIEL POLLEN.

MEMORANDUM of the Sums credited monthly to the Province of Auckland in account under "The Payments to Provinces Act, 1872," &c.

Under "The Payments to Provinces Act, 1872," capitation allowance, 69,161 at 15s. per cap. ...

£4,322 11 Special allowance, 12th of £4,000 ... 333

£4,655 17 11

1874," Under "The Provincial Public Works Advances Act, Section 8, special allowance 12th of £25,000 8

> ... £6,739 7 Total ...

> > C. T. BATKIN,

Treasury, 8th April, 1875.

Secretary to Treasury.

# No. 18.

His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary. Auckland, 8th April, 1875.

I THANK you for your prompt reply to my second telegram, and am obliged by your offer of providing for the immediate wants of this Treasury. I only asked for what this province is I believe entitled to as a right. See your correspondence with my predecessor at Wellington in April of last year, and refer to practice pursued on this subject, from which it seems clear that fourth instalment of £6,000 was payable on 31st March ultimo.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

G. GREY.