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Enclosure 5 in No. 29.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE.

Sir,—
7, Westminster Chambers, London, 3rd December, 1878.
Referring to your letter of the 29th ultimo, respecting the emigrants by the ship "Piako," I have the honor to inform you that I called at the Colonial Office on Saturday last, for the purpose of asking you to request the Secretary of State for the Colonies to move the Marquis of Salisbury to authorize, by telegram, the British Consul to communicate direct with me on the subject of the abovementioned emigrants, who are now at Pernambuco.

As the matter was urgent, I requested the officer of your department, whom I saw, to communicate my request to you as soon as possible; and, presuming that there would be no difficulty in the matter, I, on the same day, sent a telegram (copy attached) to the British Consul at Pernambuco.

I have not yet received a reply from him, but, meanwhile, shall be glad to be informed whether he has been authorized to communicate with me direct, and to take such steps in the matter as I may request him. I have, &c., Julius Vogel,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

Agent-General for New Zealand.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure 5 in No. 29.

(Telegram.) 7, Westminster Chambers, London, 30th November, 1878. "Piako."—Can you arrange send emigrants to England by steamer, Plymouth preferred; and what price? What steamers are leaving? Reply as soon as possible.

British Consul Walker, Pernambuco.

VOGEL.

Enclosure 6 in No. 29.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the BRITISH CONSUL, Pernambuco.

(Telegram.) 3rd December, 1878. ANXIOUSLY awaiting your reply as to arrangements for bringing emigrants back to England. To British Consul Walker, Pernambuco.

Enclosure 7 in No. 29.

Mr. WINGFIELD to the AGENT-GENERAL.

Sir,-Downing Street, 4th December, 1878. With reference to your letter of the 3rd instant, on the subject of the emigrants landed at Pernambuco from the ship "Piako," burnt at sea, I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acquaint you that the following telegram has been forwarded by the Marquis of Salisbury to Consul Walker at Pernambuco:—"You will receive a telegram from Sir J. Vogel respecting emigrants in "Piako." Act as he wishes.

The Agent-General for New Zealand.

EDWARD WINGFIELD.

Enclosure 8 in No. 29.

Messrs. Griffiths and Co. to the Agent-General.

Fenchurch House, Nos. 5 and 7, Fenchurch Street, London, 3rd December, 1878.

I have, &c.,

In answer to your inquiry about two hundred and fifty steerage passengers from Pernambuco to Plymouth, the Pacific Steam Navigation Company offer to take the passengers as convenient to them at £12 each, including railway fare to Plymouth, food, bedding, &c.

As the first steamer leaves on the 14th December, the Company would like to know if their offer

is accepted, as they would then telegraph their agents at Rio about room.

The Agent-General for New Zealand.

Sir,-

N. GRIFFITHS, TATE, AND SELBY.

Enclosure 9 in No. 29.

The British Consul, Pernambuco, to the Agent-General.

Pernambuco, 4th December, 1878. (Telegram.) ROYAL Mail and Pacific steamer sail 14th instant; former will convey emigrants Plymouth £1,750; latter to Liverpool £2,592. Caused delay awaiting tenders. Sir Julius Vogel, 7, Westminster Chambers. CONSUL.

Enclosure 10 in No. 29.

Sir Julius Vogel to British Consul, Pernambuco.

(Telegram.) 5th December, 1878. APPROVE terms of Mail Company. Surgeon must have first-class passage. British Consul Walker, Pernambuco. Vogel, 3-D. 2.