

6. *Occasional Pecuniary Assistance to Immigrants.*

Pecuniary assistance is authorized in exceptional circumstances, *e.g.*, want of means to proceed to place where employment is offered, loss of luggage, insufficient outfit to suit climate. Promissory notes should be taken in these cases for the amount advanced.

7. *Advertising and Printing.*

Advertisements in the local papers, of class of immigrants requiring employment, and of hiring days, are authorized.

His Honor the Superintendent, Marlborough.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL.

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No. 17.

His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Nelson, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Nelson, 30th October, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your circular letters of the 14th and 16th instant, relative to immigration, together with a copy of an Order in Council providing that free passages shall in future be given to nominated emigrants from Europe.

I am extremely glad that the Government have determined upon this course with respect to nominated immigration, as I believe it will be largely taken advantage of in this Province, and I shall willingly give every assistance in my power towards inducing settlers here to bring out their friends under this extremely liberal arrangement.

As regards general immigration, you are aware that, owing to the peculiar disadvantages under which this Province labours, in having scarcely any agricultural land within reach of means of communication with a port, and in not having hitherto been fortunate enough to partake to any large extent in the colonial railway scheme, whereby fresh land could be made available, I have not been able to recommend any considerable addition to our general population; but I see reason to hope that the circumstances of the Province in these respects will shortly undergo a favourable change, and when that time arrives, it will give me great pleasure to co-operate with the Colonial Government in the manner proposed in your circular of the 16th instant.

I have, &c.,
OSWALD CURTIS,
Superintendent.

The Hon the Minister for Immigration.

No. 18.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to His Honor the SUPERINTENDENT, Nelson.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 12th February, 1874.

It is desirable that I should give you a general authority for expenditure in connection with immigration in the Province of Nelson, the management of which your Honor has, by arrangement, undertaken. I shall be prepared to sanction such expenditure as may come under the following heads and conditions. Vouchers for the same, properly substantiated by your Honor, will be duly recognized:—

1. *Local Staff.*

Immigration Officer	...	...	...	...	£150
Depôt Master and Matron	...	...	...	...	£

If circumstances render it necessary to increase the staff, every consideration will be given to your Honor's recommendations.

2. *Buildings and Repairs.*

The Immigrants' depôts are authorized to be kept in good serviceable repair, so as to be fit and suitable for the temporary accommodation of immigrants; also the quarantine station, when erected.

3. *Maintenance of Immigrants while waiting Engagement.*

Under ordinary circumstances, maintenance for immigrants is authorized for one week after arrival, during which time they may be supposed to find work. Unless under exceptional circumstances, single men should certainly not require to be maintained more than a week after arrival, but further time may be allowed to married people with families.

4. *Expenses connected with Landing Immigrants.*

All expenses for landing, wharfage, and carriage of immigrants and baggage to the depôt are authorized; also expenses connected with forwarding immigrants to the country districts.

5. *Medical Attendance.*

Necessary medical attendance for immigrants whilst in the depôt, or under maintenance by the Government, is authorized.

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