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Enclosure 6 in No. 39.

The AGENT-GENERAL to Messrs. R. M. SLOMAN and Co.

7. Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, London, S.W.,

SIRS,-

24th April, 1877. Referring to the arrangement described in Mr. Kennaway's letter of the 16th instant, I have now the honor to inform you that the Government of New Zealand have approved of my recommen-

dation to settle all your claims respecting Continental emigration in the manner indicated in that letter.

I shall forward as soon as possible the documents which it will be necessary for you to sign, previous to my remitting you the amount.

I have, &c.,

Julius Vogel,

Messrs, R. M. Sloman and Co.

Agent-General.

Enclosure 7 in No. 39.

Mr. R. M. SLOMAN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

DEAR SIR JULIUS. Hamburg, 26th April, 1877. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your much-esteemed favour of 24th instant, advising me that the New Zealand Government has ratified the provisional agreement between Mr. Kennaway and myself of the 16th instant, and that I may expect very shortly a final settlement of the same. It is very pleasant that this long-pending affair will then be settled, and although I certainly attribute, in a great manner, the possibility of a settlement to my forbearance in accepting a small compensation against a heavy loss, still I am persuaded this end would not have been attained if you had not met me in a kindly and friendly spirit, for which I beg to tender you my most sincere and best thanks.

Sir Julius Vogel, London.

I have, &c., R. M. SLOMAN.

No. 40.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 418.) 7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

7th May, 1877. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 10th March, No. 53, enclosing copy of telegram sent in reply to mine of the 28th February, respecting Mr. Prichard's application to the Auckland Waste Lands Board; and also informing me as to the amount of the cost of the same. In my letter of 9th March I gave you particulars of what had occurred between Mr. Prichard and myself with regard to the matter, and immediately on the receipt of your telegram I communicated its contents to that gentleman, from whom, however, I have received no further communication. On ascertaining that the cost of the telegrams to and from the colony amounted to £22 13s. 8d, being £2 13s. 8d. in excess of the amount (£20) deposited by Mr. Prichard, I forthwith requested him, by letter, to remit me the balance, but up to this I have received no reply. I have also applied to the Chairman of the proposed Company, drawing his attention to the amount due, but have received no answer from him.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL, Agent-General.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

No 41.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(No. 426.) SIB,-

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

9th May, 1877.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (No. 54) of the 10th March, containing remarks with reference to the correspondence between Mr. Galbraith and myself respecting the shipping contract transmitted in your letter No. 244, of November 16th. In order that I may make myself better understood in this matter, it is necessary that I should recapitulate what has taken place as regards the shipping contract. There were three different forms of shipping contract sent from the colony in 1876:

1st. That described in the Premier's telegram of April 21st, 1876, in which rates of passage money

were £13 17s. 3d. for adults and £7 16s. for children, and the conditions of which were, in other respects, similar to those under which emigrants had been despatched in the previous contracts.

2nd. That sent with letter from your office No. 127, May 25th, 1876, and received at this office in July, in which the rates of passage money were £13 11s. for adults and £7 12s. 10½ d. for children, and the conditions of which had been considerably altered from those of the previous contract.

3rd. That sent with letter from your office No. 244, of November 16th, 1876, in which had been considerably and £7 11s. for adults and £7 the conditions of which had been considerably and the conditions of which had been considerably and £7 11s. for adults and £7 the conditions of which had

passage money were £13 11s. 6d. for adults and £7 11s. for children, and the conditions of which had again been revised.

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