details; but I have every reason to hope that an understanding based on sound principles, and making satisfactory provision for many matters of interest to the colonies, will shortly be arrived at.

I have, &c.,

DERBY.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

## Enclosure in No. 58.

(Telegraphic.)
TRANSMIT following telegram to Governor New Zealand and other Australian Colonies, and Scratchley: "Her Majesty's Government have agreed with Germany following boundary New Guinea: Starting on the coast near Mitre Rock on eighth parallel, following this parallel to degree 147 east longitude, thence straight line to the north-west, to where sixth parallel cuts 144, thence west-north-west to where fifth parallel cuts degree 141. This line calculated to approximate watershed and divide territory nearly equally."

## No. 59.

(New Zealand, No. 35.)

Downing Street, 12th June, 1885.
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 57,

A.-1, Nos. 42 and I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 45.

See post, No. 65. of the 25th April, respecting the bank notes obtained from Mrs. Townsend.

The first halves of the notes have been duly received and forwarded to the Home Office.

I have, &c.,

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G., C.B., &c.

DERBY.

## No. 60.

(New Zealand, No. 36.)

A.-1, No. 44.

Sir,— Downing Street, 23rd June, 1885.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 62, of the 25th April last, relating to the defence of New Zealand by vessels of war.

In a recent despatch\* I have communicated to you the scheme for naval defence for the colonies, which is recommended by Her Majesty's Government, and which, it is hoped, may be found acceptable to the Government of New Zealand. In the meantime I have to acquaint you that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have given orders to the Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Station, directing him to send vessels to visit New Zealand whenever the requirements in other parts of the station admit of it.

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G., C.B., &c. DERBY.

No. 61.

(New Zealand, No. 37.)

Sir,— Downing Street, 23rd June, 1885.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information and for that of your Government, copies of the *London Gazette* of the 19th instant containing a notification of the arrangement agreed upon between the Governments of Great Britain and Germany as to the boundaries of the possessions of the two countries in New Guinea.

I have, &c.,

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G., C.B., &c.

DERBY.

## Enclosure.

Downing Street, 18th June, 1885.

The following arrangement has been agreed upon between the Governments of Great Britain and Germany as to the boundaries of the possessions of the two countries in New Guinea: The point on the north-east coast of New Guinea where the 8th parallel of south latitude cuts the coast forms the boundary on the coast, and a line described as under determines the boundaries inland of

<sup>\*</sup> Awaits further communication promised by telegram.—W. F. D. J. 27th August, 1885.