

No. 15.

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

(Memorandum.)

Immigration Department, Wellington, 1st June, 1886.

REFERRING to that portion of your monthly report for March last, in which you state that you have approved a few families under the scheme of assisted passages to farmers &c. possessed of small capital, I forward for your information, copies of circulars of instructions that have been issued to Immigration Officers and Commissioners of Crown Lands, directing that all persons assisted by you under the regulations are to be furnished on arrival in the Colony with full information as to the Crown Lands which may be opened for sale or disposal.

J. BALLANCE

Minister of Immigration.

Enclosure 1 in No. 15.

(Circular No. 1 to Immigration Officers.) Immigration Office, Wellington, 29th May, 1886.

I ENCLOSE for your information copy of a circular which has been addressed to Commissioners of Crown Lands; and I am to request you to be good enough to take all persons assisted by the Agent-General to emigrate under "The Regulations for the passages of Farmers and Agriculturists possessed of small capital" who may arrive at your port, to the Crown Lands Office, where they will be furnished with information respecting the Crown Lands which may be open for sale or disposal.

Any further general information which your personal knowledge of the Colony may enable you to supply, should be freely afforded to all persons who may arrive at your port for the purpose of settling in New Zealand.

The Immigration Officer.

H. J. H. ELIOTT,

Under-Secretary.

Enclosure 2 in No. 15.

(Circular No. 9 to Commissioners of Crown Lands.)

General Crown Lands Office, Wellington, 29th May, 1886.

I ENCLOSE herewith copy of the Regulations for granting assistance towards the passages of Farmers and Agriculturists possessed of small capital, and I have to state that, as arrangements have now been made by the Agent-General for providing passages for persons of this class, it will be necessary that every facility should be afforded them of acquiring information respecting the Crown Lands of the Colony.

I am accordingly to request that when the Immigration Officer introduces such persons to you, you will supply them with Land Guides, Maps, Regulations, and full information respecting the Crown Lands in your district.

H. J. H. ELIOTT,

Under-Secretary.

No. 16.

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

(Memorandum)

Immigration Department, Wellington, 17th June, 1886.

REFERRING to previous correspondence relative to the arrangement made with Mr Clayden as lecturer in the United Kingdom, I have now to forward for your information, copy of a letter received from that gentleman, requesting permission to complete his work with a period of nine months instead of a year, together with a copy of my reply to him.

J. BALLANCE,

Minister for Immigration.

Enclosure 1 in No. 16.

MR. ARTHUR CLAYDEN to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

SIR,—

8, Aberdeen Terrace, Clifton, Bristol, 23rd March, 1886.

I shall be glad if you will allow me to condense my work into a somewhat shorter period than one year, as I am endeavouring to get up a Special Temperance Settlement for the Government land in the Raglan County, which Mr Hill, of Auckland, and other influential temperance men there are greatly interested in.

My coadjutors here deem it essential that I should accompany the party out about next October. This would mean that about 9 months service, including the time of voyages, instead of 12 was given. I certainly think that special settlement schemes are the most promising form of New Zealand emigration just now. There is a charm to our English middle classes in Association.

If you concur in this suggestion, perhaps you will be good enough to advise the Agent-General accordingly.

I am already in communication with several families with capital, who are thinking of making New Zealand their future home, and I am hopeful that our efforts will be moderately successful.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. Mr Ballance.

ARTHUR CLAYDEN.