

Letters received by Commissioner of Crown Lands (1853-1880)

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Letter dated 20 Apr 1853 from Sidney Stephen, Judge's Chambers, Wellington – with correspondence relating to a legal case as outlined below by Francis Dillon Bell.

Mr George Moore of this place (Wellington) merchant was the partner of Edward Johnson deceased in a firm styled Johnson and Moore. Edward Johnson bought land, partly in his own name and partly in the name of the firm, and George Moore also held some land in his own name. The lands purchased in this country were also bought, as the Commissioner has sufficiently satisfied himself on examination of the Books of the Firm, with partnership funds: and the firm having occasion to get advances from the Union Bank, the whole of the Land orders including those standing in the single names of George Moore and Edward Johnson as well as those standing in the names of the firm, were deposited by the firm with the Bank as collateral security for such advances. At the time of such advances therefore all the real estate was to be considered as partnership property. Shortly after, Johnson died (in 1844) leaving a Will and bequeathing certain property to parties in England and appointing George Moore, James Edward Chapman and Edward Westall executors. The firm at that time was in difficulties and could not have met its engagements without selling the real property, and it is very doubtful whether at the great sacrifice that would have been unavoidable in the then depressed state of the colony such a sale would have enabled the liabilities of the firm to be met. George Moore continued to carry on the business notwithstanding Johnson's death in the name of the firm; and eventually got out of the difficulties referred to without selling any of the real property, and realised a surplus: after winding up the accounts of the firm and he made an offer to the Legatees through one of his co-executors of £500 for the purchase of their interest in the real estate belonging to the firm. The co-executors named, J. E. Chapman has replied requiring £800 and offering on behalf of the Legatees to make a conveyance to George Moore of their interest in consideration of that sum being paid them. G. Moore proposes to accept this offer and remit the money at once and under the circumstances requests that having deposited the Land orders and other documents of the title, he may be reported entitled to the Grants, and Grants be issued to him accordingly on satisfying the Commissioner that the money has been remitted. Copies of the correspondence relating to the offer, and of an affidavit of G. Moore upon the case, are herewith submitted to your Honour. The opinion of your Honour is requested.

[1] Whether the Commissioner will be justified upon J. E. Chapman's letter in reporting (being first satisfied of the title and of the £800 having been remitted) that G. Moore is entitled to the Grants and in issuing the Grants accordingly.

[2] To what party the Commissioner ought to see that the money is sent: to the Co-executor J. E. Chapman, to the Legatees, or to the representative of G. Moore with directions to pay over on the execution of the Conveyance and Release which G. Moore intends sending home.

Schedule of documents: **[all are within this file]**

Letter from the Commissioner to His Honour 18 Apr 1853

Case from the Commissioner to His Honour 18 Apr 1853

Copy of letter from G. Moore to the Commissioner 07 Apr 1853

Copy of affidavit of G. Moore made before R. R. Strang 16 Apr 1853

Letter dated 28 Oct 1851 from Archibald Watson Shand, Settlement of Wellington. An application to have his claim heard and decided in relation to a quarter of an acre – being part of Town acre 489 – in the possession of or claimed by Francis Bradey. Refers to Preliminary Land order No.29, Certificate of selection 14 Jul 1841 of the whole acre by A. W. Shand.

Letter [undated] from Francis Dillon Bell to Alfred Domett – Did the Governor write by the 'Midlothian' or the 'Wm Alfred' about the passage of Marriott's family? Reply: The despatch did not go by the 'Midlothian' because the... had not been entered into, nor was the address of Mr Marriott's family given and Mr Bell's letter did not come in until... day before the 'Midlothian' sailed but the despatch is written and... Mr Bell reports that... has... and states the address of the family it shall be sent on.
Note dated 23 Apr 1852 Mr Bell is requested to furnish the particulars again.

Letter dated 03 Feb 1853 from William Bowler, Wellington. Sir, We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14 Dec 1852 and also to inform you that the Land order No.362 Part 1 & 2 with Certificate of Selection Town required by you to substantiate the title of Mr William Bowler to Town acre No.284 have been sent you amongst others, in our letter of 2nd instant.

Letter dated 26 Apr 1853 from Alfred Domett. Sir, I have the honor to transmit to you for your information and guidance forty-three letters from non-residential land owners in New Zealand notifying the names of the persons in the Colony to whom they have given Powers of Attorney, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants for the land to which they may be entitled.

List of letters of notice from non-resident Land owners in New Zealand, notifying the names of the persons in the Colony who have received a Power of Attorney to act in their behalf:-

[1] G. Ashley, Lord Mayor's Court Office, City gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon of Wellington on 14 Jun 1842 and 30 Apr 1850 to act with regard to Wellington Section 407 Original Land order and 407A Supplementary Land order – 07 Jan 1852

[2] Joshua Blakey, Halifax gave Power of Attorney to Charles Ernest Von Alzdorf of Wellington on 28 Mar 1850 to act with regard to Wellington Town sections Nos 178 & 115, Rural Section Nos 33 Hutt District and 41 Karori – 08 Jan 1852

[3] Henry Blakey, Halifax gave Power of Attorney to Charles Ernest Von Alzdorf of Wellington on 28 Mar 1850 to act with regard to Wellington Town section 819 and Rural 84 Manawatu – 08 Jan 1852

[4] Note from George F. Buller: Sir, I am directed by my Father (Sir Antony Buller) to state that he has transferred all his land in New Zealand; of the Parties to whom it has been transferred he is ignorant – received 21 Jan 1852

[5] Jane Burrows, Trumpington, Cambridgeshire gave Power of Attorney to Charles Ernest Von Alzdorf and Robert Waitt of Wellington on 24 Jan 1852 to act with regard to Wellington sections 44, 367, 177 & 435 – 31 Jan 1852

[6] John Chapman, Bradford gave Power of Attorney to Charles E. Von Alzdorf of Wellington on 30 Mar 1850 to act with regard to Wellington section 631 – 12 Dec 1851

[7] Richard Crawford, 81 Gracechurch St, City gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler of New Zealand House on 24 Feb 1851 to act with regard to Wellington sections 395 and 1080 – 22 Jan 1852

[8] D. de Castro, 19 South Street, Finsbury gave Power of Attorney to Messrs William Bowler the elder and William Bowler the younger on 05 Feb 1852 to act with regard to Wellington land orders Nos 403 and 988 – 05 Feb 1852

[9] Henry Douthwaite, 31 Little Moorfields, London gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler of Wellington on 12 Jan 1852

[10] Thomas Firth, 94 ..., Huddersfield gave Power of Attorney to Charles E. Von Alzdorf of Wellington to act with regard to Wellington Town section 850 and 95 Rural Horowhenua district – 10 Jan 1852

[11] Sophia Gill, executrix of the late Thomas Gill, West... West Street, Walworth gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler, Commission Agent, of Wellington to act with regard to Wellington Preliminary Land order No.911 – 10 Feb 1852

[12] Letter from Charles W. Gray, 31 Great St Helens. Sir, Some delay has occurred with the inclosed paper in consequence of Mr B. C. V. Gray's long illness & consequent absence from business. A full power has been forwarded to Mr C. E. Von Alzdorf for the management of Mr Gray's landed property in New Zealand. B. Charles F. Gray, 31 Great St Helens gave Power of Attorney to Charles Ernest Von Alzdorf of Wellington on 01 Aug 1851 to act with regard to Wellington section 104 for one town acre and 100 country acres attached; 812 for one town acre and 100 country acres attached and also supplementary land orders dated 25 Jan 1850 for 75 acres for each section, as compensation land – 10 Jan 1852

[13] John P. Hawkey, 30 Coleshill Street Eaton Square gave Power of Attorney to Charles Clifford, Esquire, of Wellington on 14 Jun 1850 to act with regard to Wellington Town sections 135, 266 and 618 – 24 Jun 1852

[14] Couper & White for Trustees of the late Alexander Johnston, 13 St Vincent Place, Glasgow gave Power of Attorney to Messrs Hervey, Johnston & Co., of Wellington – 04 Jun 1852

[15] Aaron Joseph, 144 Leadenhall Street gave Power of Attorney to Alexander Hort the younger then of Guildford Street Russell Square Middlesex but about to proceed to New Zealand, gentleman on 13 Sep 1839 to act with regard to Wellington sections 374 & 572. On the first of June I have given a Power of Attorney to William Bowler the elder and William Bowler the younger of Wellington to act on my behalf in certain matters and who are authorised by me to apply to the local government for a grant of land under the supplementary land order issued by the New Zealand Company to which I am entitled under and by virtue of said Land orders being sections 374 & 572 – 01 Jun 1852

[16] William King, Gt Winchester Street gave Power of Attorney to Henry St Hill and William Bowler of Wellington on 13 May 1850 to act with regard to land at Wellington and Wanganui – Ordinary Land orders 109AA-113AA dated 05 Nov 1840 Part two; Certificates of Selection of Town Lands at Wanganui Nos 66-70 dated 14 Dec 1842 Sections 142, 143, 146, 1619, 1621 respectively; Certificates of Selection of Rural Land at Wanganui Nos 74-78 dated 16 Jan 1843 Sections 47, 133, 134, 135, 177 respectively – 16 Jun 1852

[17] William Knowles, Clifton near Bristol gave Power of Attorney to Henry St Hill of Wellington on 20 Apr 1848 to act with regard to Section 1622 Petre; 132 Wanganui and the land to be selected as compensation in respect thereof. In virtue of a supplementary Land order No.114AA under date of 25 Jan 1850 for 75 acres of land No.302 addressed to William Fox, Esq. – 08 Jan 1852

[18] Hugh MacAskil, Rhuendunan gave Power of Attorney to John Cameron of Wanganui on 15 May 1841 to act with regard to Wanganui Sections 73, 74 & 75 – 19 Jan 1852

[19] Kenneth MacAskil, Caebost Skye gave Power of Attorney to John Cameron of Wanganui on 04 Nov 1840 to act with regard to Wanganui Section 82 – 07 Jan 1853

[20] John Montefiore, 147 Leadenhall Street, London gave Power of Attorney to Abraham Hort Jnr who sub-appointed Alfred Ludlam, Surveyor and Land agent of Wellington to act with regard to Manawatu Section 306 (100 acres) and one Wellington town acre and also New Zealand supplementary grant 75 acres land order 327A – 03 Feb 1852

[21] George S. Ogilvie, Ridgway House near Bristol gave Power of Attorney to Alfred Fell and Henry Seymour of Nelson on 23 Aug 1851 to act with regard to land in Nelson and Wellington – Nelson Town sections 489-491 (respective orders of choice 28, 711, 464); Nelson Accomodation Sections 489-491 (respective orders of choice 339, 286, 612); Nelson Rural Sections 489-491 (respective orders of choice 1094, 250, 162) and in Wellington District – Section 385 (Town acre + 100 country acres) and 75 acres compensation land under supplementary order No.385A – 29 Jan 1852

[22] George Palmer Jnr, 11 King's Arms... London and ... Park, Walthem Cross, Essex gave Power of Attorney to Messrs Bethune & Hunter & Co., Wellington on 20 Jan 1848 to act with regard to Wellington Orders of Choice 296, 463 (Wellington Terrace), 1045 (corner of Lawrence & Coromandel streets), Country Sections 64 Porirua Harbour, 91 Upper Hutt, 154 Manawatu and Supplementary orders for 75 acres each – 296A, 463A and 1045A – numbers 77-79.

Also enclosed: Copy of letter written by George Palmer Jnr to H.M. Colonial Land Emigration Commissioners dated 05 Feb 1852. Gentleman, In forwarding to you the enclosed particulars &c of the Power of Attorney granted by me to my agents in New Zealand, Messrs Bethune, Hunter & Co., of Wellington. I beg to state that my original Land orders and duplicates for the three sections of Town Land, and three of Country Land were destroyed by fire in New Zealand when my agents House (Mr Hunter) was burnt down... will perceive by the annexed copy of a letter from the Secretary of the New Zealand Company forwarding to me certified copies of the Land orders and at the same time he informed me that my agents in New Zealand, Messrs Bethune, Hunter & Co., could obtain similar copies there from the authorities in that Country upon appl... therefore, I trust, there will be no difficulty by the Local Government in issuing to my agents the Grants of the Lands belonging to me in that Colony – more especially as I was one of the original subscribers for fitting out the expedition which formed the first settlement in New Zealand. [The annexed copy of the letter from W. Harington is also in this file]

[23] Frederick. A. Paul and Maria B. Paul his wife, 47 Westbourne Park Villas gave Power of Attorney to Charles Clifford and others of Wellington on 07 Jan 18_2 to act with regard to Wellington Section 1059 and it's associated supplementary land order for 75 acres – 07 Jan 1851

[24] Joseph Phipson, Alpha Cottage, Highgate, Birmingham gave Power of Attorney to Charles Clifford of Wellington to act with regard to Wellington Town acre belonging to Preliminary Section No.35 which I purchased of the late Joseph Somes of Limehouse, Esquire and also the Country Land belonging to Preliminary Section No.388 and also 75

acres of country land being a supplementary grant in right of the original purchase of Section 388 – 09 Jan 1852 [also letter enclosed]

[25] Harriet Pilcher and John Catchpool, No.10 Lee Street, Kingsland gave Power of Attorney to James Kelham of Wellington on 09 Jul 1852 to act with regard to Wellington Section Nos 117, 531, 794, 867, 907, 909 (Town and Country) and 201, 655, 1051, 798, 809, 810 (Town acres) and 22, 29 (Country?) – 09 Jul 1852

[26] George Thomas Pollard, Halifax gave Power of Attorney to Charles Ernest von Alzdorf of Wellington about 1843 to act with regard to Hutt Section 69 (this town acre being sold to Mr Holroyd of Wellington) – 08 Jan 1852

[27] W. Quilter, 57 Coleman St, City gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler (now) of London on 26 Dec 1851, to act on my behalf in certain matters, and that the said Power is still in force, and that the said William Bowler of New Zealand is authorised to act with regard to Wellington Sections 343 and 343A – 26 Dec 1851

[28] Alexander Shand, Minster of Nesting, Manse of Nesting, Lerwick, Shetland, Scotland gave Power of Attorney to Archibald Watson Shand, formerly residing in Wellington and presently in the Custom House of Otago to act with regard to Wellington Section 1060 – 31 Dec 1851.

Also enclosed: Letter written by Alexander Shand 31 Dec 1851... I have filled up the Schedule, all but the date of Power of Attorney which I have forgot... and that you will have the goodness to forward the England letter to my brother...

Also enclosed: Copy of letter written by Archibald Watson Shand, Manse of Nesting 31 Dec 1851. My Dear Brother, I have this day filled up and dispatch to the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners a printed Schedule filled up by me authorising you to apply to the Local Government for a grant of the Land belonging to me in that Colony of New Zealand being Section No.1060 in the Settlement of Wellington and to surrender to the Government on receiving such grant the original and counterpart of my land order and the certificate of selection. As it appears from the above... being sent me that the section above mentioned has not been as yet made over to you by the Government nor any other Section in place of it – Of course it follows that the Deed of Renunciation which I sent you in June 1850 cannot have been made available, and as I have since that time entered into the married state and have now a son of my own I leave it with you either to hold the Section for your child to whom it was made over or to hold it in trust for mine ("James Shand") it being the only legacy I can leave him. If you do so you will if he be spared, most likely in due time, get him among you in New Zealand. I leave the management to your generosity and shall be happy to hear from you at first convenience. Your mother and sisters are much as usual. I have made over the life rents of the property in... to the latter after the mother's decease.

[29] Joseph Stayner, 110 Fenchurch St gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler in February 1850 to act with regard to Orders of choice numbers 567, 689 & 419 – three Town Sections in New Plymouth orders of choice numbers 431, 423 & 201 – 13 Jan 1852

[30] C. Waring Saxton, Newport, Salop gave Power of Attorney to John Waring Saxton of Nelson, New Zealand on 08 Jan 1852 to act with regard to all matters in that Colony and is authorised by me to apply to the Local Government for a Grant of the Land belonging to me in the Settlement of Wellington – 09 Jan 1852

[31] Robert Sheppard and Frederick Augustus Sheppard, Horsham, Sussex gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon of Wellington to act with regard to Section 61 in the Town of Petre in the Settlement of Wanganui – 06 Feb 1852

[32] James Stansfield, Halifax Yorkshire gave Power of Attorney to Charles E. Von Alsdorf of Wellington to act with regard to Wellington Town Acre 196 and for Country Secion No.5 District of Kinapura in the Settlement of Wellington – 16 Jan 1852

[33] Joseph R. Templeman, 2 St Helens Place gave Power of Attorney to Messrs Kenneth Bethune & George Hunter of Wellington to act with regard to seven New Zealand Land Orders – 12 Feb 1852

No.23 One hundred Country acres Hutt Section 19

No.94 One Wellington Town acre, corner of Cuba & Ingestre Street and 100 Country acres Porirua Harbour Section 59

No.359 One Wellington Town acre, Wordsworth St, No.38 on map and 100 Country acres Upper Hutt Section 93

No.478 One Wellington Town acre, Wallace & Crawford Sts, No.722 on map and 100 Country acres Manawatu Section 77

No.866 One Wellington Town acre, Hankey Street, No.679 on map and 100 Country acres Manawatu Section 172

No.948 One Wellington Town acre, Hawker Street, No.405 on map and 100 Country acres Manawatu Section 141

No.1019 One Wellington Town acre, corner of Duppa St & Crawford St, No.1095 on map and 100 Country acres Manawatu Section 159

[34] Letter: Frederick Thompson, 5 Brick Court, Temple 16 Jun 1852. Gentlemen, In reply to your Circular of the 15th of December last I beg to inform you that I have this day posted a Power of Attorney from myself and my co-trustees (together with original land orders and the New Zealand Company's Certificate of the registration of their transfer) to Messrs Fell & Seymour at Nelson to act on our behalf in certain matters and that the said Messrs Fell & Seymour are authorised by us to apply to the local Government for a grant of the Land belonging to us in the Settlement of Nelson aforesaid being (I believe) Sections 574 Brook Street, 27 Wairau Plain and 11 Waimea West and to surrender to the Government on receiving such grant, the original and counterpart of the Land Order and the Certificates of Selection. I have also posted this day a similar Power of Attorney (together with... preliminary Land orders numbered respectively 219 & 1079 and the New Zealand Company certificate of the registration of their transfer to Mr Charles Ernest von Alsdorf at Wellington to act for myself and my co-trustees in certain matters and that the said Charles Ernest von Alsdorf is authorised by us to make all such applications and surrenders to the Local Government in respect of the land belonging to us in the Settlement of Wellington aforesaid as may be necessary...

[35] Letter: Joseph Tyrrell, Sutton Wick near Abingdon 08 Jan 1852. Gentlemen, I beg to inform you that on the twenty ninth day of August 1851 I gave a Power of Attorney to Alfred Fell and Henry Seymour of Nelson in New Zealand Merchants and Land Agents to act on my behalf in certain matters, and that the said Power is still in force and that the said Alfred Fell and Henry Seymour are authorised by me to apply to the Local Government for a Grant of the Land belonging to me in that Colony, being sections Nos 47, 59, 241 and 244 on the Surveyor General's Plan of the Town at Wanganui and Nos 76, 157 and 158 on the Surveyor General's Plan of the Right Bank of the River Wanganui and No.18 on the Surveyor General's Plan of the Left Bank of the said River in the Settlement of Wellington and to Surrender to the Government on receiving such Grant the Original and Counterpart of my Land Order and the Certificate of Selection.

Letter: Morland & Godfrey, Abingdon S., January 1852. Sir, In compliance with your letter of the 17th ultimo addressed to us on behalf of the Heir at Law of the late W. R. Tyrrell Esq., we forward the form of Letter suggested by you to the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners signed by Mr Joseph Tyrrell the Heir at Law signifying the appointment he has made of Messrs Fell & Seymour as his Agents to act for him in respect of his Land at Wellington and a similar... in respect of his land at Nelson. Mr Joseph Tyrrell some month since delivered to Messrs Fell & Seymour his Land orders

and Certificates of Selection relating to his land at Wellington but he has never had any for that at Nelson. You will oblige us by acknowledging the receipt of the letters now sent. Name at end of letter: G. Wallcot Esq.

[36] E. G. Wakefield, Reigate gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler of London on 02 Jan 1851 to act with regard to the following Sections as endorsed in the Settlement of Wellington – 03 Jan 1852

Wellington Preliminary Land orders Nos 31, 66, 78, 166, 194, 263, 302, 381, 468, 474, 544, 634, 703, 735, 746, 749, 826, 871, 886 and 914 – for one town acre and 100 rural acres each; Wellington Preliminary Land orders Nos 80, 96, 93 (50 acres only), 215, 716, 748, 822 and 876 for 100 rural acres each; Wellington Supplementary Land orders Nos 31, 66, 78, 80, 96, 166, 194, 215, 302, 381, 468, 474, 544, 634, 703, 716, 735, 746, 748, 749, 822, 826, 871, 876, 886 and 914A for 75 acres or rural land each.

[37] William White, 68 Cheapside gave Power of Attorney to Kenneth Bethune & George Hunter of Wellington on 14 May 1852 to act with regard to land in the Settlement of Wellington – Number of choice 491, number on map 904 corner of Adelaide road & Hanson & John Streets; number of choice 551, number on map 697 corner of Hargrave St & Wright St; number of choice 582, number on map 714 Wallace Street – 22 May 1852

[38] Francis Wilson, 4 Jeffreys Square gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon on 02 Nov 1848 to act with regard to... [form is blank] – 10 Jan 1852

[39] Thomas Francis Wilson, 4 Jeffreys Square gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon on 02 Nov 1848 to act with regard to... [form is blank] – 10 Jan 1852

[40] Thomas Wilson, 4 Jeffreys Square gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon on 02 Nov 1848 to act with regard to... [form is blank] – 10 Jan 1852

[41] John Wood, 127 Leadenhall Street gave Power of Attorney to Captain Charles Sharp of Wellington on 09 May 1850 to act with regard to Rural Land in the Settlement of Wellington – 06 Feb 1852

[42] James S. Westcott, 4 Cumberland Terrace, Parliament Street, Liverpool gave Power of Attorney to William Bowler of New Zealand House, London on 16 Apr 1847 to act with regard to land [noted on the back hereof] in the Settlement of New Zealand – 03 Feb 1852

Section order of choice 247 in the Settlement of Wellington owned by myself. Section in the Settlement of New Plymouth registered in my own name and of which I am sole owner. Orders of choice Nos 40, 109, 907, 1024, 1337, 1344, 1509, 1646, 2103, 2117 – ten Town Sections in the Settlement of New Plymouth registered in the name of my Smythe White (deceased) one half share of and in each of which was purchased by me of the said Smythe White on the 5th October 1840 for the consideration of sixty pounds cash paid to him his acknowledgement of the same is now in my possession and my attorney Mr Wm Bowler holds on my behalf the Land orders Nos 75 & 208. Orders of choice Nos 1854, 613, 315, 494, 1585, 1879, 429, 208, 75, 1923, 1270, 2176 – twelve Town Sections one half share in each belonging to myself. Sections in the Settlement of Nelson in which I am joint owner with Mr James Alexander Dewar of Liverpool. Orders of choice 671, 143, 595 – Town Suburban and Rural Sections – 03 Feb 1852

[43] R. H. Wood, 12 Essex St Strand gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon of New Zealand on 17 Jul 1851 to act with regard to Wellington sections 538, 123, 339, 1066 and 1068 (Town) and 53, 10, 78, 67 and 74 (Country) – 07 Jan 1852

Letter: Henry Young, Essex Street 10 Jan 1852. Gentlemen, Agreeably with your Circular of the 16th ultimo I have filled up and return to you Letters from Mr R. H. Wood and myself, informing you of the Name of our Agent in New Zealand and of the original Town and Country Sections of our Land. The Powers of Attorney given by us to Mr Brandon, our Attorney, were in the form issued by the New Zealand Company, and may not be precisely applicable since Her Majesty's Government have taken to the Land of the Company, but Mr Brandon is our Attorney for all purposes in the Colony, and I presume therefore that we need not incur the expense of preparing and sending out new Powers. With reference to the requirement contained in your Circular, I should mention that my Original Land Orders were given to my former Attorney in the Colony, Mr Hopper, who is long since dead, and that I have not received them back nor have I yet obtained my Certificates of selection. Mr Molesworth, who represented himself to be Mr Hopper's successor, made selections for me, for which he made a change which I have always been ready to pay on receiving the Orders and Certificates. Mr Wood is in the same position as myself, with this exception, that he has paid the Fees for making selection of his lands, and cannot get his Orders or Certificates.

[44] Henry Young, 12 Essex Street, Strand gave Power of Attorney to Alfred de Bathe Brandon on 17 Jul 1851 to act with regard to Wellington Town Sections 375, 162 and 393 and Country Sections 3, 12 and 343 – 07 Jan 1852

Letter dated 13 Jun 1853 William Bowler & Son

Sir, We have the honour to enclose you Land orders and other documents as per list herewith relating to Crown Grants for which we have applied. We also beg to inform you that as nearly the whole of these documents are the titles to selected Country sections, many of which we have not yet applied for; as well, as unselected original, and compensation lands; we should feel obliged by your giving us a full acknowledgement of their having been duly received.

Letter dated 13 Jul 1853 William Bowler & Son

Sir, In reply to your letter received this morning we beg to enclose Land order No.93, but the Land order No.263 was transferred from Mr E. G. Wakefield to Mr Wm. Dorset to whom the Land order was delivered - & we will make enquiry. We also beg to enclose three original Land orders belonging to Mr Joseph Bishop viz. No.100 Part 2 Country Land; No.102 Part 2 Country Land; No.103 Part 2 Country Land – which have since come into our hands. We should feel obliged by your acknowledging receipt of the above.

Letter dated 12 Sep 1853 William Bowler & Son

Sir, We have had under our consideration your letters of 2nd & 29th June explaining "that the selections we had made at Rangitiki had been previously made by Mr Swainson and that that particular gentleman's and Mr Marshall's applications were regular while ours and Mr Brandon's had a certain amount of irregularity namely insufficient tender of Land orders or Scrip and that the Land so applied for would be put up to public competition unless the applicants on either side should withdraw. We were not aware that ours was an insufficient or irregular Tender of Land orders, but under the circumstances, beg to withdraw our claim, and will thank you to return us the Land orders of the Revd V. G. Hine, Louisa Inglis, Henrietta Rentoul and our Mr Bowler the others can remain over until our Mr Bowlers return from Port Cooper.

Letter dated 10 Nov 1853 John Brown Reading, Wellington

I hereby certify that I have sold to Mr George Moore of Lambton Quay, the piece of land (20 feet) adjoining his premises on Lambton Quay - & for which an application for a Grant has been lodged by me. I request that the same may be made in his favour (if practicable) or if not that the Grant when made may be handed to Mr Brandon in our mutual behalf.

Letter dated 05 Jan 1854 Whanganui (author's signature unidentifiable)

Sir, In explanation of my purchase this day, of land, supposed to be part of Section 8, I beg to state that it is possible it may form part of any of the adjoining sections for without a survey I cannot ascertain the exact place it ought to occupy on the map. If however you will be good enough to grant the authority, I will at once employ a private surveyor, subject to the conditions expressed in the Land regulations of March 1853.

Letter dated 20 Mar 1853 W. B. Burgess, Porirua Road to Mr Fitzgerald, Esquire

Sir, Since you left Wellington for the ... the Section (No.37) on the opposite side of the New Zealand Company's old road to mine has been sold and the purchasers have been to Mr Bell and claimed to have the original boundary line viz the Company's road. When I last saw Mr Bell on the subject he told me that you had no authority to make the alteration you did to make a straight line between the Sections although previously he assured me that no alteration could take place after your survey consequently I took it for granted that as the Government Surveyor you had the power to alter the lines if not the Sectional lines which were altered at the same time from those originally set out by the Company's surveyor are incorrect too, and I may at some future period be called upon (as I now am) by Mr Bell or some other Commissioner to go back to the old lines again it may be after the lapse of some years and considerable outlay. You are well aware that I took all the pains I could to have the various lines properly set on before I commenced to fence & clear the ground which I have now done to some extent &... further the Lease &c to Mr Taylor has been remade in accordance with yours & Mr McM... survey. Oblige me therefore with a few lines by the first opportunity as you may well imagine it annoys me a good deal and say if I shall do right to enter my protest against any fresh interference or alteration with my Section as now laid and which Mr Bell told Mr McM could not be altered now it was done.

Letter dated 30 Mar 1854 Robert Park, Wanganui

Sir, I am requested by Mr D. Porter, my assistant, to ask from you leave of absence for a month, for the purpose of meeting his father, who is expected to arrive at Canterbury soon. I can better spare Mr Porter from about a month hence than later and I understand that will suit his views.

Wanganui Surveys 23 Mar 1854 Minute No.25

Section 125 Left Bank No.2 Line Alexander McGregor having purchased from McWilliams the back half of 125 Left Bank No.2 line wishes to know from the Commissioner if he can have it included in the Crown Grant with the adjoining section 124 belonging to him. Purchase by Adamson of 25 acres William Adamson not having received from Mr Commissioner Bell a receipt for the purchase of 25 acres at the back of No.26 Right Bank requests the Commissioner to notify the same to Major Durie, he not being aware of the purchase. Pay of Maori Labour Mr Park has been asked to raise the pay of the maories employed by him from 2s 6d to 3s a day. He considers that a few may be worth that sum and therefore requests the Commissioner to say wheter it shall be optional on his part to do so, for good service. Tracing for Crown Grants Mr Park has found it impossible, as yet, to prepare any tracings of Crown Grants in consequence of the demands upon his times out of doors.

Letter dated 30 May 1860 J. H. Wallace to D. Lewis

My Dear Sir, If not troubling you too much would you oblige by giving the bearer a mem of any Crown Grants that are ready for delivery for the parties, whose names I furnish on the other side. I want to take them out today or to-morrow and will bring the money for that purpose as I am making up all the agency accounts for this mail.

Mary Hodgson, Thomas Holland, Hawkey, John Haining, Charles Ibbotson, F. Ibbotson, James Kidd, A. C. Ogilvie, Samuel Page, G. T. Pollard, W. H. Rawson, John Stancliffe, Samuel Smith (Executors of), John Sutcliffe, J. Somes, Revd F. Skurray, James Stansfield, J. Abbott, James Aked, Jos. Aked & Eliz Farrar, Josh. Blakey, George Beaumont, R. E. Burroughes, William Bennett, John Burrows, H. Blakey, J. Cape, John Ca., George Cox, N. Clarke, F. Collier, William Eddleston, V. A. Eyre, T. Eyre, H. Edwards, W. B. Thompson (Executors of), Thomas Firth, J. W. Flower, Samuel Farrar, T. R. Farrar, C. & E. Farrar, Thomas Varley, Wainhouse (Executors?), Jane Whitworth, Samuel Waterhouse, C. J. Heath

Letter dated 24 Jan 1873 Homes Sunderland, A... Smith, Willis Street

Dear Sir, Will you be so kind to give all information you possibly can relative to the various numbers of Sections in the Province of Wellington that belonged to the "Greenwoods" viz James Dent Greenwood, Joseph Hugh Greenwood and George Oates Greenwood. Also the numbers of each Run that Licenses were granted to the parties named above.

Letter dated 21 May 1873 Thomas Farrah, Wanganui

Dear Sir, I am directed by the Committee of the Wesleyan Building Fund here to ask if you would favour them by ascertaining if the enclosed Deed is subject to Stamp duty of 10s or not, should it be liable will you kindly get it stamped, also will you be good enough to Register it serving me the cost which will be at once remitted by telegram order.

Letter dated 24 Jun 1873 Arthur Bat..., W. M. Bannatyne & Co., Merchants, Wellington

Dear Mr Lewis, Your memo – for Mr Bannatynes guidance in re S. R. Crawford's property. I have duly received, and I will forward it to him by the next outgoing mail.

Letter dated 08 Jul 1873 Barton Sanders, Dunedin

Dear Sir, Re Section 25 Rangitiki. We are obliged to you for extract from the conveyances Green to Winks – Winks to Wolley – and Wolley to Campion – which we received yesterday. Please however forward me the covenants for will in the Deed Green to Winks in exten... as these will be of great importance. By next mail we will forward you formal notice against the issue of the Crown Grant of this Section to Campion and requiring the issue of the Grant to Green and giving the reasons for this – until after receipt of which please delay issue of any Grant.

Letter dated 22 Jul 1873 Barton Sanders, Dunedin

Sir, We have to acknowledge receipt today of your favour of 12th July 1873 with copy conveyance from Andrew Green to Alexander Winks for which we are much obliged to you. The mistake in addressing our previous letter to the Commissioner of Crown Lands instead of to yourself was committed through inadvertence and we trust you will hold us excused for same.

Letter dated 10 Jun 1874 John M... [signature unidentifiable], Wellington

Sir, As I have been unable to come to any settlement about my land at the Manawatu with the Crown Lands Commissioner the case will come before the Waste Lands Board on Tuesday next June 18th 1874 at 12 o'clock. I have the honor to request that you will be prepared to attend and produce any papers in your possession that have reference to my case being Crown Grant No.1 Manawatu.

Letter dated 13 Jan 1874 W. Buller, Westminster Chambers, Victoria St, Westminster
My Dear Lewis, I write a hasty line to catch the outgoing San Francisco mail. Mr Halswell (son of the old Wellington pioneers of that name) has applied at this Office for information which it is not in our power to give him. In fact, I don't think there is any person but yourself who could give it. And this must be my excuse for troubling you. Mr Halswell is the holder of a quantity of Scrip issued I believe under the "Land Orders & Scrip Act 1858" exercisable within the Province of Wellington. The exemption clauses in the Native Lands Act 1862 (Section XXXI) was intended to protect the rights of selection on the part of these scrip-holders. That clause has been repealed; and Mr Halswell is anxious to petition the Assembly on this subject... to combined action, he wants the names of the other holders, whether here or in New Zealand. Will you kindly furnish this information through Mr Featherston.

Letter [with black border] dated 16 Feb 1874 George Millner, Bulls, Rangitikei
Dear Sir, I have written Mr F. G. Holdsworth to ask him if the Crown Grant for Block V.A. on the official map of the Rangitikei District for 315 acres has been issued and he reply that no Crown Grant has yet been issued for that Block, and now I take the liberty to... you to ask if you will kindly inform me when the Crown Grant will be issued for this Block. Reply will greatly oblige.

Letter dated 06 Aug 1873 Alexander Allison, Lamb Hill, Wanganui

Sir, Would you kindly inform me to whom I ought to apply for crown grants for section numbers 355 and 356 in St Hill Street and sections 457 and 458 in Harrison Street belonging to Joseph Allison who has not been heard of for twenty nine years. I have applied (as heir to my father's rights and responsibilities) in consequence of the crown grant for Section numbers 181, 182, 183 and 184 on the left bank of the Wanganui river, having been granted to my father in his brother's name, as also scrip for the same.

Letter dated 29 Aug 1873 Alexander Allison, Lamb Hill, Wanganui

Sir, I received yours of 11th August and most sincerely thank you for the great amount of trouble you have taken in my behalf. Without your assistance I could not have placed the matter before the Commissioner of Crown Lands without considerable loss of time and trouble in investigating papers and in correspondence.

Letter dated 09 Oct 1873 J. H. Gillard, Wellington

Dear Sir, Can you give me any information respecting a conveyance of a portion of Town Acre No.202 from the late Mr Gibson. This strip at the bottom of Herbert Street was secured by the holders of property therein for the purpose of maintaining a right of way from Manners Street to Dixon Street and was paid for by the holders of property in Herbert Street &c, Mr Waring Taylor, Mr Spinks, the late Mr Blythe, myself and others contributed to the cost of purchase of the above, but neither Mr Taylor or Spinks and others who are interested can remember by whom the deed was drawn up or what became of it. The motive I have in making the enquiry is, that if you could afford any light on the matter, that the property may be handed over to the Corporation of Wellington who would then consider Herbert Street as one of the thoroughfares deserving their attention, they now look upon it as a private road, although the traffic is very great & used by the general public.

Letter dated 11 Oct 1873 J. H. Gillard, Wellington

Dear Sir, I am obliged with your kindness in sending the particulars of the deeds &c of right of way in Herbert Street and hope to make use of the information in the way mentioned by me. As Mr W. Taylor has more time at his disposal than myself, I shall endeavour to induce him to take any further steps that may be necessary.

Letter dated 13 Dec 1873 Francis Williamson, Buenos Ayres Station, Waitotara

Sir, I am desirous you will give Mr Brandon the requisite information that he requires as to my title to 150 acres on the left bank Wanganui River marked 72, 72a and 73 as selected by me and to which I am entitled to Crown Grant. He informs me he has applied at the Office and has been unable to obtain any satisfactory information.

Letter dated 31 Jan 1874 Fell and Atkinson, ... Nern (letter is difficult to read)

Sir, An client, Mr Gilbat Hatfield is entitled by transfer to certain Land orders under the New Zealand Company in favour of G. & W. Scholey reorders and transfers here in 1861 sent out with a Power of Attorney to ... then living at... So far as the papers related to lands in this Province the part... issued in the name of an client and were in 1864 taken... by Sir F. D. Bell. He was given to understand that... is entitled to certain valuable lands in the Province of Wellington as well as... and he should be much obliged if you would... search in the record of your Office for any particulars concerning the matter he especially wish to know whether G. & W. Scholey... is entitled to any and what lands, and by what right and whether the papers are still in your office and if not by whom they...

Letter dated 23 Feb 1874 H. Churton, Wanganui

Dear Sir, As there will be soon some land in Wanganui open for selection, I shall be much obliged if you can tell me whether I can select my long enduring Company Land order 848 there, if so on what terms, whether I can select before the sale, as the Land I understand is to be put up at 10s per acre, can I select 200 acres for the order, or if I wait for the sale how much will the order be valued at.

Letter dated 26 Mar 1874 Wellington (signature unidentifiable)

I hereby certify that I am the Attorney of Stephen Thomas Hawtrey of New Windsor in England, clerk in Holy Orders and that the said Stephen Thomas Hawtrey is the person referred to in the Report of Mr Commissioner Bell on claim No.648 in the name of "Stephen Hawtry".

Letter dated 28 Mar 1874 G. A. Taylor, Post Office, Napier

Sir, Could you inform me if my father's name (George Taylor) appears in the Company's Land Office books, it would be in the years 1841, 1842 or 1843. I think it is No.1 Section. If his name should appear in the books would you kindly let me know as soon as convenient (expense will be no object). I was speaking to Mr Fox about it and he advised me to apply to you, as you were settling the Company's affairs.

Letter dated 29 April 1874 J. Henry Lowe, Public Works Office, Oamaru, Otago

Re Miss F. Taunton's title to land &c. Dear Sir, You kindly promised me any further information in your power relative to the above in addition to the Memo you were good enough to hand me and which has been of service. Can you inform me whether there is any record of sale of Sections 108 and 168 Wanganui River 100 acres each – either in your office or the Registration office. I understand the Misses Taunton also had land at "Rangitikei". Is this the same as sections above quoted, or an additional property? If so – was this ever sold by Mr Bowler - & to whom & at what price – and what were the numbers of sections. Your kind reply to these enquiries will be esteemed a great favour by me on behalf of my friend Miss Fanny Taunton.

Letter dated 16 May 1874 G. A. Taylor, Post Office, Napier (letter is difficult to read)

Dear Sir, I received your letter dated 7th and I am very much obliged to you for the in full [info]mation you gave me in reference to my land as I can give you satisfactory information as to the Claim I am making my mother is heir and she can let you know all about it and I will come down in about three months and see you and you can see if there is anyone else by the name of George Taylor and the section is on the Porirua road and Mr Parks surveyed the land and was paid four pounds by my mother and just before he died he told my mother he would get the deeds made out and he did before he died if you think the land should be advertised now there is time for me to see before I come down you know best the...was bought of the Company in London before the titles was granted and my father died and my mother never looked after it and I have been away. I cannot give you any more information... Dear Sir, if you can render me any assistance I... of your charge as I am the owner of the section on the road my father bought 100 acres and had a town allotment and he had not sufficient money for the land and he gave up the town acre... the Payment of the land on the road where you say but I think there is some mistake in the number of the years and... but... I will let you know all...

Letter written 09 Jun 1874 Under Secretary Crown Lands

Sir, I have the honor by direction of the Honourable the Acting Secretary for Crown Lands to forward you the enclosed copy of a letter received from Mr Wesley Turton relative to a Grant to Anne Swainson for Section 1018 Wellington City, and to request you will be so good as to favour me with your remarks thereon.

Letter written 27 May 1874 Wesley Turton, Queenstown

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that some considerable time ago – I am instructed 18 months or two years – papers were lodged with the Commission appointed to enquire into claims to land purchased through the Old New Zealand Land Company for the purpose of having a Grant issued for Section 1018 City of Wellington. I have been informed that the Grant will be issued in the name of Anne Swainson but when that will happen is the question. I enclose a copy of a letter I addressed to the Commissioner on 6th April last which remains unanswered and have to request that you will be good enough to instruct that gentleman to let me know how the matter stands. I would not trouble you on a matter of this sort were it not for the facts that the papers have been lodged so long, in my letter to the Commissioner remaining unanswered and the injury I am sustaining by not being able to deal with the land. I may mention that the Section has been devised to my wife Anne Swainson.

Letter written 06 Apr 1874 Wesley Turton, Queenstown

Sir, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform me when the Crown Grant of Section 1018 City of Wellington will be ready for issue. I believe the Grant will be in the name of “Anne Swainson” and will be handed over to the person shewing a proper legal authority to receive it. I claim to be the person to receive the Grant through my wife (late Annette Elizabeth Swainson). An early reply will oblige as I am desirous of dealing with the property.

Letter dated 05 Aug 1874 Town Clerks Office, Wellington (signature unidentifiable)

Sir, I am directed by Mr Hester, Town Clerk to ask you to be kind enough to fill in the names of the owners of the acres attached and oblige.

Acres 1039, 1040, 1013, 1009, 1023, 1052, 1054, 1089, 1090, 1093, 1083, 1084, 1074, 1078, 1014, 1011 – L. H. Luxford

Acres 1092 – Montifiore; 1051 Catchpool; 1035 Harrison; 1042 Hunter

Letter dated 06 Aug 1874 Joseph Turley, Surveyor, Napier

Sir, I am requested by Mr G. A. Taylor to reply to the enquiries suggested by your letter of the 7th April. I have had an interview with Taylor's mother, and from her I have gathered the following particulars; the late George Taylor purchased the Land in London in 1841 and landed in Wellington in 1842. The Agents of the New Zealand Company I understood Mrs Taylor (a very aged person) to be at, at that time Messrs Alston and Meyers, London. Deceased was a discharged soldier of the 72nd Highlanders and was entitled to one hundred acres of country land (and one Town acre) situate in the Porirua Road, Wellington and was called Lot No.2 the adjoining owner being a person of the name of Clifford. Mr Park surveyed the lot in 1842 and subdivided it into four sections. Taylor died in Sydney on the 5th October 1843. The present G. A. Taylor was born at the Hutt in 1843. I am afraid you will think the information contained in the above is still rather vague but contains all I could gather from the old Lady in the course of a very long, and tedious conversation. The family do not appear to be in possession of any documents that would throw any more light upon the subject, other than what is contained in this letter. I may say that I have no pecuniary interest in the matter at all, but have known Mr Taylor for some years, and if there is any probability of the claim being sustained, should be glad to render him any assistance in my power. I should be obliged if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this, and supply me with any further particulars you may be in possession of.

Letter dated 16 Aug 1874 Richard Hammond, York Farm, Marton

Sir, The only information I can give you regarding the piece of land part of No.2 Porirua Road is I bought it from Sir Charles Clifford and sold it to Mr Izard Solicitor any other information you may require I think Mr Brandon may be able to give you.

Letter dated 28 Aug 1874 J. G. Allan, Odd Fellows Hall, Wellington
Dear Sir, I called this morning... you in reference to a claim of Mr Alfred Halswell of London to some land in Wellington under a settlement by his father Frederick Thame Halswell but was so... as to find you out. I will come... at 12 o'clock to have a talk with you about the matter.

Letter dated 31 Aug 1874 James Bruce Wallace, C. Moody & J. B. Wallace, Engineers & Surveyors, Commission Agents, Wellington
Dear Sir, I am in receipt of your favour of the 29th many thanks

Letter dated 02 Sep 1874 J. G. Allan, Odd Fellows Hall, Wellington
Dear Sir, Re Haswells Claim. Enclosed I sent you notice on behalf of Mr Alfred Halswell of London not to part with the Crown Grants for the lands to which his Father was entitled to any other person than his Mr A. Halswell's agent.

Letter dated 02 Sep 1874 J. G. Allen
As the agent and acting for Mr Alfred Halswell of 15 Grays Square London, son of the late Mr Frederick Thame Halswell. I hereby give you notice not to deliver up the Crown Grants for the lands in the Province of Wellington which the said Frederick Thame Halswell was entitled under the four land orders numbered 868, 920, 1002 and 1088 to any person but myself or some other lawfully authorised agent of the said Alfred Halswell as the said Alfred Halswell claims such lands under a deed of settlement of his father dated the 28th day of December 1858 and deposited by me with you.

Letter dated 07 Oct 1874 C. Heaphy?, Wellington
Under what act would the sections purchased from Dightons – 120 & 121 Upper Hutt – properly re granted? Is there not a special act existing for completion of the New Zealand Company contracts. It matters not, I take it, whether it be granted to Dightons or to Hemi Parai, so long as it is in fulfilment of such contract.

Letter dated 27 Nov 1874 Wellington (signature unidentifiable)
Sir, Understanding that Mr McPhee claims a Grant of a portion of Wadestown to which Mr Angus McLeod is entitled under a conveyance from Mr W. B. Rhodes I as representing Mr McLeod do hereby protest against Mr McPhee having such grant and request that the Grant of the land claimed by Mr McLeod and purchased from Mr Rhodes be issued to him. Mr Rhodes, Mr McLeod together have been in possession of the land since 1842.

Letter dated 10 Dec 1874 W. H. Levin, Wellington
Dear Sir, I am obliged to you for the receipt for documents relating to Town acre 277. Herewith I forward claim for the above acre.

Letter dated 11 Apr 1863 Robert Hart, Solicitor, Wellington
Dear Sir, Sins of omission plague as well as sins of commission. For want of looking into matters and pressing... promises of Mr F. D. Bell late Commissioner remain unperformed to my great discredit. The enclosed Draft will explain the circumstances and the enclosed plan will shew the land as sold to Dr Colquhoun. The object is to obtain title to the little three cornered piece of land between Mr... and the road which the draft Crown Grant shews to have been cut out of it. Mr Bell some years back promised to see to this. It seems the Government... the greater part of the land in McDonald's or Tod's grant and this little piece probably with the rest. What I have been desirous of learning is who now has the title under the Crown grant who can convey to Dr Colquhoun this small piece?

This Deed made the _ day of _ 1864 between Francis Dillon Bell of the City of Auckland in the Colony of New Zealand Esquire of the one part and Archibald Colquhoun some of Wellington in the same Colony but now of Glasgow in Scotland Dr of Medicine of the

other part whereas the said Francis Dillon Bell some years since became on behalf of the Government of the said Colony a purchaser of... piece of land henceafter described to the intent so far as affects the same piece of land to fulfil the contract of the New Zealand Company with the purchase And whereas in the month of January 1853 one Thomas Henry Fitzgerald was entitled under or by virtue of a certain contract with the said Company to the Town Acre in Wellington numbered 586 and Crown Grants of such are excepting the said hereinafter described land were on the 16th day of January 1853 made to the said Thomas Henry Fitzgerald but by reason of the legal estate of and in this hereinafter described piece of land being then outstanding the same was not then granted to him And whereas by Deed dated the 10th day of April 1854 and made between the said Thomas Henry Fitzgerald of the one part and the said Archibald Colquhoun of the other part after reciting among other things that the said Thomas Henry Fitzgerald was equitably entitled to a Grant of the piece of land thereinafter secondly described (being the said piece of land hereinafter described). This expressed that for the considerations therein mentioned the said Thomas Henry Fitzgerald did convey and assure unto the said Archibald Colquhoun his heirs and assigns secondly the piece of land hereinafter described And whereas the said Archibald Colquhoun hath applied to and requested the said Francis Dillon Bell to execute the conveyance to him hereinafter contained now this Deed witnesseth that for the considerations... and in consideration of the sum of 5s sterling to the said Francis Dillon Bell at and or before the execution hereof paid by the said Archibald Colquhoun the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged. He the said Francis Dillon Bell doth hereby convey and assure unto the said Archibald Colquhoun his heirs and assigns all that triangular piece of land situate in the town of Wellington being part of the town section numbered 586 but comprised in the Grant to Alexander Macdonald and which same piece of land is bounded towards the West ninety three links by other part of the same section towards the north east ninety five links by the waer course there and towards the South east by the private Road there 12 links wide part of the road excepted out of the land so sold to the said Archibald Colquhoun as the same piece of land is more particularly delineated in the margin hereof together with the appurtenances. Provided always that the covenants for title to be herein implied are restricted to the protection of the said Archibald Colquhoun his heirs and assigns from the effect of acts deeds or defaults by the said Francis Dillon Bell his heirs or assigns.

Memorandum dated 01 Mar 1880

To the Commissioners under the Manawatu Land Orders Act. I hereby direct your attention to Gazette No.18 of the 26th ultimo in which appears the notification of your report upon the claim of Robert Edleston.

Letter dated 15 Jan 1880 Thomas Hirst, New Plymouth

Dear Sir, I beg to inform you that I have sent by this post (registered) a Declaration &c of Robert Edleston respecting the Manawatu Section. I hope this will be sufficient for the purpose of obtaining the scrip. Please inform me in reply at your earliest convenience.
