

2. "That this Conference desires to call the attention of overseas Governments to the great lack of scientific literature in some of their scientific institutions, and to urge them to remedy this defect where it exists."

3. "That this Conference strongly urges the need for further facilities for research in forest pathology in all its aspects, and for closer co-operation between forest pathologists, executive forest officers, and other silviculturists."

I have, &c.,

J. H. THOMAS.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 30.

New Zealand, No. 202.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 29th October, 1924.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's despatch, No. 185, of the 5th September, and to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a despatch to the Belgian Ambassador regarding the withdrawal of New Zealand from the International Customs Tariff Bureau as from the 31st March, 1926.

I have, &c.,

J. H. THOMAS.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Foreign Office, S.W. 1, 23rd October, 1924.

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of New Zealand have decided that as little use is made in New Zealand of the publications of the International Customs Tariff Bureau, the benefits derived by New Zealand from membership do not warrant the expenditure incurred. For this reason the Government of New Zealand desire to notify that they will withdraw from the International Union for the Publication of Customs Tariffs as from the 31st March, 1926.

I have, &c.,

R. H. CAMPBELL.

His Excellency Baron Moncheur, G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 31.

New Zealand, No. 204.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 29th October, 1924.

With reference to Your Excellency's telegram of the 31st July, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a summary of the Proceedings of the Geodetic and Geophysical Congress held in Madrid during October, which has been drawn up by the General Secretary of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics.

I have, &c.,

J. H. THOMAS.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon.
Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

THE Second Conference of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics held its final meeting yesterday to adopt the reports of the various sections, and to decide the place of the next meeting. Of the twenty-seven countries which belong to the Union twenty-five were represented by delegates, of whom one hundred and thirty were present. Reports on the work which had been done during the past three years were received and discussed in each of the sections, geodesy, seismology, meteorology, terrestrial magnetism, oceanography, volcanology, and hydrology, and many special communications were read on these subjects.