No. 19.

The Secretary, Otago Harbour Board, to the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs.

Otago Harbour Board Office, Dunedin, 18th July, 1877. SIR,-I have the honor to transmit the following resolution arrived at last meeting of the Board

held yesterday, together with certified copy of plan referred to:—

Moved by Mr. Walter, and seconded by Mr. Ramsay, "That the Engineer's plan be adopted in lieu of the one proposed by Mr. Walter and carried on the 26th June, and subject to the Government consent, and to Mr. Proudfoot's being willing to bind himself, as already agreed to, respecting the last alteration for £1,000 in full of all demands on the Board." Carried unanimously, all the members being present but Mr. Rattray.

Mr. Proudfoot being in attendance, and the resolution and plan having been laid before him, he signified his willingness to sign any agreement prepared by the Solicitor of the Board, in accordance with terms of the resolution and letter previously sent him with Mr. Walter's plan.

It was further moved by Mr. Tewsley, seconded by Mr. John Mills, "That the Secretary com-

municate the result of the decision to the Commissioner of Customs, with a view to obtain an immediate reply." Carried unanimously. I have, &c.,

JOHN L. GILLIES, Secretary.

The Hon. the Commissioner of Customs.

No. 20.

Customs Department (Marine Branch), Wellington, 20th July, 1877.

His Excellency the Governor is recommended to approve of the accompanying plan for dock in Otago Upper Harbour, in lieu of the docks shown on plan recorded in the Public Works Department, marked P.W.D., 5374, which was approved and adopted at a meeting of the Otago Harbour Board on the 3rd October, 1875, and approved by the Governor in Council on the 29th October, 1875.

GEO. McLEAN.

(Approved)

NORMANBY.

No. 21.

The SECRETARY, Otago Harbour Board, to the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs. Dunedin, 25th July, 1877. (Telegram.)

HAS Governor's assent been given to alterations of plan? Hon, G. McLean, Wellington.

JOHN L. GILLIES.

No. 22.

The Hon, the Commissioner of Customs to the Secretary, Otago Harbour Board. Wellington, 25th July, 1877. (Telegram.)

YES.

The Secretary, Otago Harbour Board, Dunedin.

GEO. McLEAN.

No. 23.

The Secretary, Otago Harbour Board, to the Secretary of Customs, Wellington.

Otago Harbour Board Office, Dunedin, 4th August, 1877. SIR.-I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favour No. 431-16, 26th July, 1877, informing the Board that His Excellency the Governor in Council has approved of the new plan for dock in Upper Harbour enclosed in mine of the 16th July. I have, &c., JOHN L. GILLIES,

The Secretary of Customs, Wellington.

Secretary.

No. 24.

The DISTRICT ENGINEER, Dunedin, to the Engineer-in-Chief, Wellington.

Dunedin, 6th August, 1877. THE Otago Harbour Board are now advertising the lease of the block of land between Rattray and Jetty Streets to be disposed of by auction on the 7th September. As published, the plans embrace ground now occupied by the railway works, and which will be required so long as the station remains where it is; the lines to the new platform and the jetty, the siding to the engine-shed, and all the coal sidings south of Rattray Street, are included in the area proposed to be leased. I send plans by Wednesday's mail. In meantime Board should be requested to withdraw advertisement.

The Engineer-in-Chief, Wellington.

W. N. BLAIR.