

Colonial Treasurer – Inwards Correspondence 1845

From the Sub-Treasurer, Wellington
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1845/16 06 Feb 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the statement transmitted by me on the 27th Dec last respecting the amount due by Mr MacDonogh for Auction Duties and Licenses to Auctioneers was not correct. The statement which I then sent was taken from the Receipt Book of sums paid to Mr MacDonogh; but, I found on examination of the Auctioneer's Accounts that the amounts paid to him did not agree with the amounts due.

Amount due per accounts	£347 16s 3d
Amount paid per Receipt Book	£340 2s 6d
Difference	£7 13s 9d
A. Hort Jan to May, Jul, Sep 1843	£36 16s 3d
W. Fitzherbert Jan to Dec 1843, Jan 1844	£29 5s 3d
... Bethune Jan to Dec 1843, Jan to May 1844	<u>£71 14s 9d</u>
Total of Duties	£137 16s 3d
Three Auctioneer's Licenses in April 1843	£90
Four Auctioneer's Licenses in April 1844	<u>£120</u>
Total due	£347 16s 3d
Paid on account of this sum on 27 Dec 1844	<u>£190</u>
	£157 16s 3d
Salaries for quarters ending 30 Sep & 31 Dec 1844	<u>£70 deduct</u>
Due to Government on 06 Feb 1845	£87 16s 3d

Memo: Mr Hort's accounts for August and June 1843 were given in at Taranaki and his accounts from October 1843 to March 1844 inclusive are still due, no sales however were effected by him during that period, and he states that he shall render in a few days the accounts now in arrear.

No payments for the residue due to Government have been tendered from Mr MacDonogh since the 27th December last.

1845/17 06 Feb 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that Charles E. Von Alzdorf, Publican, Wellington has this day paid into my hand the sum of £2 10s being the residue of the amount due by him for a Night License up to 30th June 1845, he having paid me £7 10s on the 8th November 1844.

1845/18 06 Feb 1845

Sir, I have the honor to transmit herewith the Counterparts of the Books of Debentures transmitted to me per your letter of the 2nd January last No.45/1. I have also in accordance with the Instructions contained in that letter made out a return of the particulars of the issue. From the demands for salary and contingent expenses I was unable to remit any of the amount recovered from you (£500) to the Sub-Treasurer Nelson. I paid away the five shilling debentures first; and you will perceive by the date of the £1 notes that the whole had been paid away on the 21st January.

1845/19 19 Mar 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that I have paid to C. B. Robinson Esq., Sub-Treasurer, Akaroa the sum of £30 sterling to enable him to liquidate the expenses of his District for the quarter ending December last; receipts for which sum in your favour per my hands I have the honor to enclose.

1845/20 01 Mar 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the Collector of Income and Property Rate has this day paid me the sum of 1s sterling. The amount payable to the Treasury should have been £165 12s instead of £165 11s and reported in my letter of yesterday's date, difference of amount one shilling.

1845/21 01 Apr 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the sum of £52 1s 6d has been this day paid to me by John Macarthy Collector of Income and Property Rate for the District of Wellington, being the amount of collections less the commission for the month of March 1845.

1845/22 28 Apr 1845

I have the honor to transmit herewith Debentures amounting to the sum of £4 sterling, which debentures are unfit to be issued; numbers and amounts under viz.
No.2821 (10s), No.1098 (5s), No.4884 (5s), No.1821 (5s), No.1559 (5s), No.2408 (£1), No.527 (£1), No.1016 (5s), No.2954 (5s) – Total £4

1845/23 19 Feb 1845

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo No.45/4 directing me to pay by an Imprest; in my capacity of Sub-Treasurer, the Customs Department for the quarter ending 10th October 1844 and 5th January 1845 also the Duties returned. The same letter authorises me to pay full salaries to Mr Rennie and Mr Taylor for the above quarters. In the receipt which I give I shall include the amounts already withheld from Mr Rennie and Mr Taylor for each quarter respectfully.

Quarter ending 10 th October 1844	
Amount withheld from Mr Rennie	£15
Amount withheld from Mr Taylor	£6 5s
Amount previously paid	£155 8s 2d
Amount to be included in the receipt	£176 13s 2d

Although the salaries and contingencies for the quarter ended 5th January 1845 had been paid I withdrew the abstracts on the receipt of your letter and have given a receipt for the sum by Imprest of £220 5s 8d. I also enclose receipts for the sum of £547 10s being the amount of Customs Revenue refunded.

As I am unable to obtain fresh Vouchers for the money refunded in consequence of several of the ... to whom payment was made having left the Colony; I shall put ... by having the triplicate retained in your office handed over to the Collector of Customs.

1845/24 01 May 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the sum of £28 1s 8d have been this day paid to me by John Macarthy, Collector of Income and Property Rate for the Wellington District being the amount of Collections (less commission) received by him from the 1st to 30th April 1845 inclusive.

1845/25 16 Jul 1845

Sir, Referring to yours of 28 April last, No.18 Clause C, I beg to enclose in Duplicate, the required receipts from Mr Thomas Fitzgerald. I beg further to enclose the Accounts relating to that ..., referred to in your Minute of 25 January last (also returned herewith) and I trust you will now find the Accounts amended to your satisfaction.

1845/26 22 Jul 1845

Sir, I have the honor to send you, prefixed, a copy of a letter which I have received from Mr Samuel King, Police Magistrate at Petre, dated the 1st instant, intimating that none of the persons who had applied for Certificates at the Annual Licensing meeting of the Magistrates of that District, had paid their Licence Duties.

Petre 01 Jul 1845

Sir, I have to apprise you that neither A. Smith or W. J. Holder to whom Certificates were granted at the Annual Licensing meeting for 1845 – 6 have lodged the money with me. They both decline on the ground of the recent proceedings of the Legislative Council as indicating the abandonment of this Settlement and its consequent decline. I have given Notice to each party that their Certificates are void to remove their Sign Board, and of the Penalties on the retail of Spirits &c.

1845/27 03 Aug 1845

Sir, I have the honor to transmit, enclosed, the sum of £8 15s consisting of worn out and defaced Debentures, as per the Note of the same in margin for which sum I have taken credit in my accounts for the period ending 31st ultimo.

No.296 (5s), No.2650 (5s), No.4591 (5s), No.3349 (5s), No.2451 (10s), No.5174 (5s), No.2185 (10s), No.5286 (5s), No.5480 (5s), No.253 (£5), No.416 (£1) – Total £8 15s

1845/28 05 Aug 1845

Sir, With reference to my letter of 27th June last, No.1, forwarding a copy of a letter from the Manager of the Union Bank of Australia, him declining to repatriate the fourteen Colonial fund Debentures sent with your letter of 9th June, I have the honor to inform you that on the 22nd ultimo I received a requisition from His Honor the Superintendent to furnish him with the sum of £547 8s for the purpose of paying the Wellington Battalion of Militia to the 21st ultimo. I had previously acquainted His Honor of the nature of your instructions regarding the Fund Debentures and of the Union Bank's having declined to discount them, and of my consequently being without sufficient funds to enable me to make so large a disbursement on account of the Militia. His Honor, however, assured me that he had made such arrangements as would enable him to pay the Militia by means of the £50 fund Debentures. As this seemed to be the principle object to which you intended the fourteen fund Debentures to be applied, I conceived that I was carrying out the spirit of your instructions by issuing the required amount of them to the Superintendent; which I accordingly did; making up the balance of the sums required by the Captains of the respective companies in ordinary Debentures, the amount of £97 8s. I have learnt from His Honor that he did not succeed in his expectations of paying the Militia by means of the fund Debentures; so that I am at present unable to forward the pay lists with any accounts. As ... filled in the dates of issue previous to issuing the £50 Debentures, I presumed you will favour me with some instructions as to whether I can receive them again at this Sub Treasury, and what form should be adopted should you so direct.

Letter from M. Richmond to P. D. Hogg, Sub-Treasurer, Wellington 22 Jul 1845

Sir, By virtue of the authority conveyed in the sixth paragraph of His Excellency The Governor's instructions to the Superintendent of the Southern Division – Extract annexed – I do myself the honor to request that you will advance to me the sum of £547 8s being the amount required for the payment of the Wellington Battalion of New Zealand Militia to the 21st instant inclusive.

[3] Letter from M. Richmond 23 Jul 1845

Received from the Colonial Treasurer by the hands of P. D. Hogg Esq., nine Colonial Fund Debentures of £50 each Nos 1/9 inclusive and £97 8s New Zealand Government making a total of £547 8s

£247 8s for the purpose of defraying the Pay of the Wellington Battalion of Militia from the 24th June to the 21st July 1845 but, as it proved impossible to negotiate the £50 Debentures in Wellington they still remain in my hands and the Militia unpaid.

Extract – Clause 6 “The Superintendent is hereby authorised and required to demand from the Sub Treasurer such sums as may be authorised by the Governor or Officer administering the Government for special Public purposes, or for unfixed or unforeseen contingencies which it may be absolutely necessary to defray immediately, without the delay of such a reference to the Head of the Local Government as is to be made in all usual and ordinary cases wherein the expenditure of Public Money is concerned and the Superintendent will take especial care that full and explicit vouchers in every instance accompany the record or explanation of every such transaction, and that a report of each case is forwarded to the Governor by the earliest opportunity.

1845/29 05 Aug 1845

Sir, I have the honor to forward to you, herewith, the counterparts of the following Debentures forwarded with your letters of 29 April and 03 June last, and which have been issued at this Sub Treasury viz

Nos 2401 to 2650 inclusive of £5 each	£1250
Nos 4001 to 4250 inclusive of £1 10s each	£125
Nos 5001 to 5500 inclusive of £1 each	£500

I also forward, enclosed, a Statement of Debentures issued by me from 16 May to 31 July 1845 inclusive.

1845/30 05 Aug 1845

Sir, I have the honor to acquaint you that I have this day forwarded (originals) my Account Current and Vouchers in a Packet addressed to you, enclosed in a Box of official papers addressed to A. D'Arch Esq., Collector of Customs, Auckland, whom I had requested to forward the same to you. I shall send duplicates by next good opportunity.

[Enclosure: Statement of Debentures paid away by Peter Dods Hogg, Sub Treasurer Wellington from 16 May to 31 July 1845 inclusive]

1845/31 08 Aug 1845

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 30th ultimo, No.45/32. In the absence of any instructions from you, I was at a loss how to act with respect to Debentures on which a year's interest had become payable. To have withdrawn such from circulation would have been seriously inconvenient, as a very considerable sum had been paid into the Sub Treasury in Debentures of this description. By the conditions expressed in the body of the Debentures it appeared to me that it was the intention of Government that they should continue in circulation for a period of two years, or otherwise... therein expressed; the Bearer being entitled to receive interest at the rate of £5 per cent per annum, from the date of issue. All that I considered requisite, therefore, was, to guard against the possibility of Interest being allowed a second time. For this purpose, I had a stamp made, with the words “one year's interest paid” engraved upon it; after stamping the Notes with which, I re-issued them. I shall now, so soon as practicable, proceed to carry out your instructions by calling in as many as possible of the Debentures that I have so re-issued, and by discontinuing the re-issue of such as Interest... But I fear cannot be done until I am in possession of some... funds, which is not at present the case. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Debentures, to the amount of £500 (forwarded with your letter above acknowledged) viz., one book of £1 Debentures Nos 7251 to 7500 (£250) and two books of 10s Debentures Nos 5501 to 6000 (£250) – total £500. I return the Counterparts of these herewith. I regret that any delay had occurred in your receiving my acknowledgement of the Debentures transmitted with your letters of 3rd and 9th June last viz., £1's - £500, Fund Debentures 1 to 14 £700. I trust you have long since received my receipts for these sums per *Falco*. Although I was labouring under serious indisposition during the time the *Vixen* was here, I should have certainly acknowledged the receipt of the money by that vessel had I not been assured that the *Joseph Cripps* (whose destination was suddenly changed) would in a day or two after the *Vixen*.

1845/32 27 Jun 1845

Fourteen £50 Debentures and negotiation with the Union Bank of Australia

1845/33 27 Jun 1845

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 3rd instant and of five hundred Government Debentures transmissible therewith.

1845/35 29 Oct 1845

Returning Audit queries

1845/36 22 Sep 1845

For supply of forms, interest and vouchers

1845/37 22 Sep 1845

Acknowledging receipt of remittance per *Lady Leigh* £1500 in Debentures.

1845/38 22 Sep 1845

Sir, Referring to your letter of 28th July and 27th August last so far as relates to the subject of payment of salary to Mr Macarthy as Harbour Master at this Port, I have the honor to inform you that on the 15th ultimo, I paid Mr Macarthy the sum of £21 14s 5d being the sum payable to him from 6th January to 31st March 1845, including as Harbour Master, in terms of your letter of 28th July. By the tenor of your letter of 27th August I understand it to have been the intention of His Excellency the Governor that Mr Macarthy should receive at the rate of £200 per annum for the quarter ended 31st March last. But as both your letters specify that Mr Macarthy should receive salary as Harbour Master from the 6th and not the 1st of January, I am at a loss how to bring the difference of £1 5s 7d to account. May I request the favour of your instructing me on this point.

1845/39 02 Oct 1845

Acknowledging receipt of Remittance per *Victoria* £1500. Reporting transmission to Nelson of £250.

1845/40 07 Oct 1845

Respecting amount of Property Rates omitted to be brought to charge.

1845/41 09 Oct 1845

Duplicates of letters per *Falco*

1845/42 09 Oct 1845

Estimate of amount required to meet demands on the Sub Treasurer

1845/43 27 Nov 1845

Replies to Audit queries

1845/44 10 Oct 1845

Sir, I have the honor to enclose an account to Joseph Marriott for making and furnishing a stamp for the purpose of stamping &c...

1845/45 19 Nov 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that I have this day forwarded to His Honor the Superintendent of this District for transmission to you two packets containing respectively originals and duplicates of my Accounts Current and vouchers for the months of August and September last. The sum of £3 of Debentures retired from circulation on being defaced is enclosed in the packet containing the original copies of the Accounts.

1845/46 26 Nov 1845

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the only funds at present in this sub-treasury consist of £450 in Fund Debentures which I cannot render available for payments. The claims on the sub-treasury now payable including £200 for the Union Bank and £165 for Akaroa with contingencies &c unpaid amount to about £450 to £500. The amount that will be required for salaries and contingencies on 31st December next will be about £1200 to £1300 making together with the above sum about £1800. I cannot estimate the revenues that may be received between this time and 31st December beyond £300; so that there will probably be required from £1400 to £1500 to make up the requisite sums at that period.

PS I will make a point if needful, to arrange for the paying the whole or the greater portion of the £165 for Akaroa to Mr Watson, before he sails, to prevent undue inconvenience to Mr Robinson, who is about to leave Akaroa.
