

No. 20.

DESPATCH No. 13.—24th February, 1872.—Conferring the honor of the Order of St. Michael and St. George on Mr. William Fitzherbert and Mr. Julius Vogel.

Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(New Zealand, No. 13.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 24th February, 1872.

I have the honor to acquaint you that I have had great pleasure in submitting the names of William Fitzherbert, Esq., late Colonial Treasurer of the Colony of New Zealand, and Julius Vogel, Esq., now holding that office to Her Majesty, for the honor of the Third Class, or Companions of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, and that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve of that recommendation.

The grant of the dignity with the insignia will be conveyed to those gentlemen by the Secretary of the Order.

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G., &c., &c.

I have, &c.,
KIMBERLEY.

No. 21.

DESPATCH No. 80.—21st September, 1872.—Recommending Messrs. William Fox, Julius Vogel, C.M.G., Donald McLean, C.M.G., and William Gisborne to retain the title of "Honorable."

Copy of Despatch from Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G., to the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY.

(No. 80.)

Government House, Wellington, New Zealand,

MY LORD,—

21st September, 1872.

In conformity with the established practice, I have the honor to recommend that the following members of the late Ministry of New Zealand—namely, Messrs. William Fox, Julius Vogel, C.M.G., Donald McLean, C.M.G., and William Gisborne, may receive Her Majesty's gracious permission to retain the title of "Honorable."

2. It will be remembered that Mr. Fox has taken an active and prominent part in the public affairs of this colony almost since its foundation. He has been at the head of three Colonial Administrations, and has acted as Premier altogether for nearly six years. Each of his recent colleagues who are named above has been a member of the Executive Council for more than three years.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley.

I have, &c.,
G. F. BOWEN.

No. 22.

DESPATCH (General).—27th November, 1872.—Notifying that the honor of Knighthood had been conferred upon Mr. F. D. Bell.

Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(New Zealand, General).

SIR,—

Downing Street, 27th November, 1872.

I have the honor to inform you that I have had great satisfaction in submitting to the Queen the name of Mr. Francis Dillon Bell, Speaker of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, for the honor of Knighthood, and that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to sanction the grant of that dignity to Mr. Bell.

The patent of Knighthood will proceed through the Home Office as soon as it shall have been intimated by Mr. Bell, through you, by whom the necessary charges will be paid. They will amount to about £115.

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G., &c., &c.

I have, &c.,
KIMBERLEY.

No. 23.

DESPATCH (General).—9th December, 1872.—*Re* certain members of the Fox Ministry to retain the title of "Honorable"—Messrs. William Fox, Julius Vogel, C.M.G., Donald McLean, C.M.G., and William Gisborne.

Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

(General.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 9th December, 1872.

I have received your Despatch No. 80, of the 21st September last, recommending that Messrs. William Fox, Julius Vogel, C.M.G., Donald McLean, C.M.G., and William Gisborne, late members of your Ministry, should be allowed to retain the title of "Honorable."

In reply I have to request that you will inform these gentlemen that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve of their retaining the title of "Honorable" within the Colony of New Zealand.