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them to-morrow, and requesting that the immigration depôt may be placed at their disposal, and that the Government will assist you in having them located, and provide for their maintenance at the public

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expense.

In reply, I have to inform you that under the circumstances I will permit those of the "Fritz Reuter" passengers who are not in a position to provide for themselves to temporarily occupy the depôt upon their disembarkation; but that, whilst desirous in every way to assist you in disposing of them, I am unable, on behalf of the Government, to accept the responsibility of their maintenance and location. If, however, you assure me that these people are unable to maintain themselves until they obtain employment, I will order rations to be issued to them for a few days at the expense of the Government; but they must be made distinctly to understand that they have no claim on this department as Government immigrants. It will further be necessary that they should be informed that whilst in depôt they must conform to the ordinary regulations as if they were such immigrants.

I have, &c.,

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

H. A. ATKINSON.

Enclosure 7 in No. 7.

The CONSUL for the GERMAN EMPIRE to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

Consulate of the German Empire, Wellington, 7th August, 1876. SIR,-I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date in reference to the immigrants by the "Fritz Reuter," and I have to thank you for the assistance you intend giving me in regard to the immigrants, by providing for them at the immigration depôt, and maintaining them for a short period, until they find employment. From what I learn from Dr. Uterhart and Captain Peyn, I can give the assurance that these immigrants, with very few exceptions, are unable to maintain themselves. I understand that about fifty or sixty of the immigrants have relations here, and have come out to them and by their advive. The immigrants will be landed to-morrow morning, and Mr. Redward will be furnished with a list of the passengers for his guidance.

I have, &c.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

F. A. KRULL, Consul for the German Empire.

No. 8.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration to the Agent-General.

(No. 205.)

Immigration Office, Wellington, 20th September, 1876.

In reply to your letter No. 465, of 26th June, I have the honor to inform you that the Secretary to the Auckland Education Board, to whom the matter was referred, reports as follows:—

"Appointments are made by the Local Committees of the various schools, subject to the approval of the Board. It is therefore impossible that any assurance of employment could be given to Miss M.—. At the same time, no good teachers are out of employment in this province, and the demand for their services is likely to increase rather than fall off."

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c.,

H. A. ATKINSON.

No. 9.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration to the Agent-General.

(No. 206.) Immigration Office, Wellington, 20th September, 1876.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 461, of 26th June, with regard to the reports upon the ship "Salisbury." I have to remark that as, notwithstanding the explanation of the Despatching Officer, the fact remains that the stores were pillaged, it appears to me that the precautions taken to prevent such an occurrence could not have been satisfactory: I would again urge that it is a matter of the greatest necessity that all spirituous liquors upon emigrant ships should be so placed and secured as to render pillage of them impossible. I am glad to learn the steps which have been taken to insure the carrying out of boat and fire drill upon all emigrant vessels.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

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

No. 10.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration to the Agent-General.

(No. 210.) Immigration Office, Wellington, 21st September, 1876. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 573, of 27th July, transmitting copy of a letter from Mr. Hill, with regard to a renewal of the agreement in connection with the Blackwall depôt, and to inform you that the Government are willing to abide by the agreement of 10th March, 1874, and pay the sum of one shilling per adult for any emigrants short of the 30,000