

FURTHER PAPERS RELATIVE TO

No. 1, to which I have assented on behalf of His Excellency the Governor. There are also other enclosures relative to the same subject, which I have the honor to forward.

I have, &c.,

W. S. MOOREHOUSE,
Superintendent.

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

No. 22.

(No. 564.)

MR. FOX TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, CANTERBURY.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 7th September, 1861.

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Honor's letter No. 223 of the 2nd ultimo, transmitting copies of an Ordinance intituled "The Pleuro-Pneumonia Prevention Ordinance, 1861," Session 16, No. 1, to which you had assented.

As the Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury had been dissolved by the Governor before the passing of this Ordinance, it has been necessary to disallow it, and His Excellency has accordingly issued a Proclamation to that effect in the *New Zealand Gazette* of this day's date.

My letter (No. 548) of yesterday's date will place your Honor in full possession of the measures which have been taken by the General Assembly and the General Government, with respect to the importation of diseased cattle.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Canterbury.

No. 23.

(No. 548.)

MR. FOX TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, CANTERBURY.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 7th September, 1861.

SIR,—

I have the honor to transmit the accompanying Warrant under the hand of the Governor in Council, delegating to your Honor certain powers under "The Diseased Cattle Act, 1861," a copy of which I enclose, subject to regulations contained in the Order in Council published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of this date, also enclosed.

In deference to the stormy feeling on this question, manifested particularly in the southern portion of this Colony, the Government has thought it right to obtain from the Legislature, powers as large as could be reasonably conceded for preventing the spread of the pleuro-pneumonia and other infectious diseases amongst cattle.

The view taken by the Legislature in which the Government concur, is, that in a matter of this nature peculiarly affecting the trade and commerce of the Colony, it is expedient, as far as possible, to observe uniformity of system throughout New Zealand, and with that object the Act vests all the powers created by it in the Governor, but with a power to delegate them to the Superintendents of Provinces.

The Government are aware that difference of circumstances in different Provinces may require the application of different rules, and with this view, His Excellency the Governor confides the execution of the law to the judgment of each Superintendent, to be exercised according to his own view of the emergency of the case; but the Government are anxious, as far as possible, to assimilate the regulations in each part of the Colony, and for that purpose I have to request that your Honor will be good enough, in accordance with the Order in Council, to transmit at the earliest possible period, copies of any regulations issued by you.

I have also to draw your attention to the necessity of your apprising the Governments of the neighbouring Colonies, of all regulations, and of causing the same to be published without delay in England. Copies of the Act have been forwarded to the Governments of the Australian Colonies, and they have been informed of the delegation of powers to Superintendents of Provinces.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Canterbury.

No. 24.

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THE SUPERINTENDENT, CANTERBURY, TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Canterbury, 21st February, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor to transmit to His Excellency's Government the following Ordinances, to which I have assented on His Excellency's behalf:—