

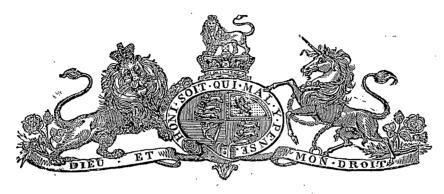
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## SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC LANDS & WORKS.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Laid on the Table by Mr. Anstey, and ordered by the House to be printed, 11 February, 1857.



Anstey Barton, 27th January, 1857.

Sir,

I have the honour to tender to Your Excellency the resignation of my office of Secretary of Public Lands and Works.

At the time of my accepting the office I entertained the impression that its creation, as also the supersession of Mr. Power, the Surveyor-General, with a retiring allowance of £500 per annum, in accordance with the recommendation of the late Legislative Council, would receive the ready assent of Parliament. The discussions, however, which have taken place in both Houses lead me to believe that my retention of office will very probably be attended with some reduction in the retiring allowance proposed to be granted to Mr. Power; and, as it would be most unsatisfactory to me to enter upon office under arrangements calculated to be detrimental to the interests of the Public Officer whom I should be the cause of displacing, I have decided upon sending in my resignation, and respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to accept the same.

I have, &c.

H. F. ANSTEY.

His Excellency SIR H. E. F. YOUNG, &c. &c. &c.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 29th January, 1857.

SIR,

I AM directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, tendering the resignation of your office of Secretary of Lands and Public Works; and, in reply, I am to acquaint you that His Excellency, with much regret, accepts your resignation, and desires me at the same time to express his thanks for the advice and assistance which you have afforded his Government.

I have, &c.

W. CHAMP.

The Honourable H. F. Anstey, Esq., M.H.A., Anstey Barton, Oatlands. Ordered to be printed, 11 February, 1857.

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