

House of Representatives of the said colony, or by Proclamation, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same:

And whereas a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said colony, intituled "An Act to regulate the Immigration of Chinese," was presented to the Officer Administering the Government of the said colony, for Her Majesty's assent:

And whereas the said Bill was reserved by the said Officer for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:

And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by Her Majesty:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of the said Act, and in exercise of the power thereby reserved to Her Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present order, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, declare her assent to the said Bill.

EDMUND HARRISON.

No. 16.

(No. 4.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 13th February, 1882.

I have the honor to transmit to you an Order of Her Majesty in Council assenting to a Bill passed by the Legislature of New Zealand, and reserved by you for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, intituled "An Act to amend 'The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867,'" a transcript of which was enclosed in Sir J. Prendergast's Despatch No. 39, of the 1st of October last.

I have, &c.,

Governor the Hon. Sir A. H. Gordon, G.C.M.G.,

KIMBERLEY.

&c., &c., &c.

Enclosure in No. 16.

At the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 6th day of February, 1882.

Present: The QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY, LORD PRESIDENT, LORD STEWARD, Secretary
Sir WILLIAM VERNON HARCOURT.

WHEREAS, by an Act passed in the session held in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand," it is, amongst other things, declared that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New Zealand until the Governor of the said colony shall signify, either by Speech or Message to the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said colony, or by Proclamation, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same:

And whereas a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said colony, intituled "An Act to amend 'The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867'" (45 Vict., No. 48), was presented to the Officer Administering the Government of the said colony, for Her Majesty's assent:

And whereas the said Bill was reserved by the said Officer for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:

And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by Her Majesty:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of the said Act, and in exercise of the power thereby reserved to Her Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present order, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, declare her assent to the said Bill.

C. L. PEEL.
