

## No. 11.

The COLONIAL TREASURER to Mr. OMMANNEY.

SIR,—

Treasury, N.Z., Wellington, 31st January, 1880.

I have the honor to inform you that owing to Mr. Larnach's absence from England it has been found necessary to cancel the commission of the gentlemen who have been acting as Agents for the purposes of "The New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1877," and to execute a new commission. The Government have had the matter under their consideration, and have decided that it is undesirable that more than one of the Crown Agents should be burdened with the heavy responsibilities attaching to the inscription and consolidation of New Zealand stock; and as Mr. W. C. Sargeant has served the colony longest, he has been requested to continue to act in the capacity of Agent.

I therefore wish, on behalf of the Government, to thank you for the services you have rendered the colony, and to assure you that it is only for the reason above given that you have not been requested to permit your name to be placed in the new commission.

M. F. Ommanney, Esq., London.

I have, &amp;c.,

H. A. ATKINSON.

## No. 12.

The COLONIAL TREASURER to Mr. LARNACH.

SIR,—

Treasury, Wellington, April 3rd, 1880.

I have the honor to inform you that the Government has decided that active measures shall be immediately taken to induce the holders of bonds of this colony to convert their securities into inscribed stock, under the New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act of 1877.

In discussing this question, the subject of the appointment of Agents has necessarily come under the consideration of the Government. The Agents originally appointed were, as you are aware, Sir P. G. Julyan, W. C. Sargeant, Esq., M. F. Ommanney, Esq., and yourself, with whom Sir Julius Vogel was afterwards associated.

Sir P. G. Julyan's retirement from the office of Crown Agent for the Colonies, together with your own departure from England, having rendered it desirable that a new warrant of appointment should be issued, His Excellency the Governor has been advised to cancel the previous warrants, and to issue a new one appointing Sir P. G. Julyan, Sir Julius Vogel, and W. C. Sargeant, Esq.

As it seemed to be unnecessary to burden the Crown Agents by the appointment of more than one of their number, Mr. Ommanney has not been re-appointed. With regard to yourself, it appeared to the Government to be essential at this juncture, when about to press upon the Agents the importance of giving immediate effect to the Act, that all of them should be resident at the seat of operations.

In advising you of these changes, I take the opportunity with much pleasure of conveying to you the thanks of the Government for the valuable services rendered by you to the colony during your residence in England.

W. J. M. Larnach, Esq., C.M.G., Dunedin.

I have, &amp;c.,

H. A. ATKINSON.

## No. 13.

The PREMIER to the AGENT-GENERAL.

Vogel, London.

(From Wellington, 13th February.)

INSCRIBED Stock. Fresh warrant under New Zealand Act signed by Governor in Council, appointing Julyan, Vogel, and Sargeant Agents, posted February first. Also instrument under Imperial Act, authorizing one or more of Agents to take declaration.

HALL.

## No. 14.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the PREMIER.

Premier, New Zealand.

(Received, November 7.)

\* \* \* Cannot name time resign. Shareholders would think unfair entertain such intention now. Am willing take Loan Agency, payment by percentage, and act Agent-General, without salary, long as suits Government.

VOGEL.

## No. 15.

The PREMIER to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(From Wellington, November 10.)

Vogel, London.

AGENCY-GENERAL incompatible other business. Government considering expediency relieving therefrom, appointing you Agent under Inscribed Stock Act, at centage. Report fully, by post, arrangements you would propose, sketch scheme, estimate annual conversion. We should associate two Agents with you.

HALL.

## No. 16.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the PREMIER.

SIR,—

7, Westminster Chambers, London, S.W., 18th November, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram, copy attached hereto.

I understand by this telegram that you wish to relieve me of the office of Agent-General, because of my being a director of the New Zealand Agricultural Company (Limited), but that you are willing