

1882.
NEW ZEALAND.

DISSOLUTION AND MEETING OF PARLIAMENT

(PAPERS RESPECTING THE).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

No. 1.

The PREMIER to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Memorandum for His Excellency.

THE Premier presents his respectful compliments to the Governor; and advises His Excellency to sign the Proclamation, forwarded herewith, dissolving Parliament.

Wellington, November 8th, 1881.

JOHN HALL.

No. 2.

His Excellency the GOVERNOR to the PREMIER.

THE Governor has received Mr. Hall's memorandum, recommending him to dissolve Parliament.

A dissolution at the present moment is not unattended with some objections. The Government has, since the prorogation, engaged in transactions which may lead to events rendering an early appeal to the Legislature indispensable. During the interval which elapses between the dissolution of one Parliament and the election of another, such an appeal is necessarily impossible.

On the other hand, the Governor cannot but take into account the fact, that less inconvenience will be caused to the public by a general election at the present season than at any other; nor does there appear any reason to anticipate any popular desire for a re-assembling of the present Parliament, or any serious apprehensions that circumstances will arise to call for such a step.

His Excellency, moreover, is bound to assume that his Advisers are sensible of the moral obligations which such a suspension of the functions of the Legislature imposes on the Executive Authority: and he consequently sees nothing to preclude him from assenting to the proposal of an immediate dissolution of the present Parliament.

Government House, Wellington, 8th November, 1881.

A. H. G.

No. 3.

The PREMIER to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Memorandum for His Excellency.

THE Premier presents his respectful compliments to the Governor; and advises His Excellency to sign the enclosed Proclamations:—1. Declaring that the issue of the writs has been directed; 2. Summoning the Parliament to meet on Thursday, the 22nd December next.

Wellington, November 8th, 1881.

JOHN HALL.

No. 4.

The PREMIER to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Wellington, 14th December, 1881.

HIS Excellency the Governor is respectfully advised to sign the attached Proclamation proroguing the General Assembly.

JOHN HALL.