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EMIGRATION TO NEW ZEALAND.

To the Editor of the *Times*.

SIR,—I observe your New Zealand correspondent, in his last letter from that Colony, expresses his surprise that something is not being done in England by way of promoting special colonization and the formation of special settlements, for which the North Island of New Zealand is so eminently adapted.

Perhaps you will permit me to announce, through the medium of your columns, that I have for some months past been engaged, on the part of the New Zealand Government, in organizing a party such as he describes. Owing, however, partly to the novelty of the undertaking and partly to the unexpected opposition of those from whom I expected assistance, the scheme has been unavoidably delayed. I am now, however, in a position to state that the scheme is so far matured that the first ship with passengers going out in connection with this scheme will leave England towards the end of October of this year. No one will be allowed to take part in this scheme who is not either a working farmer in possession of sufficient means to go upon and occupy his land, or else a man with sufficient capital to employ labour; to each of these two classes a free grant of forty acres per adult will be given, provided not more than 300 acres is claimed by any one family whose members are living together.

As the public might be misled in consequence of the paragraph in your New Zealand correspondent's letter to which I have referred, you will, perhaps, kindly insert this letter for me, and I shall be very happy to give any further information on this subject to those who may wish it.

I have, &c.,

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No. 4.

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

(Telegram).

Christchurch, 25th November, 1874.

YOUR letter covering Farnall correspondence has just come to me. I thank you for the trouble you have taken and are still willing to take. I do not think the immigrants did sail in October. I am cabling home to ascertain. There will be plenty of time for action after reply.

JULIUS VOGEL.

His Honor T. B. Gillies, Auckland.

No. 5.

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

(Circular.)

SIR,— General Government Offices, Dunedin, 19th December, 1873.

I am sure that your Honor agrees with me as to the importance of a large proportion of the immigrants who arrive in Auckland being enabled, almost immediately after they have landed, to proceed to the country districts, either to commence operations on their own account, or to accept employment.

In order that they may do so, however, there must be provided depôts in which they can be temporarily accommodated; and it would be very advantageous if there were also provided small houses for married men with families. I shall, therefore, be ready to sanction a moderate expenditure for the conveyance of immigrants to country districts; and also the payment of a proportion of the expense of renting suitable buildings (if any are available) for temporary depôts. If it should not be possible to rent such buildings, I shall be glad to consider any recommendation which your Honor, from your knowledge of the different districts, may make with a view of providing dépôt accommodation.

I think it most desirable that at different points where employment is, or will probably be, available, serviceable but cheap four-room cottages or huts should be erected, for the purpose of being let to immigrants, the cost per cottage not to exceed £100.

Where the Provincial Government have land to spare in the vicinity of railway works, small areas might be included, with the cottages, in leases. This, however, I leave to the consideration of the Provincial authorities.

I am willing, as a means of thus aiding to locate immigrants, to place a certain amount of money at your Honor's disposal, for building such cottages or huts, on the following conditions:—

1. That the cottages or huts be let to newly-arrived immigrants with families.
2. That the Provincial Government undertake and guarantee to return to the General Government the amount expended, with interest at 5 per cent., in four instalments, on the 1st January, 1875, 1876, 1877, and 1878.

I leave it to your Honor to arrange for the building of the cottages, and to decide under what conditions, other than those stipulated, they shall be let.

If you approve of this proposal, I shall be glad to receive any suggestions from your Honor on the subject, and also to learn the amount of money you think you would require during the current year.

I have, &c.,

His Honor the Superintendent, Auckland.

JULIUS VOGEL.