

In consequence of the very extraordinary number of applications which have already come in, I have already a sufficient number of suitable persons approved for passages to meet at least two-thirds of the total number thus required, and I must therefore take steps to stop the flow of applications so far as I possibly can.

I had already, prior to the receipt of the telegram of yesterday's date, given directions to withdraw all the advertisements (except those in a few of the metropolitan papers for domestic servants), and I must now issue an advertisement giving notice that, in consequence of the enormous number of applications for free passages to New Zealand, for the present, further applications are not invited.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL,  
Agent-General.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

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The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.  
(*Via* San Francisco, No. 653.)

SIR,— 7, Westminster Chambers, London, S.W., 8th August, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd June, No. 132, in reply to my communications of 1st and 7th April relating to emigration matters.

I have to thank you for the permission given to me to engage the services of a shorthand reporter, and I will advise you of the terms of the engagement as soon as I obtain the services of a suitable writer.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL,  
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