

No. 36.

The Hon. J. BALLANCE to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 29th March, 1879.

It having been ascertained that in some instances persons who have already been in the colony, and who have returned to their mother-country on business or pleasure, have taken advantage of the regulations under which free passages are granted to the colony, in order to save the expense of their return passages, I have to request that, in future, you will require each person who is granted a passage as a Government immigrant to sign an undertaking as to the truth of his representations, giving power to the Government to sue for the full amount of passage-money if it is afterwards ascertained that the representations were false; and I shall be obliged by your taking steps to have the necessary form of undertaking prepared under legal advice.

I have, &c.,

J. BALLANCE,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

(for the Minister for Immigration.)

No. 37.

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

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 7th April, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th February last, No. 136, upon the subject of remuneration to Surgeon-superintendents of vessels conveying emigrants to this colony. And, in reply, to inform you that you are authorized to make such terms as you may consider necessary for securing the services of desirable medical gentlemen.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT STOUT.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

No. 38.

The Hon. the PREMIER to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 8th April, 1879.

TELEGRAM 28th February cancelled. Ship one thousand immigrants, arrive winter months—proportion according cancelled telegram.

Vogel, London.

GREY.

No. 39.

The Hon. J. BALLANCE to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 18th April, 1879.

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to make preparation for further immigration to this colony, but the Government is of opinion that the progress of the country should be watched for the ensuing two months before the definite number for emigration is named.

You can, however, prepare for sending two thousand people for the next season; more, however, will be required, and definite instructions will be telegraphed to you in about six or eight weeks.

These people should be sent to the several ports of the colony according to the proportions given in Sir George Grey's telegram of the 28th February last.

I have, &c.,

J. BALLANCE,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

(for the Minister for Immigration.)

No. 40.

The Hon. J. BALLANCE to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 24th April, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd February last, reporting Mr. A. Simmons's departure for this colony by the steamer "Stad Haarlem."

In reply I have to inform you that Mr. Simmons has duly arrived, and has been furnished with a free pass over all the railways to facilitate his seeing the country, and that when he wishes to return to England he will be granted a cabin passage by whichever route he may choose to take.

I have, &c.,

J. BALLANCE,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

(for the Minister for Immigration.)

No. 41.

The Hon. J. BALLANCE to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, N.Z., 26th April, 1879.

I have the honor to transmit herewith the undermentioned documents relating to the steamer "Stad Haarlem," which arrived at Port Lyttelton on the 15th instant:—

1. Commissioners' report.

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