

As soon as you have satisfied yourself in the choice of the officer, I shall be glad if you will arrange for his leaving for the colony at as early a date as possible.

The Agent-General for New Zealand,
London.

I have, &c.,
WM. ROLLESTON,
(In absence of the Colonial Secretary.)

P.S.—I believe there is also a correspondence in your office between myself when Superintendent of Canterbury and the late Dr. Featherston on the subject of the appointment of a gaoler in Canterbury, which had a very satisfactory result. This may contain useful information collected on the subject by your predecessor.—W.R.

No. 2.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 198.)

SIR,— 7 Westminster Chambers, London, S.W., 18th March, 1880.

Referring to your letter, No. 6, of the 3rd January last, instructing me to select a gentleman as Inspector of Prisons in New Zealand, I have the honor to transmit copy of the advertisement which I have issued for that purpose, together with copies of the application form, and statement specifying the qualifications required and the conditions under which the appointment will be made.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL,
Agent-General.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Enclosure 1 in No. 2.

INSPECTOR OF PRISONS, New Zealand.—The Agent-General for New Zealand will receive, until the 15th April, written applications for the appointment of Inspector of Prisons in New Zealand.

The salary will not exceed £600 per annum, with the usual travelling expenses.

Candidates must have a thoroughly practical acquaintance with the latest methods adopted in prisons and penal establishments, and also in the reformatories of Great Britain, in respect of discipline, appliances, and buildings. As experience in these matters is an indispensable qualification, no notice will be taken of applications from persons not possessing such experience.

Private or personal representations on behalf of any candidate will in no way serve him. The testimonials and references accompanying his application will alone be considered.

A printed statement, giving further particulars and forms of application, can be obtained by intending applicants at the office of the Agent-General for New Zealand, 7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, London, S.W.

March 9, 1880.

Enclosure 2 in No. 2.

NEW ZEALAND: Form of Application, Inspector of Prisons.—The applicant is requested to fill up the subjoined form, in duplicate, which must be sent to Sir Julius Vogel, 7, Westminster Chambers, London, S.W., on or before Thursday, April 15th, 1889, together with two copies of his testimonials, which should be written (or printed) on one side of the paper, and fastened together at the left-hand upper corner. The selected candidates will be duly communicated with. On returning the application the envelope should be marked "Inspector of Prisons."

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| 1. Name in full and address | 4. Are there any of your testimonials to which you desire to call special attention? |
| 2. Age | 5. In what capacity has your experience been gained? ... |
| 3. How long experience in matters connected with prisons and prison management, &c.? | |

Enclosure 3 in No. 2.

STATEMENT specifying generally the Qualifications which the Government of New Zealand require as regards the Candidates for the Appointment of Inspector of Prisons in New Zealand, and also giving Information respecting the Duties, &c., of the Office, and the Conditions under which it would be held.

CANDIDATES must have a thoroughly practical acquaintance with the latest methods adopted in prisons and penal establishments, and also in the reformatories of Great Britain, in respect of discipline, appliances, and buildings.

They should have a complete and personal knowledge of the plans of buildings, suitable for those purposes, most approved in England, more especially of those which have been most recently adopted by the Commissioners of Prisons.

The increase of population in the colony renders it essential to add considerably to the gaol accommodation, which, hitherto, has not been provided on any definite system, so that no officer, who had not himself been engaged in carrying out the work of modern prison discipline, would be likely to be capable of undertaking the duties of the office, which would involve the work of organization which has now become so necessary.

Any gentleman who obtains the appointment must therefore be prepared not to limit himself to what he may understand to be the ordinary duties of an Inspector of Prisons, as he will be required, and must be competent, to advise and in every other way aid the authorities in the colony in placing the whole prison system there on a complete and properly organized footing.