It being suggested that the Loan could be more advantageously negotiated by having the interest on Debentures made payable in London instead of the Provincial Treasury, Napier, the enclosed Act with Form of Debenture and Coupon attached, is intended to make the necessary provision for that

purpose.

Having been already favored with an intimation of your willingness to forward my views in reference to the steps to be taken to facilitate the negotiation of the Loan in the London market, and the Provincial Council having sanctioned the necessary alterations in the Bill and Form of Debenture. It only now remains for me to submit the Amendment of Loan Act, in the hope that you will have the goodness to obtain his Excellency the Governor's assent to the same.

I enclose a copy of the "Loan Act," Sess. 6, No. 1, in case you may require it for reference.

I have, &c.,

Donald McLEAN. Suffrintendent.

The Hon. Frederick Whitaker, Auckland.

No. 2.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Auckland, February 6th, 1864.

SIR,-I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Honor's letter of the 25th ultimo, transmitting Amendment of Loan Act, Sess. 7, No. 1, which had been passed by the Provincial Council of Hawkes Bay, and reserved by your Honor for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon.

The Governor will be advised to assent to this Bill, but as His Excellency is at present absent from Auckland I am unable to return the Bill by this Mail with the Governor's assent noted thereon.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

His Honor the Superintendent, Napier.

No. 3.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, NAPIER.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Auckland, 13th February, 1864.

SIR, I have the honor to inform you that the Bill torwarded in your Honor's letter of the 25th ultimo, intituled the "Amendment of Loan Act," and reserved by you for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon, has been laid before His Excellency, who has been pleased to assent to

I herewith return to you a copy of the Bill in question, with the Governor's assent duly noted thereon.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

His Honor the Superintendent, Napier.

No. 4.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, NAPIER, TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I have, &c.,

Superintendent's Office, Napier, February 16th, 1864. SIR. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, returning a copy of the "Amendment of Loan Act," assented to by His Excellency the Governor.

> DONALD McLEAN, Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Auckland.