

Sealed with the Seal of the Colony,
and signed by the Governor, in presence
of
JULIUS VOGEL.

ALEXANDER BROGDEN,
By his Attorney, James Brogden. (Seal.)

Signed, sealed, and delivered by the
above-named Alexander Brogden, Henry
Brogden, and James Brogden, in the
presence of

HENRY BROGDEN,
By his Attorney, James Brogden. (Seal.)

WM. THOS. LOCKE TRAVERS,
Solicitor,
Wellington.

JAMES BROGDEN. (Seal.)

I, the within named James Brogden, of No. 4, Queen's Square, in the City of Westminster, in England, railway contractor, now residing at the City of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That I am the attorney named in a certain power of attorney dated the nineteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, of which a copy is annexed to the within written deed.

2. That I have not received any notice or information of the revocation of the said power of attorney, by death or otherwise

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Powers of Attorney Act, 1854."

JAMES BROGDEN.

Declared at Wellington, this eighteenth day of December, 1871,

G. S. COOPER,

A Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE PRELIMINARY TO RAILWAY CONTRACTS.

Extract from Appendix to the Journals of the House of Representatives, D.-1, 1872, page 20.

The Hon. W. GISBORNE to Mr. J. BROGDEN.

SIR,—

Public Works Office, Wellington, 18th December, 1871.

In reference to the stipulations contained in the agreement this day entered into between your firm and the Government, I beg to state that the Government will give you, not less than one month before the delivery of the data referred to in clause 3 of that agreement, in respect of each railway proposed to be constructed, a notice of the probable time at which the data for such railway will be supplied to you, and will, at any time after such notice, at your request, supply you with any information relative to the proposed work which the Government then have in their possession and may feel justified in supplying; but this letter is to be entirely without prejudice to the right of the Government to require you to accept the data afterwards actually delivered as those upon which your tender for construction is to be based.

I also beg to state that if the tender for any such railway is posted in a registered letter within the time specified in the contract, and addressed to the Minister for Public Works at Wellington, or shall, within such time as aforesaid, be delivered to any person, in any province or county, who shall be appointed by the Minister for Public Works for the purpose of receiving tenders from you for railways to be constructed within such province or county, such posting or delivery shall be deemed a sufficient delivery of such tenders within the meaning of the said contract.

I have also to inform you that the 10 per cent. agreed to be paid you on the order dated 25th November last will, if you wish it, be paid in London.

James Brogden, Esq., for the Messrs. Brogden.

I have, &c.,

W. GISBORNE.

The UNDER-SECRETARY, Public Works, to Messrs. BROGDEN.

GENTLEMEN,—

Public Works Office, Wellington, 19th December, 1871.

I am directed by the Hon. the Minister for Public Works to forward to you the enclosed list of railways, which, in conformity with clause 2 of the agreement signed by you yesterday, it is desired to have constructed.

I have, &c.,

JOHN KNOWLES,

Messrs. Alexander, Henry, and James Brogden, Contractors.

Under-Secretary.

LIST OF RAILWAYS.

North Island.

Auckland to Mercer.

Wellington to Hutt Valley. (Twenty miles.)

Waitara to New Plymouth.

Napier to Pakipaki. (Twenty miles.)

Kawakawa to place of shipment. (Conditional on satisfactory arrangement being made with owners or lessees of coal mines by the Government.)