

- (10.) Papers relating to Immigration (in several parts).
- (11.) Papers respecting the San Francisco Mail Service.
- (12.) Annual Report on the Constabulary Force.
- (13.) Papers relating to Mr. Vogel's Mission to England.
- (14.) Return of Wool Exported from New Zealand.

8. The above-mentioned documents, together with those forwarded previously, will amply repay perusal, and will supply full information respecting the present condition of New Zealand.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley. I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

No. 6.

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

(No. 82.) Government House, Wellington,
MY LORD,— New Zealand, 2nd September, 1871.

I have the honor to report that I lost no time in directing the attention of the proper authorities to your Lordship's Despatch No. 101, of the 14th November ultimo, requesting, on behalf of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, information respecting the tariff of charges, wages of artificers, and other particulars concerning the new graving dock at Port Chalmers, in New Zealand.

2. Owing to a delay in the completion of this dock, it appears that the Trustees did not adopt a final code of regulations before the 25th August ultimo. It was forwarded to me only this day, and I now transmit it, together with the accompanying letter from the Superintendent of Otago.

Superintendent
of Otago to
Col. Sec., 1st
Sept., 1871, with
1 sub-enclosure.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley. I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

Enclosure in No. 6.

SUPERINTENDENT of OTAGO to the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,— Wellington, 1st September, 1871.
Enclosed I do myself the honor to forward, for transmission to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the Otago Graving Dock Regulations. As regards the wages of shipwrights at the Port of Otago, I may state that, although hitherto they have been in excess of Sydney rates, they are gradually being reduced, and, as the dock comes into constant use, the wages will not exceed those at Sydney and Melbourne.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington. I have, &c.,
J. MACANDREW,
Superintendent.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 6.

OTAGO GRAVING DOCK.

Regulations adopted by the Dock Trustees, 25th August, 1871, subject to the approval of His Honor the Superintendent.

1. All vessels will be liable to a dock rate according to the following scale:—

						Per registered ton per diem.
Vessels of 1000 tons and upwards	...	...	...	...	...	6d.
" 900 tons and under 1000 tons	...	...	...	...	...	6½d.
" 800 "	" 900 "	...	...	...	...	6½d.
" 700 "	" 800 "	...	...	...	...	6¾d.
" 600 "	" 700 "	...	...	...	...	7d.
" 500 "	" 600 "	...	...	...	...	7½d.
" 400 "	" 500 "	...	...	...	...	7½d.
" 300 "	" 400 "	...	...	...	...	7¾d.
Under 300 tons	...	...	...	...	...	8d.

2. Double rates will be charged for the day of docking.

3. The dock dues will include and cover the cost of pumping, shoring, wedges, and blocking, and the cost of all labour connected with opening and closing the dock, and all incidental labour connected with the actual operation of docking a vessel.

4. The Board will not undertake the repairs of a vessel; and all parties availing themselves of the use of the dock will be required to make their own arrangements for this service, and provide all necessary labour and material for the same.