

Separate, June 13.

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Colonel Weare to

Sir George Grey,

August 4, 1866.

Maj. Gray in reply,

August 7, 1866.

margin, regarding certain letters from Colonel Weare, C.B., which had been laid by his brother before Her Majesty's Government, I have now the honor to enclose a copy of a letter I have received from Colonel Weare, expressing his regret at having, in a moment of great excitement, given expression, in a family letter, to thoughts which had come hurriedly into his mind, and which he would not, on more calm deliberation, have felt himself justified in making or entertaining. Colonel Weare, in the same letter, apologizes as fully as he can for the injustice he has done in writing such letters to his brother.

2. As the whole question is under the consideration of the Military Authorities, I have thought I shall now best promote the good of the service by preventing the publication of any part of the correspondence relating to this matter, and by moving no further in it until your instructions, after you have received the present Despatch, have been made known. I have therefore determined to pursue this course, in which my Responsible Advisers have concurred.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. Edward Cardwell, M.P.

G. GREY.

Enclosure 1 in No. 9.

Colonel WEARE to Governor Sir GEORGE GREY, K.C.B.

SIR,—

Wellington, 4th August, 1866.

The Major-General commanding having kindly granted me permission to address your Excellency direct, I venture to entertain the hope that you may be pleased to allow me that indulgence.

It is with a view of affording myself an opportunity of expressing my deep regret that, at a moment of great excitement, I should have in a family letter connected your Excellency's name, that of your Government, and Dr. Featherston, with the utterance of thoughts that came hurriedly to my mind, and which I should not, on more calm deliberation, have felt myself justified in making or entertaining.

Having already submitted my letters of the 8th and 13th ultimo, explaining the circumstances under which my family letter had been written, and expressing my deep regret, as also my letter of the 30th ultimo, tendering my apologies, I would desire to submit to your Excellency that if they appear meagre or unsatisfactory it is not from any want of sincerity in either my regrets or apologies for the injustice I have done you and your Government in the expression of those thoughts, but from the peculiar position in which I have found myself placed by the use made of my private letter, and I trust your Excellency will be pleased to accept this renewed expression of my apologies, and allow the extract to be withdrawn.

I have, &c..

H. E. WEARE,

Colonel, 50th Regiment.

His Excellency Sir G. Grey, K.C.B.

Enclosure 2 in No. 9.

Major GRAY, A.D.C., to Colonel WEARE.

SIR,—

Private Secretary's Office, Wellington, 7th August, 1866.

The Governor directs me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant. His Excellency wishes that you had written that letter at an earlier date, as your doing so would have saved a very large amount of embarrassment both to the Imperial and Colonial Governments.

His Excellency desires me further to state that the accusations you made against himself and the Colonial Government, which were received by the Home Government, and to which he was expected to furnish a complete reply, caused him deep and serious concern, but that he will transmit a copy of your letter of the 4th instant to the Home Government, and that as he thinks it now out of your power to make any further reparation for the injuries you have caused to others than you have done in your letter of the 4th instant, he will, in as far as he or the Colonial Government is concerned, request that no further steps may be taken in relation to yourself in consequence of what you have done,—trusting that an officer, who has rendered such services as he has always understood you have done, will carefully abstain for the future from inflicting such injury upon the reputation and feelings of other public servants as you have done in this instance.

I have, &c.,

W. R. GRAY,

Major, A.D.C.

Colonel Weare, C.B., 50th Regiment.

No. 10.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of CARNARVON to Governor Sir GEORGE GREY, K.C.B.

(No. 41.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 1st November, 1866.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your several Despatches