No. 1.

(No. 22.)

Government House, Wellington, 15th April, 1904. SIR,-

Referring to your despatch circular, dated the 21st January, 1904, with regard to an extension of the maximum amount for which single money-orders between the United Kingdom and this colony can be issued, I have the honour to inform you that my Government have no objection to the increase of such maximum from £10 to £40. I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. A. Lyttelton, M.P.,

RANFURLY.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 2.

(No. 23.)

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A.-2, 1904, No. 35.

Government House, Wellington, 16th April, 1904.

With reference to your despatches on the subject of malaria investigation, I have the honour to inform you that my Government, after careful consideration, have decided that, as there is no malaria in New Zealand, it is not considered advisable that they should contribute to the same.

I have, &c.,

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

No. 3.

(No. 35.)

Government House, Wellington, 13th May, 1904.

With reference to your despatch (New Zealand, General), dated the 16th March, 1904, transmitting copies of an Order in Council applying to "The Colonial Solicitors Act, 1900," to this colony in respect to England, I have the honour to inform you that my Government have learnt with much satisfaction that the Colonial Solicitors Act has been extended to New Zealand. The Order in Council has been gazetted, and other steps will be taken to insure due publicity.

I have, &c.,

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

No. 4.

(No. 42.)

Government House, Wellington, 6th June, 1904.

With reference to your despatch (New Zealand, Circular), dated the 15th March, 1904, on the classification and uses of finger-prints, I have the honour to inform you that the system of identification of criminals by means of finger-prints was introduced in the Police Department of this colony in April, 1903, and has already proved a considerable success.

Mr. Henry's system was adopted, and his treatise on the subject utilised.

I have, &c.,

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

No. 5.

(No. 47.)

Government House, Wellington, 23rd June, 1904. SIR.-

I have the honour to inform you of my safe arrival in New Zealand on the 20th instant. My Ministers desire me to give the following account of the day's proceedings:-