

- (a.) Counterpart surrender of license of Suwarrow Island, dated the 20th June, 1904.
- (b.) Original license of Suwarrow Island, dated the 13th February, 1905.
2. The license of the 10th August, 1892, and the assignment of the 30th June, 1899, are also forwarded herewith, as requested in paragraph 4 of your despatch.
3. The costs of the Crown for the issue of the new license will still be three guineas, which may be paid to the Agent-General for New Zealand.

I have, &c.,
PLUNKET.

The Right Hon. A. Lyttelton, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 25.

(No. 13.)

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 21st March, 1905.

With reference to your despatch (General) of the 5th January, I have the honour to inform you that the Orders desired by the Army Council will be supplied.

I have, &c.,
PLUNKET.

The Right Hon. A. Lyttelton, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 26.

(No. 22.)

SIR,—

Government House, Auckland, 21st April, 1905.

I have the honour to inform you that my Government desire me to communicate with you concerning the disposal to the New Zealand Government of discarded 15-pr. B.L. Mark IV. guns.

2. It is computed that fourteen guns of the above-mentioned description will be required to complete the re-armament of field batteries in New Zealand.

3. As these guns are being replaced in England by others of an entirely different pattern, my Ministers think that they would probably be practically useless to the Home Government, and suggest that the latter might possibly see fit to let the colony have them at a reduced price, or even at a nominal charge.

I have, &c.,
PLUNKET.

The Right Hon. A. Lyttelton, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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