

in question has more disadvantages than otherwise, I am inclined to think that great care should be taken, both in the colony and in this country, that the benefits to be derived from it are not abused.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration,  
Wellington.

JULIUS VOGEL,  
Agent-General.

### Enclosure in No. 9.

EXTRACT from LETTER from Mr. C. HOLLOWAY.

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A WORD upon the nomination system. My opinion is it may have some advantages, but it has more disadvantages—for instance, when I went from London to Yeovil the other day, I fell in with a young couple, with one child, going to Plymouth, to proceed as emigrants to New Zealand under the nominated system. They were not a very healthy-looking family, and the man by trade was a brass moulder, a trade not included in the list we are instructed to send out this season. I find, too, that several think of taking advantage of this system to get their friends out to the colony, who are, apart from this system, not eligible, and not at all suited to the requirements of the colony.

I think there should be just as much care exercised in sending out nominated persons, as there is with reference to sending out other emigrants—that is, if we only want to send out suitable persons to the colony.

This for your consideration.

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### No. 10.

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

SIR,—

7, Westminster Chambers, London, 5th September, 1878.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th July, No. 126, in which you express the views of the Government regarding the suggestions I made for setting aside land, as a means of attracting to the colony persons of moderate capital. Seeing how very largely the value of land and the demand for it for small farms has increased in the colony, I am disposed to agree with the conclusion arrived at.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

JULIUS VOGEL,  
Agent-General.

### No. 11.

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

SIR,—

7, Westminster Chambers, London, 5th September, 1878.

From time to time I receive applications for free passages to New Zealand from persons who state that they have relations in the colony.

In cases where the applicants belong to one of the vocations mentioned by you as eligible for free passages, and are otherwise suitable, I, of course, entertain their applications.

As regards others, who either by vocation or otherwise are not eligible, I, in some cases, but not in all, direct the applicant's attention to the system of nomination existing in the colony, and suggest that they write to their friends, and ask them to apply to the Immigration Officer of the district in which their friends reside, and to endeavour to arrange for their passage. I wish you, however, to understand, that my acquainting persons in England with the system of nomination should not be considered as, in any way, recommending your approval of the nomination of such persons, and that it will be still necessary in such cases for the Immigration Officers to satisfy themselves of the eligibility of the persons on whose behalf the nomination is required. It appears to me that the acceptance of such nominations should depend, to a large extent, on the ability of the persons to receive their friends, and either finding or giving them employment on arrival.

In connection with this subject of nomination I may mention, that in some cases, the description given by the applicants themselves differs from that given in the nomination lists; and in some cases, where such discrepancies are of importance, I have thought it right to decline to entertain the applications, and to refer the nominations back to the colony.

It would be well, therefore, if the Immigration Officers specially warned the friends of those who are nominated, that they must be careful to give correct information, as far as they can, as regards age, occupation, number of children, health, &c., of the persons whom they nominate.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

JULIUS VOGEL,  
Agent-General.

### No. 12.

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

SIR,—

7, Westminster Chambers, London, 10th September, 1878.

In continuation of my previous reply\* to your letter of the 24th April, No. 78,† on the subject of a bounty to beet-root sugar producers, I regret to say that hitherto I have

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