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prisoners, while he omitted to send those of the Government, which will only reach Her Majesty's Government a month after the other, and when probably the Secretary of State will have decided ex

parte, in ignorance that Captain Jenkins' statement was impugned.

The Colonial Secretary avails himself, however, of His Excellency's offer to send his Memorandum under notice, although he most respectfully protests against the course pursued by His Excellency, in not sending it when he sent Capt. Jenkins' letter.

The Colonial Secretary also requests that a copy of this Memorandum may be added to those to be sent to the Secretary of State.

October 30, 1864.

W. Fox.

No. 20.

MEMORANDUM requesting information as to transmission of certain Memoranda to Secretary OF STATE.

The Colonial Secretary will feel very much obliged to his His Excellency if he will inform him whether he has forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, by the mail which left this morning, the Memoranda of the Colonial Secretary of the 22nd and 30th September, relative to the native prisoners, which were sent to His Excellency on these days respectively.

Sth October, 1864.

WILLIAM FOX.

No. 21.

MEMORANDUM of Colonial Secretary.

The Colonial Secretary will feel extremely obliged to His Excellency if he will favour him with a reply to his Memorandum of this morning's date.

Sth October, 1864.

WILLIAM FOX.

No. 22.

MEMORANDUM respecting the transmission of certain Memoranda to Secretary of State.

The Governor has much pleasure in informing the Colonial Secretary that he sent home by this mail his Memoranda on the subject of the native prisoners, dated the 22nd September. He regrets to say that he has not yet had time to send the whole of the Memorandum of the 30th of September. He hopes that a recollection of the voluminous nature of its contents, the fact of up to yesterday afternoon fresh additions being made to the enclosures of this Memorandum, and a consideration of the urgent affairs which have recently engaged his attention will be deemed by the Colonial Secretary a sufficient excuse for the Governor not yet having given his Memorandum of the 30th of September that attention which he would have desired to have done, but it shall be sent home by next mail.

Auckland, October 8, 1864.

G. GREY.

No. 23.

MEMORANDUM requesting perusal of Despatch to Secretary of State.

The Colonial Secretary begs to acknowledge His Excellency's Memorandum informing him that His Excellency has not forwarded to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies the Colonial Secretary's Memorandum and enclosures on the subject of the detention and escape of the Maori Prisoners. The Colonial Secretary very much regrets to learn this fact.

The Colonial Secretary will feel extremely obliged to His Excellency if he will favour him by the perusal of any despatch he may have written to the Secretary of State, on the subject of the detention or escape of the prisoners, by this mail.

Auckland, 8th October, 1864.

WILLIAM FOX.

No. 24.

MEMORANDUM of His Excellency respecting the non-transmission of Memorandum of 30th September to Secretary of State.

The Governor, in reply to the Colonial Secretary's second Memorandum on the subject of the non-transmission by this mail of his Memorandum of the 30th September, can only add that, the fact of the Memorandum, together with its enclosures, consisting of 680 pages, may, at this time of pressure of public affairs, form, he hopes, a valid excuse for him; and that the Colonial Secretary will feel that it really is so.

The Governor trusts that his Responsible Advisers will, as heretofore, send for his Despatch Book whenever they wish to see it. He fears that the despatches are not yet all entered, but he will order that the moment they are, the Colonial Secretary shall see them.

Government House, October 8th, 1864.

G. GREY.

No. 25.

MEMORANDUM of COLONIAL SECRETARY respecting the non-transmission of his Memorandum on the subject of the Native Prisoners.

The Colonial Secretary begs to acknowledge His Excellency's second Memorandum of the 8th instant, excusing the non-transmission of the Colonial Secretary's Memorandum on the subject of rebel prisoners.