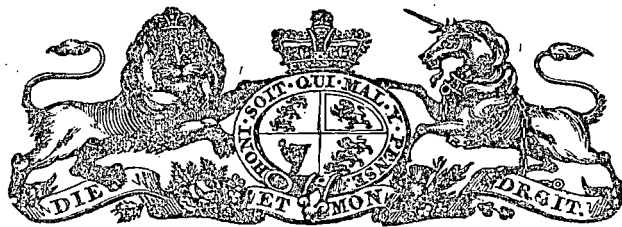


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*Government House, Hobart Town, 20th September, 1860.*

(No. 106.—MILITARY.)

MY LORD DUKE,

I HAVE the honor to inform Your Grace that Addresses, to which I have assented, have been presented to me from both Houses of Parliament, praying the Governor to move the Colonel Commanding the Troops "to afford every assistance to the Volunteer Corps throughout the Colony, by placing at the service of the Volunteers such Buildings as may be required by them for Orderly Rooms and Drill Practice, with the use of Batteries and Guns, and such other Military Stores as may be required."

I trust Your Grace will move the War Department to express its approval of all reasonable accommodation (not required for the detachment of Her Majesty's Regular Forces in the Island) being given to the Volunteer Military Force of the Colony.

I have, &c.,

H. E. F. YOUNG.

*His Grace the DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.*

*Government House, Hobart Town, 21st September, 1860.*

(No. 109.—MILITARY.)

MY LORD DUKE,

REFERRING to my Despatch, No. 106, of the 20th instant, forwarding the Parliamentary Address on the accommodation and assistance to the Volunteer Force of the Colony expected from the local Military Authorities, I have now to report that, just before the Mail closed to-day, I received copy of Colonel Broughton's letters to the War Department of the 19th and 21st instant, on the subject of a Commissariat Store or brick building at Launceston, which, with my Responsible Advisers, I expected to retain for Colonial uses, and more especially for the use of the Volunteer Force in that part of the Island, until it should be urgently required to be returned for Military purposes on grounds more cogent than those set forth by the Colonel.

I regret to say that I have tried in vain to the utmost of my power, both orally and by correspondence, to bring the Colonel practically in this case into coincidence of opinion with the local Government, and with the spirit of the Parliamentary Address.

I find it impossible to send the enclosures before the next Mail, but I forward a Memorandum on the subject, in which my Advisers concur.

I shall communicate it also to the Major-General Commanding; and hope to receive, through Your Grace's intervention with the War Department, authority to place the Store at Launceston at the disposal of the Volunteer Force.

I have, &c.

H. E. F. YOUNG.

*His Grace the DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.*

(No. 132.—EXECUTIVE.)

*Government House, Hobart Town, 19th December, 1860.*

MY LORD DUKE,

I HAVE the honor to inform Your Grace that Colonel Broughton has ceased to be a Member of the Executive Council.

His determined opposition to the Governor, Ministry, and Local Parliament, as shown in his conduct respecting the unoccupied Commissariat Store at Launceston required for Volunteer and Colonial purposes, has made the retention of his seat an inconvenient anomaly, as not being in concert with his Colleagues the Governor and Council.

This was long tolerated while he had the plea of professional duty. Since, however, the Major-General's instructions relieved him of responsibility on this score, my Ministry felt that, without interfering in any way with the Military question of non-compliance with the General's instructions, his continuance as our Colleague in the Civil Service was quite inconsistent with the harmony required among the Members of a Responsible Government; and recommended me to revoke his nomination to the Executive Council, which was accordingly done on the 8th instant. I subjoin the Government Notice.

I think it superfluous to specify the tone of disrespect to the Governor, or to dilate on the frivolous and vexatious grounds which persistently obstructed the concession to the Colonial Government of the continued temporary use of the Launceston Commissariat Store; for they are evident on perusal of the correspondence herewith enclosed.

I have, &c.

*His Grace the DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.*

H. E. F. YOUNG.

*Government House, Hobart Town, 19th September, 1861.*

(No. 86.—MILITARY.)

MY LORD DUKE,

WITH reference to my Despatch, No. 81, of 9th September, on the Army Estimates for 1862-3, I have the honor to transmit a copy of my letter of the 10th instant to Major-General Pratt, Commanding the Forces, forwarding a correspondence on the publicity which had been given in the enclosed local newspapers to the proceedings of Lord Herbert's Committee on those Estimates by Colonel Broughton, the Officer commanding the Troops here, as a Member of the Committee, requesting that these papers may be referred to the War Department.

I have, &c.,

*His Grace the DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.*

H. E. F. YOUNG.

*Government House, Hobart Town, 19th September, 1861.*

(No. 87.—MILITARY.)

MY LORD DUKE.

I HAVE the honor to enclose a series of printed Parliamentary Papers, containing Correspondence following that forwarded with my Despatch, No. 132, of the 19th December, 1860, produced at present, as it was then, at the instance of Colonel Broughton, contrary to my expressed wishes.

With these I send Votes and Proceedings of Parliament, and manuscript copies of Correspondence, with the Major-General Commanding, at the instance of my Responsible Advisers, in whose views I concurred.

I presume Your Grace will communicate these documents to the War Department.

I have, &c.,

*His Grace the DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.*

H. E. F. YOUNG.

*MEMO. of Enclosures to the foregoing Despatches.*

No. 106—2 Enclosures.

1 and 2. Addresses of Legislative Council and House of Assembly.  
Journals L.C., No. 31. H.A., No. 34.

No. 109—1 Enclosure.

The Governor's Memorandum.

No. 132—Enclosures.

Minutes of Executive Council, Nos. 343 and 346, with enclosures; viz.—

Adjutant-General, Taranaki, to Colonel Broughton, 31st October, 1860.

Colonel Broughton to the Aide-de-Camp, 28th November, 1860.

Colonial Treasurer to Colonel Broughton, 3rd December, 1860.

Colonel Broughton's Reply, 3rd December, 1860.

Paper No. 108, December, 1860.

Director of Public Works to Colonial Treasurer, 11th December, 1860.

Telegram—the Mayor of Launceston to Mr. Falconer, 10th December, 1860.

Telegram—Mr. McCracken to Mr. Falconer, 10th December, 1860.

No. 86—Enclosures.

Correspondence (4 letters) and *Mercury* of 10th September, 1861.

No. 87—Enclosures.

1 to 5. Journals L.C., Nos. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, of 1861.

6 to 10. Ditto H.A., No. 43 of 1860; Nos. 17, 18, 19, 20 of 1861.

11 to 13. Papers H.A., No. 108 of 1860; Nos. 59 and 62 of 1861.

14. The Governor to Major-General Pratt, 3 September, enclosing Minute from the Ministry.