

Letter: John Morrison to the Colonial Secretary's Office 26 Sep 1864
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Correspondence relative to the Despatch of Emigrants to New Zealand

The NZ Emigration Board to the Colonial Secretary, Auckland; Office of the NZ Emigration Board, 3, Adelaide-place, London Bridge, London, E.C., 26 Sep 1864

Sir, We have the honour to inform you that, in accordance with the authority received from the Hon. Reader Wood before leaving England, we have applied to the Crown Agents for the Colonies for the sum of £10,000 in bonds on account of Emigration Expenditure; and we beg to enclose herewith copies of Mr Sargeant's letters to us on the subject, dated 19th and 26th curt., from which you will observe that only £5800 in debentures have been retained for emigration purposes, which the Crown Agents are prepared to deliver to us on application, and for the balance they are prepared to pay us in cash, say £3780, about the latter end of November. We have not received the additional sum of £20,000 from the Bank of New Zealand, and no positive assurance is held out to us by the Bank that they will be in a position at any future time to comply with Mr Wood's request to pay us over the amount, notwithstanding the sale of the first million of bonds. We have therefore the honor to request that you will make such financial arrangements as are required for the vigorous prosecution of the Emigration Scheme, if it is the wish of the Government that it should be carried on. We purpose despatching a vessel from Ireland about end of next month, and another from England about the middle of November. Mr Clark will also have a second ship from Scotland in November. Wm. S. Grahame, John Morrison.