

No. 31.

New Zealand, No. 130.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 16th July, 1914.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 29th May, No. 237, forwarding copies of a Merchant Shipping Bill which has been introduced into the House of Commons to enable His Majesty's Government to give effect to the provisions of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea.

2. With regard to the wish expressed in the concluding paragraph of your despatch, I beg to refer you to the observations conveyed in my despatch, No. 87, of the 21st May, from which you will have learned that my Government do not consider it advisable that New Zealand should adhere to the convention, at any rate for the present.

3. My Ministers inform me that they still adhere to that opinion, and that in these circumstances they do not propose to take steps to introduce into the New Zealand Parliament a Bill on the lines of the Imperial Merchant Shipping (Convention) Bill, 1914.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 32.

New Zealand, No. 137.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 24th July, 1914.

With reference to your despatch, No. 87, of the 20th February, and to my despatch, No. 77, of the 6th May, on the subject of the copyrighting of works of which the country of origin is Italy, I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copies of an Order in Council, dated the 29th June, 1914, made in this Dominion in connection with the matter.

I have, &c.,

LIVERPOOL,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Enclosure.

Modification of Order in Council under Section 33 of the Copyright Act, 1913, in so far as it relates to Italy.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-ninth day of June, 1914.

Present: HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Order in Council dated the twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, and published in the *Gazette* of the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting under the authority conferred on him by section thirty-three of the Copyright Act, 1913 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), has extended the said Act, *inter alia*,—

- (a.) To works first published in Italy, in like manner as if they had been first published within New Zealand;
- (b.) To literary, dramatic, musical, and artistic works the authors whereof were at the time of the making of the works subjects or citizens of Italy, in like manner as if the authors had been British subjects;
- (c.) In respect of residence in Italy, in like manner as if such residence had been residence in New Zealand,—

subject to the provisions set out in the said Order:

And whereas it is, *inter alia*, provided in the first proviso to clause (2) of the said Order that paragraph (d) of subsection two of section three and section twenty-five of the said Act, and such other provisions thereof as confer upon the owner of the copyright in a literary, dramatic, or musical work the exclusive right of making any record, perforated roll, cinematograph film, or other contrivance by means of which the work may be mechanically performed, and such other part or parts thereof as confer copyright in any record or perforated roll, shall not apply in the case of any work of which the country of origin is Italy: