

Enclosure in No. 53.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. GISBORNE.

REFERRING to the Memorandum addressed to His Excellency on the 4th November last, in which it was recommended that steps might be taken to cause New Zealand flax imported into Great Britain to be entered in the commercial statistics of the Board of Trade under the designation of "Phormium," Ministers beg to represent that what was desired was, that this staple might be known as "New Zealand Phormium," instead of "New Zealand Flax;" and as this was not clearly stated in the Memorandum referred to, they would feel obliged if His Excellency would request the Imperial authorities to give the requisite directions to insure that the words "New Zealand" shall be prefixed to "Phormium" in the Trade Returns of the United Kingdom.

Wellington, 27th February, 1872.

W. GISBORNE.

No. 54.

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

(No. 30.)

Government House, Wellington,

MY LORD,— New Zealand, 14th March, 1872.

At the request of my Responsible Advisers, I have the honor to forward herewith, for transmission to the Lords of the Treasury, the enclosed Ministerial Memorandum, with an annexed statement.

Memorandum by
Mr. Gisborne,
with sub-
enclosure.

I have, &c.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley. G. F. BOWEN.

Enclosure in No. 54.

MEMORANDUM by Mr. GISBORNE.

THE annexed statement is respectfully forwarded to His Excellency for transmission to the Right Honorable the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury, in terms of subsection 5, section 3, of "The New Zealand Roads, &c., (Loan Act), 1870."

The statement is not sent with a view to any immediate action, but that the Act may be complied with, in case necessity should arise to apply any portion of the Guaranteed Loan.

This abstract only includes payments actually made in the Colony, for the services specified, to the 31st of January, 1872. It is therefore exclusive of the large liabilities incurred for works now in progress, and also of all expenditure made in England by the Agent-General, accounts of which have not yet been received here.

Treasury, Wellington, 13th March, 1872.

W. GISBORNE.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 54.

STATEMENT of the Total Expenditure from the Immigration and Public Works Loan, to the 31st January, 1872, for the under-mentioned services:—

Roads and Bridges	120,389	14	9
Railways	113,758	14	5
Introduction of Settlers	15,185	15	5
Total	£249,334	4	7

Treasury, Wellington, 6th March, 1872.

C. T. BATHIN,
Paymaster-General.

No. 55.

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

(No. 31.)

Government House, Wellington,

MY LORD,— New Zealand, 18th March, 1872.

It is with much satisfaction that I report, by the mail leaving Wellington to-day, an event to which great importance is rightly attached in this Colony, as to a fresh and significant proof of the establishment of permanent tranquillity.

2. The influential Maori chief and formidable warrior known among the English as William King,* of Waitara, with whom the war of 1860 originated, and who has, during the last twelve years, continued in active hostility or sullen disaffection, has voluntarily come, attended by his principal clansmen and followers,

* This is his baptismal name: his Maori surname is Te Rangitake.