

The NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT AGENCY (J. MORRISON, Esq.,) to G. AUSTIN,
13, St. James Street.

1871.

	£	s.	d.
Feb. 20. To supplying inscribing machine for inscribing recipient's name on edge of New Zealand War Medals from own model, and supplying eight sets of steel letters, four sets of steel numbers, steel points and stops, composing frame steel, steel and frame for same, as per estimate, 29th January, 1870	72	0	0
To fashioning and making 1,000 swivels and bars or pendants, rivetting silver wires to same, to make and rivet cramps for attaching, supplying paper boxes for each bar and medal, and packing with tissue paper in boxes, as per estimate for 1,000	33	10	0
To supplying silver for making above bars, 230 ozs. 10 dwt., at 5s. 3d. per oz.	60	7	6
To turning edges of above 1,000 medals, and preparing swivel bars for ready attachment to medal, at 2½d. each	10	8	4
To supplying two tin-lined boxes and mahogany type box, and packing inscribing machine, medals, and bars, as per agreement	3	0	0
To preparing ribbon and packing same as requested.	0	10	0
	£179	15	10

London, 23rd January, 1871.

The GOVERNMENT of NEW ZEALAND to FRANCIS BENNOCK and Co.

	£	s.	d.
Twenty pieces, of 18 yards each, 360 yards, 1¼-inch New Zealand War Medal Ribbon, at 9d. per yard	13	10	0

No. 2.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

SIR,—

8th February, 1872.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 60, of 25th November, 1871, transmitting a Memorandum from the Defence Department, and requesting me to procure and forward the medals referred to therein, intimating also that by this mail the sum of £400 would be placed at my disposal for this service. In reply, I have to state that steps have been taken to procure the medals through the War Department.

In regard to the inscribing machine supplied by Mr. G. Austin, which has proved to be defective, whenever it arrives I will use my best endeavours to recover from him the cost of the same. As I find that Mr. Austin was selected by the Deputy Master of the Mint to construct the machine, it is my intention to transmit to that official a copy of the Memorandum you have forwarded.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Agent-General.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 3.

The Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 15th February, 1873.

Adverting to your letter No. 136, of 8th February, 1872, stating that steps had been taken to procure, through the War Department, the 1,000 New Zealand War Medals ordered in my letter No. 60, of 25th November, 1871, I have the honor to inform you that they have not yet been received in New Zealand, although a voucher, dated 12th April, 1872, amounting to £278 0s. 3d., has been received by the Treasury for the cost of the silver and manufacturing the same.

From the time that has elapsed since the date of the voucher, payable to the Master of the Mint, above referred to, it would almost seem that they have been shipped without advice of the shipment, nothing having been heard of them since the date of my letter No. 60, above quoted. If such is the case, I have to request you to be good enough to forward to me, by first opportunity, the usual information supplied by you relative to the shipment of goods for the Government.

I have, &c.,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

G. M. WATERHOUSE.

No. 4.

The Hon. Mr. McLEAN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(Telegram)

Wellington, 12th April, 1873.

WHERE are second thousand War Medals ordered eighteen months ago. Much discontent delay.
McLEAN.

Featherston, London.