

PAPERS RELATING TO

No. 90.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, SOUTHLAND.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 17th Oct., 1864.

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Honor's letter, No. 114, of the 22nd ultimo, enquiring, with reference to the £140,000 Southland Loan, whether, in the event of the Debentures being sold before the end of the year, the General Government will authorise Mr. Morrison to draw on the Colonial Treasurer for the purpose of meeting the interest due on the 1st of January next.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer, to whom I referred your letter, informs me that he thinks, after consulting with Mr. Morrison in London on the subject of the negotiation of this Loan, that there is little probability of the Loan being negotiated before the end of the year.

If, however, it should be negotiated, I apprehend that Mr. Morrison can have no difficulty in paying the first half-year's interest from the proceeds of the sale of the Loan. Should this not be possible, I regret to say that the General Government is not in a position to authorise him to draw upon the Colonial Treasury for that purpose.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Southland.

No. 91.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT, SOUTHLAND.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 27th October, 1864.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 189, of the 12th instant, and, in reply, to inform your Honor that as Ministers have resigned their offices, and are simply waiting for the appointment of their successors, they will not have to advise the Governor in reference to the Legislation of next Session.

If your Honor, therefore, submits to the Provincial Council such a Loan Bill as you propose, it will be done entirely on your own responsibility.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FOX.

His Honor the Superintendent,
Southland.

No. 92.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, SOUTHLAND, TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Southland, 1st November, 1864.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ult., expressing your regret that the General Government was not in a position to authorise Mr. Morrison to draw upon it for the interest, due on the 1st January next, on the Loan for £140,000.

I have, &c.,

J. A. R. MENZIES,
Superintendent.The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland.

No. 93.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, SOUTHLAND, TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Superintendent's Office,
Southland, 1st November, 1864.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, referring to previous correspondence on the subject of the liabilities of this Province and the mode of dealing with