

The Hon. J. VOGEL to Mr. OTTYWELL.

SIR,—

Charing Cross Hotel, London, 24th June, 1871.

Under the terms of a contract entered into with Messrs. Brogden and Sons, those gentlemen propose to ship certain railway materials and plant to New Zealand, and have applied to me to appoint an Engineer to inspect and approve of the same.

I have, therefore, the honour to request that you will move Mr. G. W. Hemans, C.E., to prepare specifications, or to consider specifications submitted by Messrs. Brogden and Sons; and, if he thinks it right so to do, to approve of the same. In either case, Mr. Hemans will inspect, and certify respecting the plant and material before they are shipped. It is proposed to send out—Rails, suitable for light railways; engines; and goods wagons; the total value not to exceed £25,000. You should consider that the gauge is to be 3 feet 6 inches, and that the railways are to be light—say, to cost from £3,000 to £5,000 a mile. As this is business in the nature of that which Mr. Hemans contemplated, I beg you will arrange with him that his charges shall be limited to 1½ per cent.

You will be so good as at once to place yourself in communication with Messrs. Brogden on the matter generally.

A. O. Ottywell, Esq., Charing Cross.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to Messrs. BROGDEN and SONS.

GENTLEMEN,—

Charing Cross Hotel, London, 26th June, 1871.

I have the honour to enclose to you copy of a letter which I have this day addressed to Mr. A. O. Ottywell, of 16, Charing Cross.

I have, &c.,

Messrs. John Brogden and Sons.

JULIUS VOGEL.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to Mr. OTTYWELL.

SIR,—

Charing Cross Hotel, London, 26th June, 1871.

Referring to my letter of the 24th instant, as to certain railway plant and materials to be shipped to New Zealand by Messrs. Brogden and Sons, and as to the services in connection therewith which you are to move Mr. G. W. Hemans, C.E., to render, I have the honour to add that, when tenders are received by Messrs. Brogden and Sons, and submitted to Mr. Hemans, he is to consult those gentlemen, and to come to some determination with them as to the tender or tenders to be accepted.

I have, &c.,

A. O. Ottywell, Esq., Charing Cross.

JULIUS VOGEL.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to Mr. MORRISON.

DEAR SIR,—

New York, U.S., 10th July, 1871.

The shortness of my stay in London, after the contract with Messrs. Brogden was signed, did not permit me time to write to thank you for the cordial assistance you rendered me throughout the protracted negotiations with those gentlemen. I now, therefore, take the opportunity of conveying to you my thanks for that assistance, as also for the readiness with which you lent me your valuable services for other purposes during my stay in London.

I have, &c.,

John Morrison, Esq.

JULIUS VOGEL.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to Mr. MORRISON.

MY DEAR MR. MORRISON,—

San Francisco, Cal., 20th July, 1871.

Many thanks for your letter of June 29th, and for the copy of advertisements enclosed in it. I have received safely the letter from Mr. Mackrell, and its enclosures.

In reply to your question whether you are at liberty to use the explanation I gave you orally as to the reason why I referred Mr. Brogden to Mr. Ottywell instead of to yourself, I have to say that you are fully at liberty to use that explanation. I may add that it was only in the hurry of the moment it occurred to me to employ Mr. Ottywell, and that, if I had had time to think over the matter, I should certainly have referred Mr. Brogden to you, leaving it to you to make arrangements with Mr. Ottywell. I have, further, explicitly to assure you that it was only in consequence of my having been brought into contact with Mr. Ottywell in respect to Canterbury matters, for similar purposes, that the idea of employing him upon the occasion in question occurred to me. Nothing was further from my mind than the idea of putting any slight upon yourself. Indeed, I had reason to be very much obliged to you for the great zeal you showed throughout the negotiations with Messrs. Brogden.

I have, &c.,

John Morrison, Esq.

JULIUS VOGEL.

## SUBSEQUENT CONTRACTS, PRELIMINARY TO RAILWAY CONTRACTS.

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ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN AND MESSIEURS ALEXANDER, HENRY, AND JAMES BROGDEN, TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING CONTRACT NO. 2.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT entered into this eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, between Her Majesty the Queen, of the first part, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Governor of New Zealand (hereinafter referred to as "the Governor"), of the second part, and Alexander Brogden, Henry Brogden, and James Brogden, all of Queen's Square, in the City of Westminster, in England, Railway Contractors (hereinafter referred to as "the Contractors"), of the other part.

WHEREAS by articles of agreement dated the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one (hereinafter referred to as Contract No. 1), made between the Governor and