year, though Disqualification Act will prevent, in that case, anything like emolument or profit resulting. Be so kind as to telegraph your views. If you can continue, a fresh appointment shall be issued to you immediately after 1st January.

Reader Wood, Esq., M.H.R., Auckland.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Similar telegrams to F. A. Carrington, Esq., M.H.R.; W. Rolleston, Esq., M.H.R.; A. P. Seymour, Esq., M.H.R.; Oswald Curtis, Esq., M.H.R.; the Hon. J. A. Bonar, M.L.C.

No. 14.

A. P. SEYMOUR, Esq., M.H.R., to His Excellency the Governor.

Picton, 26th December, 1876. In accordance with clause 36 of "The Financial Arrangements Act, 1876," I have the honor to resign my employment as Executive Officer for the Provincial District of Marlborough, such resignation to date from 31st December instant.

The Most Noble the Marquis of Normanby.

I have, &c., A. P. SEYMOUR.

No. 15.

The Hon. J. A. Bonar, M.L.C., to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Government Buildings, Hokitika, 29th December, 1876.

Referring to my letter of the 13th instant, pursuant to the provisions of "The Financial Arrangements Act, 1876," I now beg to resign, on and from the 31st instant, all and every such office and offices, place and places, commission and commissions, employment and employments, which I now hold or occupy in the service of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, or by, or at the continuous of the General Government of New Zealand, or "under, or from, the appointment or nomination of the Crown, or the Governor of New Zealand by virtue of his office as Governor, or at or by the nomination or appointment of any officer of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand by virtue of his office, to which any salary, fees, wages, allowance, emolument, or profit I have, &c., Jas. A. Bonar, of any kind is attached."

Executive Officer for the Provincial District of Westland. The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No. 16.

OSWALD CURTIS, Esq., M.H.R., to His EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR.

Nelson, 29th December, 1876.

I have the honor hereby to resign the offices and powers, together with all the profits and advantages thereof, conferred upon me, under authority of "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," by your Excellency's warrants dated 1st November, 1876. This resignation to date from the 31st day of December, 1876.

The Most Honorable the Marquis of Normanby, Governor of New Zealand, Wellington.

I have, &c., OSWALD CURTIS.

No. 17.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to Oswald Curtis, Esq., M.H.R.

Wellington, 30th December, 1876. (Telegram.) THE Governor has accepted your resignation of all offices and powers conferred upon you by His Excellency's warrants dated 1st November last, and of all emoluments connected therewith. Government thankfully accept your offer of continued gratuitous service.

Oswald Curtis, Esq., M.H.R., Nelson.

CHARLES C. BOWEN, (in the absence of the Colonial Secretary).

Similar telegrams to the Hon. J. A. Bonar, M.L.C., and A. P. Seymour, Esq., M.H.R.

No. 18.

THOMAS KELLY, Esq., M.H.R., to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

SIR,-New Plymouth, 30th December, 1876. I have the honor to resign my appointment as an officer to countersign cheques for payment in the Provincial District of Taranaki, and all emoluments attached thereto. If I can be of any further service in aiding the transition from Provincial to County Government, I beg to state that I will be willing to continue to act in the same or any other capacity without the usual emoluments.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

I have, &c., THOMAS KELLY,