

20th October ultimo, respecting certain proposals of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company for their Mail Packets to call at Glenelg, in South Australia.

2. In consequence (as I am informed) of the recent absence on an official mission to Sydney and Melbourne of the Postmaster-General of New Zealand (the Hon. Julius Vogel, C.M.G.), some delay has occurred in forwarding to me, for transmission to your Lordship, the enclosed Ministerial Memorandum, which reached me only yesterday.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley.

I am, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

Enclosure in No. 69.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. VOGEL, C.M.G.

WITH reference to the Despatch from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of the 20th October last, No. 73, in which it is requested that the Government of South Australia may be informed whether this Government has any objection to offer to certain proposals of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company for their Mail Packets to call and deliver mails at Glenelg, the Postmaster-General has the honor to inform His Excellency that, as the proposed deviation of the route of the Mail Packets would much more affect the interests of the Australian Colonies than those of New Zealand, the Government of New Zealand prefer that the question should be left to the Governments of those Colonies to decide.

Wellington, 23rd May, 1872.

JULIUS VOGEL,
Postmaster-General.

No. 70.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G., to the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY.

(No. 52.)

Hamilton, Waikato,

MY LORD,—

New Zealand, 13th June, 1872.

I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a letter from the Superintendent of Wellington (Mr. Fitzherbert, C.M.G.), and an Address of Congratulation to the Queen from the Council of that Province, on the recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley.

I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

No. 71.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G., to the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY.

(No. 54.)

Government House, Auckland,

MY LORD,—

New Zealand, 25th June, 1872.

I have the honor to report that I lost no time in directing the attention of the Colonial Government to your Lordship's Circular Despatch of the 1st February ultimo, respecting the supply of British Silver Coins.

2. I now transmit a Ministerial Memorandum from the Treasurer (Mr. Vogel, C.M.G.) on this subject.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley.

I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

Enclosure in No. 71.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. VOGEL, C.M.G.

HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR is respectfully informed that the subject of the annexed Circular Despatch has had careful consideration; but as it is found that coin to the value of twenty-four thousand pounds (£24,000) sterling would be the least that would be of service to the Colony, and as the expense connected with obtaining such an amount would be about one thousand pounds (£1,000) sterling, it has been determined to submit a vote for that sum to Parliament in the ensuing Session. Should this vote be passed, arrangements will immediately be made to import new silver coin to the extent named above (£24,000).

Treasury, Wellington, 8th June, 1872.

JULIUS VOGEL.