1879. NEW ZEALAND.

MR. BARTON'S CHARGES AGAINST JUDGES OF THE SUPREME COURT.

(PAPERS RELATIVE TO.)

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

No. 1.

Mr. G. E. BARTON to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Parhament Houses, 26th October, 1878.

I have the honor to enclose a copy of the address* to the House of Representatives which I made in reply to the letter of Mr. Justice Richmond. I desire to add that it is a correct report of what I said on that occasion.

I am ready to substantiate by proof the charges I have therein made.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. Colonel Whitmore, Colonial Secretary.

GEORGE ELLIOTT BARTON.

No. 2.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to Mr. G. E. Barton.

Sir,—
Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 29th October, 1878.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th instant, with enclosure.

After carefully considering the report of your speech, the Government are of opinion that no inquiry should be made into any charges against Judges or other persons unless the charges are particularized and specified. This the report of your speech does not do.

G. E. Barton, Esq., M.H.R., Wellington.

I have, &c., G. S. WHITMORE.

No. 3.

Mr. G. E. BARTON to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Parliament Houses, 31st October, 1878.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th instant, and will supply you with the details required on my return from Auckland, for which place I leave this afternoon. I will return in about a week.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Parliament Houses, 31st October, 1878.

Auckland, for which place I leave this afternoon.

I have, &c.,

George Elliott Barton.

No. 4.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary to Mr. G. E. Barton.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 4th November, 1878.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, stating that on your return from Auckland you will supply the details required in my letter of the 29th October, 1878.

I have, &c.,

G. E. Barton, Esq., M.H.R., Wellington.

G. S. WHITMORE.

^{*} See Hansard of 18th October, 1878.