

No. 40.

The Hon. J. A. BONAB, M.L.C., to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Government Buildings, Hokitika, 31st May, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 25th May, 1877, informing me that the Government will be prepared to relieve me during next month from the duties of Executive Officer, and asking me to fix a day on which the records can be taken over.

In reply, I have the honor to state that the 21st June next would be a convenient day to fix for giving over charge, as there are several matters now pending relating to mining and other leases which cannot be completed before then.

With reference to the offices at present occupied by me, it was the wish of the late Minister for Public Works that they should be handed over to the District Engineer when they ceased to be required as Executive Offices. He is at present renting an inconvenient building, and I presume, therefore, that this arrangement can be carried out.

I have to thank the Government for the kind manner in which they have been pleased to acknowledge my services as their Executive Officer; and, although I have determined on taking no prominent part in local politics for the future, it will afford me pleasure to give the Government any advice or information on matters of local concern regarding which they may desire to communicate with me.

I have, &c.,

JAS. A. BONAB,
Executive Officer.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 41.

F. A. CARRINGTON, Esq., M.H.R., to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Executive Office, New Plymouth, 6th June, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 51, May 25th, in which you inform me that, in the opinion of the Government, the time has arrived for relieving me from the Executive Office duties of the Provincial District of Taranaki, and that it is proposed, at the earliest convenient time, to advise His Excellency the Governor to withdraw the powers delegated to me. You convey to me the thanks of the Government for the services I have rendered, and you request that I will name a day in this month when it will be convenient to transfer the public records of the office of the late Provincial Government of Taranaki to an officer who will be appointed to receive them.

In reply, I beg leave to say that any day after Wednesday next, the 13th instant, it will be convenient for me to make the transfer named.

I will now only add that, should the Government so desire, I shall have pleasure at all times in rendering to them any local information which it may be in my power to give.

I have, &c.,

FRED. A. CARRINGTON,
Executive Officer.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

P.S.—Mr. J. B. Lawson, late Superintendent's Clerk, has for many years had the keeping of the records of this office. I strongly recommend Mr. Lawson to the Government for the performing of such duty, and for his thoroughly good and trustworthy conduct.

FRED. A. CARRINGTON, E.O.

No. 42.

HENRY BUNNY, Esq., M.H.R., to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Provincial Buildings, Wellington, 14th June, 1877.

As Parliament meets on the 19th of next month, it appears to me desirable that, previous to that date, I should resign the powers delegated to me by His Excellency the Governor, so that the whole administration of the Provincial District of Wellington may be in the hands of the Government of the colony.

If the Government agree with me in this view of the matter, I will resign the said delegated powers, and beg to suggest that such resignation should date as from the 30th instant.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

HENRY BUNNY.

No. 43.

The Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY to HENRY BUNNY, Esq., M.H.R.

SIR,—

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 15th June, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of date 14th instant, in which you notify your intention to resign the delegated powers as from the 30th instant.

The Government is advised that, as intimated in my letter of 25th ultimo, it will be convenient that the delegated powers should be formally resumed by His Excellency the Governor, and it is proposed that with respect to all Executive Officers a notification to that effect shall be made on the 21st instant.

I have to thank you for the expression of your willingness to continue to act until the 30th instant, but there appears no need to impose upon you any additional trouble.

I have, &c.,

Henry Bunny, Esq., M.H.R., Wellington.

DANIEL POLLEN.