the Government, in the proportion of £1 added to every £2 expended by the Corporation out of its

own funds, thus providing a sum of £30,000 to be expended in further road-making within the block, of which £20,000 will have to be supplied by the Corporation."

6. The Government will recommend that effect be given to these conditions, provided — (1.) That the contribution of £1 to £2 shall apply only to road-works undertaken after the arrangements proposed by you have been completely ratified. (2.) That plans, &c., of any such proposed works, shall be submitted to the Minister for Public Works, and be approved of by him; and (3.) That evidence to his satisfaction shall be supplied of all expenditure with respect to which contribution in aid by the Government is asked for.

I have, &c. H. A. ATKINSON.

A. F. Halcombe, Esq.

No. 3.

Mr. A. F. HALCOMBE to the Hon. the COLONIAL TREASURER.

SIR,-Wellington, 10th September, 1877. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, communicating to me the decision of Ministers with regard to the proposals made by me on behalf of the Emigrant and Colonist's Aid Corporation.

I have no hesitation in accepting, on behalf of the Corporation, the conditions attaching to your

assent to my proposals.

I should be glad that the matter should be submitted as soon as convenient by Ministers, for the confirmation of the Assembly, as the London Board of the Corporation has advised me that the sum required to fulfil its part of the arrangement proposed is now at my command.

I have, &c., A. FOLLETT HALCOMBE,

Attorney, Emigrant and Colonist's Aid Corporation (Limited).

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer, Wellington.

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