

PAPERS RELATING TO THE

defective state of the Signal-mast Rigging at that Station, and the dangerous condition of the sole Boat to which he is reduced.

I have no doubt that your Honor will give your immediate attention to the requirements of the Pilot Station at Manukau, and not allow a continuance of the serious risks to human life and property which a neglect of those requirements will entail.

I have, &c.,

ALFRED DOMETT.

His Honor the Superintendent, Auckland.

No. 4.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, AUCKLAND, TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, AUCKLAND.

Superintendent's Office,
Auckland, 12th December, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 485, of date 11th instant, covering copy of a letter addressed to His Excellency the Governor by the Pilot of Manukau, Mr. Wing, and to inform you that immediate enquiry will be made respecting the condition of the Manukau Pilot Station.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT GRAHAM,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary, Auckland.

No. 5.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, AUCKLAND, TO THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, AUCKLAND.

Superintendent's Office,
Auckland, 12th February, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward for your information a copy of all the correspondence that has taken place relative to the Manukau Harbor since I took office, December 11th, 1862, by which you will perceive that, immediately upon receipt of your letter of that date, the necessary arrangements were made for obtaining the Buoys from Sydney, and the Harbour Master had been empowered to make every preparation so as to prevent any delay in placing them immediately they arrive, having been authorized by me on the 5th instant to employ four extra men to enable him to survey the Harbour. The necessary authority was also given, at same time, to have the signals put in thorough repair.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT GRAHAM,
Superintendent.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary, Auckland.

Enclosure 1 to No. 5.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, AUCKLAND, TO MR. ROBERT GILFILLAN.

Superintendent's Office,
Auckland, 31st December, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor to enclose herewith plans and specifications for Buoys and Moorings, to be placed in the South Channel of the Manukau Harbour, and request that you will obtain them on what you consider the best terms, and as quickly as possible. It is most desirable to land them in the Manukau, to the order of the Harbour-Master; and I think it is possible you will be able to make easy terms with the agent of the I. C. R. M. Steam Company, Captain Hall, as it will greatly benefit that Company. If, however, you find it inconvenient to land them in the Manukau, you must make the best arrangement for landing them in Auckland.

The Government is limited to an expenditure of Six hundred pounds to complete this work, and it will require One hundred and fifty to place them after arrival: therefore, there will only be