Mr. Clark

There is a hitch in our Trustee ship, one of the Trustees refuses to sign says he is too old to. Will this necessitate fresh papers? Let us know what to do.

The people up here are greatly excited over the elections. Circular Head goes for Gibbin. Meredith's proposal of £2 an acre land tax frightened the T. O. L. Co. Therefore they are using all their influence to keep out opposition from Wellington.

I suppose there will now be a general election, if there is I fancy the present Ministry will be even worse off, for nearly all will continue their scheme of taxation and only the fear of
Balfour, they do not keep them from backing up a new with the proposal.

Many intelligent men approve of the Opposition policy of an Income Tax, but they shrink from putting into office some of the lights of the Opposition. I heard one influential man say he would oppose Balfour, but for that reason.

I should like to see a strong government of progressive ideas men with confidence in the future of the colony who would try and push us ahead. Now is the time we want good laws to regulate Mining and crown Lands, something liberal, not something to take money out of our pockets just as he wants to tax us.

If your side come in I hope you will have good men who will try to carry what they believe in, not temporize.
with the colony. I would like to see us not have a war. Keiley, Becher, Lewis, Clark, Crowther.

Mr. Palmerman told me the other day that he liked your speech on the Taranto as well as any delivered in the debate.

Mr. Anderson, S. W. of Circular Head, a staunch Ministerialist, an intelligent fellow. Unmarried man told me today that he was very much pleased with your parliamentary speech, but disliked your Longford one, do you see old man the eyes of the public are upon you.

Don't you get carried on party. I think party spirit is The Curse of Tasmania, and politics much a struggle between us and ours and if every Ministry persists in more party fights sooner or later they will lose their majority, witness the Gladstone Government and
Now the sign of the end of Derry.

No statesman has yet propounded the policy that will regenerate Nicaragua, so your party have now a good chance to distinguish themselves. The mines are going ahead, and settlement is increasing, and if it continues a few years longer we shall be all right. We ought to push ahead our mines as much as possible; they are of far more importance. Nicaraguan newspaper legislation and British interests. Californian Bootleggers, Hospital Buoys etc. Lots of country yet unvisited, placer, more minerals to be found.

I am doing the round of these parts before Tamas.

Remember me to your good lady.

Yours faithfully,

Chas. Sprunt