

Enclosure 2 in No. 7.

The UNDER SECRETARY for IMMIGRATION to the CONSUL for the GERMAN EMPIRE, Wellington.
SIR,— Immigration Office, 28th July, 1876.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th instant, in which you inform me that the ship "Fritz Reuter" sailed from Hamburg for Wellington upon April 16th ultimo, with 421 adults on board.

The Government has been advised by the late Agent-General that the passengers by this ship are not emigrants selected with his approval, but have been sent out against his distinct orders. I cannot, therefore, admit of any responsibility on the part of the Government in respect to these people, but presume that you, as Consul for the German Empire, which I am informed have compelled Messrs. Sloman and Co. to send them out, will take such steps as you may think necessary to protect their interest. With regard to the other matters referred to in your letter, I must decline to enter upon their consideration, as they are questions which must be determined in Europe between the Agent-General and Messrs. Sloman and Kirchner.

F. A. Krull, Esq., Consul for the German Empire,
Wellington.

I have, &c.,
C. E. HAUGHTON.

Enclosure 3 in No. 7.

The CONSUL for the GERMAN EMPIRE, Wellington, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.
SIR,— Consulate of the German Empire, Wellington, 4th August, 1876.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 28th July, informing me, in reply to my letter dated the 26th July, that you decline to admit any responsibility on the part of the Government in respect to the 421 statute adult immigrants daily expected to arrive by the "Fritz Reuter" from Hamburg, as you have been advised by the late Agent-General that the passengers by this ship are not emigrants selected with his approval, and that they have been sent out against his express orders. With reference to your suggestion that I, as Consul for the German Empire, should take such steps as I may deem necessary to protect the interest of these people, of course whatever action I may deem it expedient to take will be without prejudice to the question at issue between the German contractors and the late Agent-General, as that question must be decided elsewhere upon its merits. In conclusion, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to make the arrangements necessary for the proper reception of the immigrants.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration,
Wellington.

I have, &c.,
F. A. KRULL,
Consul for the German Empire.

Enclosure 4 in No. 7.

The UNDER SECRETARY for IMMIGRATION to the CONSUL for the GERMAN EMPIRE, Wellington.
SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 5th August, 1876.

I have the honor, by direction of the Hon. the Minister for Immigration, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date with reference to the passengers by the "Fritz Reuter," and in reply to the last paragraph, I am instructed, in accordance with the terms of my former communication, to inform you that as these persons are not Government immigrants, no steps will be taken by this department for their reception.

F. A. Krull, Esq., Consul for the German Empire,
Wellington.

I have, &c.,
C. E. HAUGHTON.

Enclosure 5 in No. 7.

The CONSUL for the GERMAN EMPIRE, Wellington, to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.
SIR,— Consulate of the German Empire, Wellington, 7th August, 1876.

I have the honor to ask your assistance in regard to the immigrants by the "Fritz Reuter," which vessel arrived here on the 4th instant.

I intend to have them landed to-morrow morning, and should like to know if the immigration barracks could be placed at the disposal of these people, and if the Government will assist me in having them located, and will provide for their maintenance at the expense of the Government until such time as they have found employment.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration,
Wellington.

I have, &c.,
F. A. KRULL,
Consul for the German Empire.

Enclosure 6 in No. 7.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to the CONSUL for the GERMAN EMPIRE, Wellington.
SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 7th August, 1876.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date with regard to certain German passengers who have arrived by the "Fritz Reuter," stating that you intend landing