

large loan they purpose to raise. I can assure your Grace that I think this is a case in which Great Britain might most advantageously give this Colony the aid for which it thus asks. For I believe the inhabitants of New Zealand have in the present crisis exerted themselves to the utmost to defend themselves, and to save the Imperial Government as much as possible from expense. In this instance, therefore, to aid this Colony to the extent it now asks would I think be at once both just and politic. It is, therefore, a course which I earnestly recommend for your Grace's consideration.

I have, &c.,

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

G. GREY.

No. 3.

MY LORD DUKE,—

Government House, Auckland, January 11th, 1864.

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a Memorandum and its enclosures, which I have received from my Responsible Advisers, regarding the influx of criminals from the Australian Colonies into New Zealand.

2. They earnestly request the interference of the Imperial Government with this subject, by obtaining an Act of Parliament either to meet the evil, or empowering the General Assembly of New Zealand to pass an enactment for this purpose; as it appears from the report of the Judges of the Supreme Court in this Colony that without additional powers the General Assembly is not able to legislate effectually on this subject.

I have, &c.,

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

G. GREY.

No. 4.

MY LORD DUKE,—

Government House, Auckland, 3rd February, 1864.

I have the honour to enclose for your Grace's information copies of two reports from the Civil Commissioner of the Napier district.

2. The first of these contains a most interesting report of a tea-meeting of natives which recently took place in the Wairoa district, on the East Coast; and the second of the enclosed Reports contains some very valuable information regarding the present state of feeling in the Ngatikahunganui tribe, the whole of which, Major Whitmore believes, it is now quite possible to keep on the best terms with the European race.

I have, &c.,

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

G. GREY.

No. 5.

MY LORD DUKE,—

Government House, Auckland, 3rd February, 1864.

I have the honour to enclose for your Grace's information the copy of a Report from the Civil Commissioner of the Bay of Islands District, regarding the state of feeling amongst the natives in that part of this Island, which I regard as being upon the whole satisfactory, although I do not think we are yet quite free from danger in that quarter.

I have, &c.,

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

G. GREY.

No. 6.

MY LORD DUKE,—

Government House, Auckland, 5th February, 1864.

I have the honour to enclose, for the purpose of being laid before the Queen, an humble Memorial from Her Majesty's loyal subjects the Citizens of Auckland, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to interpose Her Royal authority to prevent the removal of the Seat of Government from Auckland. Upon this petition my Responsible Advisers have not given me any advice.

I have, &c.,

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

G. GREY.

No. 7.

MY LORD DUKE,—

Government House, Auckland, 12th February, 1864.

I have the honour to enclose for your Grace's information a Return, accompanied by a sketch, showing the total number of adult males inhabiting the shores of the Harbour of Tauranga, and the numbers of those who have joined the Waikato insurgents.

2. This Return will give your Grace a good idea of the manner in which the turbulent spirits amongst the natives inhabiting different districts separate themselves from the quiet portion of the population, and join the insurgents.

3. The total adult male population of Tauranga consists of 542 souls; of these, 260, or about one-half, have joined the enemy. But as the west side of Tauranga Harbour is inhabited by people under the influence of William Thompson, the case of Tauranga, as far as that side of the Harbour is concerned, must be regarded as being exceptional. Its total male population consists of 330 souls; and of these, 230, or about two-thirds, have joined the insurgents; whilst on the east side of the Harbour, which may be regarded as being upon the whole a well-disposed district, the total male population consists of 212 souls, of whom only 30, or about one-seventh part of the male population, have taken up arms against us.

I have, &c.,

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

G. GREY.