

arrived at, in order that the defences of King George's Sound and Thursday Island may be commenced as soon as possible. I have, &c.,

KNUTSFORD.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Enclosure 1.

COST OF ARMAMENT NOW OFFERED BY IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT.

King George's Sound.

Three 6in. B.L. guns on H.P. mountings, with 100 rounds of ammunition per gun	£ 10,000
Six nine-pounders, with 100 rounds of ammunition per gun	1,776
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Submarine-mine stores	3,500
Total	£15,276

Thursday Island.

Three 6in. B.L. guns on H.P. mountings, with 100 rounds of ammunition per gun	£ 10,000
Four nine-pounders, with 100 rounds of ammunition per gun	1,184
Total	£11,184
Total Imperial contribution	£26,460

Enclosure 2.

Works—

KING GEORGE'S SOUND.

Emplacements for three 6in. B.L. guns, at £2,000	£ 6,000
Infantry-work	800
Roads, submarine-mining buildings, magazine arrangements, and emplacements for nine-pounders	3,500
Barracks for two officers and twenty-eight non-commissioned officers and men	4,000
Total	£14,300

Annual Charge—

Garrison	£ 3,113
Maintenance of works and buildings	200
Maintenance of submarine-mining stores, and hire of boats for training, &c.	150
Practice-ammunition	50
Total	£3,513

THURSDAY ISLAND.

Works—

Emplacements for three 6in. B.L. guns, at £2,200	£ 6,600
Emplacements for nine-pounder guns	1,000
Roads, arrangements for infantry defence, &c.	3,500
Barracks for two officers and forty-eight non-commissioned officers and men	6,000
Total	£17,100

Annual Charge—

Garrison	£ 4,457
Maintenance of works and buildings	300
Practice-ammunition	50
Total	£4,807

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(Circular.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 3rd September, 1889.

As it appears from the replies which have been received from some colonies to my circular despatch of the 16th of April last that it has been understood as referring only to criminal lunatics, I have the honour to point out that