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Enclosure in No. 2.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM to IMMIGRATION OFFICERS.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 27th July, 1878.

By direction of the Hon. Minister for Immigration I enclose for your information copy of a letter dated 5th June, No. 495, received from the Agent-General by the last mail, and I am to request you to be good enough to carry out the suggestions therein, with reference to the receipt of nominations for free passages to this colony.

The Minister desires me to add that he is personally aware that nominations have been accepted which should have been refused, and I am to impress upon you the necessity of exercising the

greatest care in accepting nominations for the future.

H. J. H. ELIOTT, Under Secretary for Immigration.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure in No. 2.

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

7, Westminster Chambers, London, S.W., 5th June, 1878.

I have the honor to inform you that, in some cases of persons nominated by their friends in the colony, the description given as to the age, occupation, &c., of the nominees, differs in one or more particulars from that furnished by themselves when they apply for passages, and, as a rule, in such cases I decline to entertain the application.

I shall, as I have hitherto done, report each individual case to you.

As the result of such mis-description causes, in some cases, much disappointment and some hardship, I think it right to draw your attention specially to the matter, in order that the persons who nominate may be cautioned to take care and give as precise and correct information as possible as to the ages, occupations, positions, &c., of their friends whom they wish to emigrate.

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I would venture, also, to suggest, that the persons nominating should be called upon to give some reason why they think their friends would benefit themselves by coming to New Zealand. For instance, they might state whether they can give them employment on arrival, or whether they consider that their friends would be certain to find employment in the district to which they are invited

to come.

In the case of parents, nominated by their children in the colony, the persons nominated should, I think, state whether they are prepared to receive and maintain them if necessary. This information might be given in the column headed "Remarks" in the nomination list.

If the reasons for nominating are thus noted on the nomination list sent to me, they would often, I believe, assist me materially in deciding cases where there happens to be discrepancies in the description given in the colony and that given to me by the intending emigrants.

I have, &c.,

Julius Vogel, Agent-General.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration.

No. 3.

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

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 12th August, 1878.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th June, No. 511, and, in reply, to thank you for the copy of the periodical called Social Notes, which accompanies it. I take this opportunity of again expressing the thanks of the Government to you for your numerous efforts in bringing the resources of the colony prominently under the notice of intending emigrants and others who desire to make New Zealand their future home.

The Library Committee will be recommended to have the periodical referred to supplied to the General Assembly Library.

I have, &c.,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

ROBERT STOUT.

No. 4.

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

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 12th August, 1878.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 18th June last, No. 517*, with reference to the expenditure of the Agent-General's Department in the United Kingdom, and, in reply, to transmit for your information copy of the Estimates for the financial year 1878-9, from which you will learn that it is proposed to obtain a vote of £4,000 for the purpose, that sum being charged against Consolidated Revenue, instead of Loan as heretofore.

I have, &c.,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

ROBERT STOUT.