

CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE

Enclosure 3 in No. 12.

The Hon. W. GISBORNE to Mr. J. BROGDEN.

SIR,—

Public Works Office, Wellington, 18th December, 1871.

In reference to the stipulations contained in the agreement this day entered into between your firm and the Government, I beg to state that the Government will give you, not less than one month before the delivery of the data referred to in clause 3 of that agreement, in respect of each railway proposed to be constructed, a notice of the probable time at which the data for such railway will be supplied to you, and will, at any time after such notice, at your request, supply you with any information relative to the proposed work which the Government then have in their possession and may feel justified in supplying; but this letter is to be entirely without prejudice to the right of the Government to require you to accept the data afterwards actually delivered, as those upon which your tender for construction is to be based.

I also beg to state that if the tender for any such railway is posted in a registered letter within the time specified in the contract, and addressed to the Minister for Public Works at Wellington, or shall, within such time as aforesaid, be delivered to any person, in any Province or County, who shall be appointed by the Minister for Public Works for the purpose of receiving tenders from you for railways to be constructed within such Province or County, such posting or delivery shall be deemed a sufficient delivery of such tenders within the meaning of the said contract.

I have also to inform you that the 10 per cent. agreed to be paid you on the order dated 25th November last, will, if you wish it, be paid in London.

James Brogden, Esq., for the Messrs. Brogden.

I have, &c.,

W. GISBORNE.

Enclosure 4 in No. 12.

The UNDER SECRETARY, Public Works, to MESSRS. BROGDEN.

GENTLEMEN,—

Public Works Office, Wellington, 19th December, 1871.

I am directed by the Hon. the Minister for Public Works to forward to you the enclosed list of railways, which, in conformity with clause 2 of the agreement signed by you yesterday, it is desired to have constructed.

I have, &c.,

JOHN KNOWLES,

Under Secretary.

Messrs. Alexander, Henry, and James Brogden, Contractors.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure 4 in No. 12.

LIST OF RAILWAYS.

North Island.

Auckland to Mercer.

Wellington to Hutt Valley. (Twenty miles.)

Waitara to New Plymouth.

Napier to Paki Paki. (Twenty miles.)

Kawa Kawa to place of shipment. (Conditional on satisfactory arrangement being made with owners or lessees of coal mines by the Government.)

Middle Island.

Dunedin to Clutha. (Such portions of the entire line as are not under contract.)

Blenheim to Picton.

Rakaia to Ashburton.

Ashburton to Temuka.

Temuka to Washdyke.

Invercargill to Mataura.

Moeraki to Waitaki.

Brunner to Greymouth. (Conditional on satisfactory arrangement being made with owners or lessees of coal mines by Government.)

Public Works Office, 19th December, 1871.

No. 13.

MEMORANDUM for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

(No. 72, 1871.)

Public Works Office, Wellington, 23rd December, 1871.

THE Government have received your telegram informing them of your having arranged for the emigration of 6,000 German and Scandinavian immigrants for New Zealand during the next two years.

The memoranda which have been addressed to you by previous mails, will have informed you of the desire of the Government that emigration to New Zealand should be prosecuted with the utmost vigour, and they hope shortly to learn that you have been equally successful in making arrangements for the introduction of a large and continuous flow of emigrants from the United Kingdom.

The necessity for this immigration, always imperative as a part of the general policy of the Government, is now still more so in consequence of the arrangement entered into with Messrs. Brogden and Sons for the immediate commencement of several of the railways authorized last Session, and the