

TELEGRAM, 29TH APRIL, 1902.

The Hon. the Acting-Premier, Wellington.

REGRET reported decision Cabinet *re* police. Received no official reply myself. Public feeling very strong. Expect meeting will be called to-morrow and matter carried to Parliament. Kind regards Lady Ward and yourself.

H. BAIGENT.

C. of P.—File. 30/4/02.

TELEGRAM, 25TH APRIL, 1902.

Hon. J. McGowan, Minister of Justice, Wellington.

In compliance with almost absolutely universal desire here, will Government either reconsider or grant public inquiry *in re* charges against police. Am certain if you can spare time for full consideration Commissioner's report and findings thereon your known sense of fair play will cause you to repudiate the unmerited punishment so far resolved upon. Hope to receive speedy reply such as will relieve public tension, which is very highly strung. Kind regards.

For Cabinet.—25/4/02.

JOHN GRAHAM.

Police Department (Commissioner's Office), Wellington, 18th April, 1902.
Memorandum for the Hon. the Minister of Justice.

Police Changes at Nelson.

I RECOMMEND,—

1. That Sergeant Mackay be transferred to Christchurch for street duty there in accordance with Cabinet minute, and that Sergeant Dougan, now doing duty at Christchurch, be appointed to succeed Sergeant Mackay at Nelson.

2. That Constable Bird, who is Police Gaoler, be transferred to Blenheim, and that Constable Harris, now in charge of Mangaweka, who was formerly Police Gaoler at Westport, be transferred to Nelson to succeed Constable Bird. Constable Harris has bad varicose veins, and in consequence will have to be found a place where there is not much walking, or leave the service.

3. That Constable Williams be transferred from Nelson to Manners Street, Wellington, and that Constable Tonkinson, of Manners Street, succeeds Constable Williams at Nelson.

4. That Constable Kemp, of Nelson, be transferred to Mount Cook Station, and that Constable _____, of the latter station, succeeds Constable Kemp at Nelson. _____ has a brother, a notorious criminal, who when at liberty resides mainly about the Mount Cook section. It is therefore inadvisable that the constable should be doing duty in the same locality.

5. That Constable Fitzsimmons, of Wellington, be transferred to Nelson, *vice* Durbridge, called on to resign. I will select a man to fill Constable Burrell's vacancy later on, if necessary.

J. B. TUNBRIDGE,

Commissioner of Police.

Appd.—J. McG. 18/4/02.

Police Department, Wellington, 18th April, 1902.

Sub-Inspector Wilson, Greymouth.

Police Changes at Nelson.

THE following transfers are to be carried out as early as possible :—

Sergeant Mackay is transferred to Christchurch for street duty there in accordance with Cabinet minute, and Sergeant Dougan, now doing duty at Christchurch, is appointed to succeed Sergeant Mackay at Nelson.

Constable Bird is transferred to Blenheim, and Constable Harris, now in charge of Mangaweka, who was formerly Police Gaoler at Westport, is transferred to Nelson to succeed Constable Bird.

Constable Williams is transferred from Nelson to Manners Street, Wellington, and Constable Tonkinson, of Manners Street, succeeds Constable Williams at Nelson.

Constable Kemp is transferred to Mount Cook Station, and Constable _____, of the latter station, succeeds Constable Kemp at Nelson.

Constable Fitzsimmons of Wellington is transferred to Nelson, *vice* Durbridge, called on to resign.

I will select a man to fill Constable Burrell's vacancy later on, if necessary.

J. B. TUNBRIDGE,

Commissioner of Police.

Police Department, Wellington, 18th April, 1902.

Inspector Gillies, Christchurch.

SERGEANT MACKAY, now in charge of Nelson, is transferred to Christchurch for ordinary duty for six months at least; and Sergeant Dougan, now doing street duty at Christchurch, is appointed to charge of Nelson, *vice* Mackay.

Please arrange for Sergeant Dougan to proceed as early as he conveniently can do so.

J. B. TUNBRIDGE, Commr.

THE COMMISSIONER.—Sergeant Mackay arrived here on transfer on the 11th instant, *vide* my wire of yesterday.—W. J. GILLIES, Insp. 13/5/02.

TELEGRAM, 3RD MAY, 1902.

The Commissioner of Police, Wellington.

CONSTABLES Burrell and Durbridge, of Nelson, discharged this day. Were paid to and for 25th ultimo, date suspended. Circular 8/02 complied with.

EDWD. WILSON, Sub-Inspector.