

1875.

## NEW ZEALAND.

## IMMIGRATION TO NEW ZEALAND,

(FURTHER LETTERS TO THE AGENT-GENERAL).

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

## No. 1.

The Hon. Sir J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,  
23rd June, 1875.

SIR,—

I have already communicated to you verbally the telegram I received from the Government of New Zealand on the subject of the number of emigrants to be sent out during the present year. It is desirable, however, that I should place on record the instructions received, especially as they to a certain extent replace those I have already given to you.

2. The instructions in the telegram are to send out the following numbers of adult emigrants for the year ending 30th April, 1876:—Auckland, 2,200; Hawke's Bay, 1,000; Wellington, 2,000; Taranaki, 600; Marlborough, Nelson, and Westland, 400 each; Otago, 2,000; Invercargill, 1,000; Canterbury, 3,000. The telegram further says that direct shipments must necessarily be made to Taranaki and Invercargill, and that single women are much wanted in the colony. It also draws special attention to the order already sent for emigrants for the Westland special settlement.

3. These instructions must be implicitly followed; and those concerning the numbers to be shipped will take the place of the directions upon that point which are given in the table of numbers attached to my letter of 30th April.

4. You will, therefore, have to deduct from the numbers authorized by the telegram those shipped by you since the end of April last; and in distributing the balance you should fix the complement for each port in accordance with the terms of the telegram.

5. I understand from you that your engagements will lead to the completion of a large portion of the order by the end of July. Such being the case, you must use your own discretion as to the division of the remainder between the several months.

The last portion of the period over which the instructions extend is that during which you might, with the greatest advantage, reduce the shipments; but, having regard to the total number authorized, you will have to make considerable reductions during the earlier months also.

The Agent-General for New Zealand.

I have, &c.,  
JULIUS VOGEL.

## No. 2.

The Hon. Sir J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

London, 26th June, 1875.

I have the honor to inform you that I have received a telegram from the Government of New Zealand, expressing a wish that free immigration should be continued.

2. I have, therefore, to withdraw the instructions given in my letter of April 30th, for discontinuing free immigration and taking promissory notes.

3. The Government also express a desire that there should be the most careful selection of immigrants.

4. I have to impress upon you that other instructions contained in my letter of April 30th, are not withdrawn. For example, strict attention should be given to the directions under headings II. and III., "Selection of Immigrants," and "Surgical Examination." Indeed, you must not consider that any portion of the letter of April 30th is withdrawn, excepting so much as refers to the discontinuance of free immigration, and to the number of immigrants, about which I have already separately instructed you.

5. I believe it to be still desirable that you should issue a notice to immigrants. Although there is not to be a cessation of free immigration, it will be well to give as much information as possible to those who may contemplate emigrating; and you should especially make widely known the fact that, upon receiving a requisition from a stated number of persons, you will send an officer to give information respecting New Zealand. The nature of the rations supplied, the manner in which the comfort of immigrants is attended to on board ship, and the care taken of them for a while after landing in the colony; all these points, as well as others, referred to in the draft notice appended to my letter of April 30th, should be dwelt upon in your notice; and it should be freely circulated with the least possible