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TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

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No. 1.

New Zealand, No. 1.

Sir,—

Government House, Wellington, 4th January, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 480, of the 25th September last, relative to the request of the Mexican National Irrigation Commission for information regarding rural buildings in British possessions, I have the honour to transmit to you, at the instance of my Ministers, eleven copies of plans of cottages which are erected by the Public Works Department in New Zealand.

2. Ministers state that some of these plans are considered to be out of date in this country, but that they may suit the purposes of the Commission better than the more up-to-date and consequently more expensive type in use at the present time.

> I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 2.

New Zealand, No. 3.

Government House, Wellington, 4th January, 1929. With reference to your despatch, No. 204, of the 3rd October last, Sir,relative to marriage-certificates of British subjects in Switzerland, I have the honour to inform you, on the advice of my Ministers, that the form of certificate suggested meets the case so far as the New Zealand marriage law is concerned, as the law in New Zealand on the subject is the same as in England.

> I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 3.

New Zealand, No. 14.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 25th January, 1929.
With reference to your despatch, No. 248, of the 8th December last, forwarding an invitation to the Dominion of New Zealand to be represented at the First International Hospital Congress, to be held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, in June, 1929, I have the honour, at the instance of my Ministers, to ask that you will be so good as to express this Dominion's thanks for the invitation, and to intimate that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand regret that they cannot see their way to be officially represented at the Congress.

> I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

No. 4.

New Zealand, No. 18.

SIR,-Government House, Wellington, 26th January, 1929.

I have the honour to inform you that I duly referred to my Ministers for their consideration, your despatch, Dominions No. 540, of the 12th November, and the enclosures thereto, relating to the desire of the Royal Commission on National Museums and Galleries to obtain certain information as to artistic, scientific, and literary collections abroad.

2. Ministers now advise me that steps are being taken to compile the particulars required in respect of New Zealand, and that these will be transmitted to you as

soon as they are complete.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 5.

New Zealand, No. 23.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 4th February, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, No. 243, of the 30th November last, conveying an invitation from the Swedish Government to His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to be represented at the International Congress of Forestry Research Stations to be held at Stockholm in July, 1929, I have the honour to inform you that my Ministers would be grateful if you would be good enough to cause a reply to be sent to the Swedish Minister in London to the effect that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand, while appreciating to the fullest extent the invitation of the Swedish Government, regret that they will be unable to be represented at the Congress.

> I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 6.

New Zealand, No. 24.

Sir.— Government House, Wellington, 4th February, 1929.

With reference to your despatch of the 6th November last, Dominions
No. 528, conveying to His Majesty's Government in New Zealand an invitation from the French Government to be represented at the First International Sanitary Aviation Congress, to be held at Paris in May, 1929, I have the honour to inform you, at the instance of my Ministers, that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand, while appreciating to the fullest extent the invitation of the French Government, regret that it will not be possible for them to send a representative to attend the Congress on behalf of New Zealand.

2. Ministers add that they would be much obliged if you would be good enough to cause a reply to be sent on these lines to the French Ambassador in

London.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

No. 7.

New Zealand, No. 30.

Government House, Wellington, 4th February, 1929. SIR,—

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 562, of the 26th November last, on the subject of a form of rear-wheel suspension devised with the object of rendering six-wheeled vehicles specially suitable for traversing, when necessary, difficult surfaces, such as are likely to be encountered in cross-country operations, I have the honour to inform you, at the instance of my Ministers, that so far no mechanical motor transport has been manufactured in New Zealand, although a certain amount of body-building is undertaken.

2. Ministers add, however, that steps have been taken for the information

contained in the despatch to be furnished to all firms interested.

I have, &c.

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 8.

New Zealand, No. 33.

SIR,-Government House, Wellington, 5th February, 1929.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Dominions No. 561, of the 26th November last, transmitting a copy of a despatch from the Prime Minister of the Commonewalth of Australia regarding the question of exempting from payment of estate duties in the United Kingdom objects of national, scientific, historic, and artistic interest which are sold to public institutions in other parts of His Majesty's Dominions.

2. Ministers, to whom your despatch and its enclosure were referred, note that His Majesty's Government in Great Britain have had this matter under consideration, and that they propose to introduce legislation to effect such exemption when a con-

venient opportunity arises.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 9.

New Zealand, No. 38.

SIR,-

Government House, Wellington, 13th February, 1929. With reference to your despatch, No. 180, of the 5th September last, enclosing copy of a note from the Netherlands Legation conveying an invitation to His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to send a representative to the forthcoming Pacific Science Congress, to be held in the Netherlands East Indies in May next, I have the honour to inform you that my Government is pleased to accept the invitation, and has decided that Dr. J. S. Maclaurin shall act as its representative.

2. Dr. Maclaurin holds the position of Dominion Analyst, and is the head of the Dominion Laboratory Branch of the Department of Scientific and Industrial

Research.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON. Governor-General.

No. 10.

New Zealand, No. 39.

SIR,-Government House, Wellington, 18th February, 1929.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 249, of the 8th December last, and to ask that you will be so good as to convey to His Majesty's Government in the Irish Free State an expression of the thanks of my Ministers for the set of new coins of the Irish Free State which accompanied your despatch. I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 11.

New Zealand, No. 45.

Government House, Wellington, 25th February, 1929. SIR,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Dominions Treaty No. 81, of the 2nd October last, transmitting, for the information of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand, copy of the resolutions passed by the Commission on the Carte du Monde au Millionième, which met in London on the 14th and 16th July under the presidency of General Nicola Vacchelli, to consider certain questions raised by the International Geographical Congress held at Cairo

2. With reference to the second paragraph of the despatch, my Prime Minister states that the proposal to fix the annual subscription to the Central Bureau at £10 sterling or its equivalent, in place of the original annual subscription of 150 francs as fixed by the International Conference held in Paris in 1913, meets with the approval of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 12.

New Zealand, No. 48.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 26th February, 1929.
With reference to your despatch, No. 242, of the 30th November last, regarding the applications made to the Public Record Office, London, by the Alexander Turnbull Library, Wellington, and the Canterbury Public Library, Christchurch, for any printed pamphlets relating to New Zealand which may be available, I have the honour to inform you that my Ministers would be pleased to receive all the documents which are not required by the Public Record Office. of these, Ministers state that the position could be explained to the two libraries interested and their requirements met as far as the material coming to hand permits.

2. In your despatch under reply, reference is made to Lord Crewe's despatch, No. 81, of the 16th April, 1909, which referred to twenty-five volumes of correspondence from 1840 to 1855, and mentioned the probability of the number of volumes being increased as the process of examining and checking the correspondence of the Colonial Office at the Record Office was proceeded with. The twenty-five volumes referred to have been received in this Dominion, and His Majesty's Government in New Zealand would be grateful for such volumes as are now available.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON.

Governor-General.

No. 13.

New Zealand, No. 51.

Government House, Wellington, 4th March, 1929. Sir,-

With reference to your despatch of the 28th December last, No. 259, enclosing copy of a despatch from His Majesty's Ambassador at Washington in which an invitation is communicated to His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to be represented at a Pan-Pacific Surgical Conference to be held at Honolulu in August, 1929, I have the honour, at the instance of my Ministers, to ask that you will be so good as to express the thanks of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand for the invitation, and to say that they regret they will be unable to be officially represented at the Conference. I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON.

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 14.

New Zealand, No. 61.

SIR,---Government House, Wellington, 12th March, 1929.

With reference to my despatch, No. 283, of the 30th October last, relative to the Fourteenth International Agricultural Congress, which is to be held in Roumania in May next, I have the honour to inform you, on the advice of my Prime Minister, that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand desire to be represented at the Congress, and that the High Commissioner for New Zealand in London has been requested to arrange for the nomination of a delegate.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 15.

New Zealand, No. 78.

Sir,-

Government House, Wellington, 27th March, 1929. With reference to your despatch, No. 35, of the 28th January, enclosing translation of a note from the German Ambassador regarding the proposed visit to New Zealand of Professor J. W. Mannhardt, of the University of Marburg, I have the honour to inform you that the New Zealand Government will be pleased facilities to Professor Mannhardt in the direction desired.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON.

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 16.

New Zealand, No. 95.

Government House, Wellington, 18th April, 1929.

SIR,-I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Dominions No. 62, of the 5th February, regarding a course of study arranged by the Prison Commissioner for officers engaged in the administration of prisons overseas.

2. Ministers ask that an expression of their thanks may be conveyed to the Prison Commissioners for their invitation, but that it is regretted that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand will not be able to take advantage of the opportunity I have, &c., so kindly afforded.

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

No. 17.

New Zealand, No. 111.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 4th May, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 41, of the 22nd January last, relative to a request made by the French Ambassador to be furnished with copies of laws and regulations concerning the protection of national parks in the various parts of the British Empire, I have the honour to transmit, at the instance of my Ministers, the following information in respect of national parks in New Zealand:—

2. National parks of the Dominion are at the present time seven in number, and comprise areas as under:—

Name of Park.	Approximate Area in Acres.	
1. Tongariro		149,470
2. Egmont		79,000
3. Hooker Glacier		38,000
4. Tasman Park		97,800
5. Arthur's Pass		150,000
6. Otiro Gorge		17,000
7. Sounds (Fiordland)		2,266,000

In addition, there is the Peel Forest Park, of approximately 1,200 acres. This reserve is one for the preservation of natural scenery, but for practical

purposes it may be regarded as a national park.

3. The Tongariro, Egmont, and Peel Forest Parks are controlled by special Boards appointed under the provisions of the Tongariro National Park Act, 1922, the Egmont National Park Act, 1924, and the Peel Forest Act, 1926, respectively. Copies of these enactments are enclosed, together with copies of by-laws issued by

the Tongariro and Peel Forest Boards.

4. The other parks mentioned in the list are public reserves subject to the provisions of Part I of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928. This enactment, a copy of which is enclosed, is a consolidation of the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908, and its amendments, together with a new Part dealing with national parks. Hitherto, with the exception of the enactments relating to Tongariro, Egmont, and Peel Forest, there have been no statutory provisions dealing specifically with national parks; and those parks in respect of which a special Act has not been passed have accordingly been subject to the general law contained in the Public Reserves and Domains Act. However, Part III of the 1928 Act contains special provisions for the creation and protection of national parks, and the appointment of Boards of Control, and these provisions will be made use of in the future.

5. At the time of writing, steps are being taken to bring under the provisions of the said Part III the whole of the Otira Gorge Park, together with some 56,000 acres of the Arthur's Pass Park and various areas of forest reserves and Crown land in the locality. The combined area will be known as the Arthur Pass National Park, and a special Board will be appointed to have the control and management.

6. Ministers desire me to add that should further information be desired on any particular point they will be glad to arrange for it to be furnished on request.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 18.

New Zealand, No. 118.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 14th May, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 120, of the 14th March, regarding the Third Imperial Entomological Conference, which is to be held in London in 1930, I have the honour to inform you, on the advice of my Ministers,

that the question of the representation of New Zealand at the Conference is receiving consideration, and that in the meantime it is desired that the Managing Committee of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology may be thanked for its invitation to His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to be represented at the Conference.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 19.

New Zealand, No. 135.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 2nd June, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 99, of the 26th February last, relative to the desire of the Registrar-General to be furnished with certain particulars for use in connection with the revised editions of (a) "Abstract of Legal Preliminaries to Marriage in the United Kingdom, in India, and in the British Dominions beyond the Seas," and (b) "Abstract of Arrangements respecting Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Great Britain, Ireland, the Islands of the British Dominions beyond the Seas," I have the honour to forward herewith, in duplicate, at the instance of my Ministers, freshly typed paragraphs setting out the information required in respect of New Zealand.

2. In regard to the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa, these matters are

governed by the following legislation:—

Marriages: Part X, Samoa Act, 1921, as amended by the Samoa Amendment Act, 1926.

Births and Deaths of Europeans: Registration Ordinance No. 6 of 1920, as amended by Ordinance No. 22, of 1921.

Births and Deaths of Natives: Board of Health Regulations published at page 31 of the Annual Report upon the Administration of Western

Samoa for the Year ended 31st March, 1923.

3. Two copies of each of the publications mentioned above are forwarded herewith, with the exception of the annual report for the year ended 31st March, 1923. Ministers regret that no further copies of this report are available, and the Board of Health Regulations have not been published elsewhere. No doubt, however, copies of this report will be already available to you.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 20.

New Zealand, No. 136.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 2nd June, 1929.

With reference to your despatch of the 16th April last, Dominions No. 164, relative to an inquiry by the Italian Ambassador as to the Customs treatment of provisions and equipment embarked by foreign yachts, I have the honour to inform you, at the instance of my Ministers, that yachts under the Italian flag visiting ports in the Dominion of New Zealand in the course of their voyages are allowed to ship without payment of Customs duty, for exportation to places outside New Zealand, provisions and equipment which have been imported into New Zealand.

2. Ministers add that reasonable quantities of stores for use exclusively for consumption on board while the yachts are in New Zealand waters are allowed to be

shipped without payment of Customs duty.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 21.

New Zealand, No. 145.

Sir,— Government House, Wellington, 20th June, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, No. 45, of the 4th February, relative to the age-limits imposed on candidates for the Civil Service, I have the honour to inform you, at the instance of my Ministers, that in connection with candidates for employment in certain grades of the Public Service in New Zealand in which an age-limit is imposed His Majesty's Government in this Dominion are prepared to give effect to the provision referred to in the despatch—namely, to allow candidates to make a reduction from their age in respect of whole-time service in the Army, Navy, or Air Force.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Sidney Webb, M.P., Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 22.

New Zealand, No. 205.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 21st August, 1929.

I have the honour to refer to your predecessor's despatch, Dominions No. 189, of the 6th May, relative to the planting of trees at the tomb of Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

2. My Ministers state that owing to transportation difficulties, necessitating frequent handling *en route*, it is very doubtful whether any tree seedlings from New Zealand would reach Nanking in a sufficiently good state to enable their successful planting at the tomb.

3. His Majesty's Government in New Zealand are, however, desirous of acceding to the request of the Chinese Government as far as possible, and instructions will be issued to the State Forest Service to forward to His Majesty's Consul-General at Shanghai packets of seeds of the more important indigenous forest trees of New Zealand—viz., kauri, totara, white-pine, rimu, &c.,—as it is considered that seedlings from these can probably be raised in nursery beds in China and subsequently transplanted as desired.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 23.

New Zealand, No. 206.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 21st August, 1929.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your predecessor's despatch, Dominions No. 171, of the 23rd April last, enclosing a specimen set of the "Bulletin of Empire Study," issued at the time of the British Empire Exhibition of 1924 and 1925.

2. My Ministers have asked me to convey to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom an expression of appreciation of their action in forwarding these bulletins, and to state that 150 sets are being ordered for supply to the largest public primary and technical schools of this Dominion.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

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No. 24.

New Zealand, No. 207.

Government House, Wellington, 21st August, 1929. My Lord,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 187, of the 20th June, enclosing for transmission to the Victoria University, Wellington; the University of New Zealand, Wellington; and the University of Otago, Dunedin, invitations to be represented at the celebration of the bicentenary of the University of Havana.

2. Arrangements have been made by my Ministers for the invitations to be forwarded to those concerned. I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 25.

New Zealand, No. 215.

Government House, Wellington, 26th August, 1929. My Lord,

With reference to your predecessor's despatch, Dominions No. 220, of the 29th May last, dealing with industrial standardization, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship, on the advice of my Prime Minister, that the questions raised in the despatch are of increasing importance to this Dominion.

2. His Majesty's Government in New Zealand agree that a special conference on the subject would be advantageous, but in order to consider fully the proposals submitted in Mr. Amery's despatch the Prime Minister desires to convene a meeting of interests concerned in New Zealand. He adds that the Government will deal with the matter sympathetically, and that a reply to the proposals will be sent to you after the meeting referred to has been held.

> I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 26.

New Zealand, No. 227.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 6th September, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, No. 216, of the 11th July, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand note, with satisfaction, the appointment of Mr. L. A. Paish, O.B.E., to the position of His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in New Zealand in place of Mr. L. B. Beale.

2. Ministers state that they will be very pleased to afford all facilities to Mr. Paish in the discharge of his official duties.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 27.

New Zealand, No. 230.

Government House, Wellington, 13th September, 1929.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's despatch, No. 178, of the 12th June last, on the subject of the inquiry of the Swiss Minister as to the regulations in force in this Dominion regarding the entry of Swiss nationals.

2. My Ministers advise me, in reply, that under the provisions of the Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1920, persons who are not of British birth and parentage, as defined by that Act, are not allowed to land in New Zealand unless they are in possession of permits authorizing them to do so, issued by the Customs Department. Application for a permit to enter New Zealand as a permanent resident must be made in the prescribed form and signed by the applicant, and be sent by post from the country of origin of the applicant or from the country where he has resided for a period of at least one year prior to the date of the application.

3. It is therefore necessary for intending immigrants of Swiss nationality to make application in the prescribed form, three copies of which are enclosed, and forward therewith the certificates of health and character and the photographs required by the form. On receipt of applications advice is sent whether permits

can be granted.

4. Provision is made in the law to allow persons requiring permits to pay temporary visits to New Zealand for the purpose of business, pleasure, or health. Temporary permits are normally restricted to a period of six months, but may be extended if the proper authorities consider that the circumstances warrant such action. A deposit of £10 is required in respect of such temporary permits, and is returned on the departure of the visitor if the conditions of the temporary permit are complied with.

5. The following are the Acts and regulations relating to immigration

restriction in force in New Zealand:-

(a) Immigration Restriction Act, 1908.

(b) Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1910.

(c) Undesirable Immigrants Exclusion Act, 1919.

(d) Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1920.
(e) Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1923.

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(f) Regulations under the Immigration Restriction Act, 1920; gazetted on the 14th January, 1921.

(g) Amending Regulations under the Immigration Restriction Acts;

gazetted on the 24th February, 1927.

(h) Declaration to be made by persons arriving in New Zealand; gazetted on the 24th February, 1927.

(i) Additional Regulations under the Immigration Restriction Acts; gazetted on the 14th July, 1927.

Three copies of each of the above-mentioned documents are enclosed.

6. It is necessary, of course, for persons of Swiss nationality arriving in New

Zealand or Western Samoa to be in possession of valid passports.

7. The provisions of Part I of the Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1920 (the Part which relates to the granting of permits), are in force in Western Samoa, with the modification that the terms "The Minister of Customs" and "an officer of Customs" are construed as meaning the Administrator of Samoa.

8. Any Swiss national desiring a permit to enter Western Samoa should make application in the prescribed form (referred to above) to the Administrator of

Samoa, Apia, who will advise him whether a permit can be granted.

9. Under the provisions of the Overseas Passenger's Landing Deposits Ordinance, 1925, three copies of which are enclosed, persons who land in the Territory of Western Samoa (with the exception of certain persons set forth in such Ordinance) are required to deposit with the Collector of Customs a sum not exceeding £50, to cover any expense which may be incurred in transporting them to the place from which they came or to some other place outside the Territory where they will be permitted to land.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

No. 28.

New Zealand, No. 241.

Bureaux.

O,— Government House, Wellington, 27th September, 1929. With reference to your predecessor's despatch, Dominions No. 584, of the 11th December last, and to my despatch, No. 194, of the 16th August, relative to the participation of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand in the various research bureaux established as a result of the Imperial Agricultural Research Conference, 1927, I have the honour to inform you, on the advice of my Ministers, that the following gentlemen have been nominated to act as local correspondents in the subjects named:

1. Soil Science .. Mr. T. Rigg, M.A., M.Sc., F.I.C., Assistant Director, Cawthron Institute, Nelson. .. Mr. B. C. Aston, F.I.C., Chief Chemist, Department of Agriculture, Wellington. 2. Animal Nutrition .. Mr. C. S. M. Hopkirk, B.V.Sc., Veterinary 3. Animal Health ... Laboratory, Departmen Wallaceville, Wellington. Department of Agriculture, 4. Animal Genetics .. Professor W. Riddet, B.Sc., Dean of Dairying and Animal Husbandry Faculty, Massey Agricultural College, Palmerston North, and Dr. F. W. Dry, D.Sc., Lecturer in Agricultural Zoology, Massey Agricultural College, Palmerston North. .. Mr. C. S. M. Hopkirk, B.V.Sc., Veterinary 5. Agricultural Parasitology Laboratory, Department o Wallaceville, Wellington, and Department of Agriculture, Dr. D. Miller, Ph.D., Chief of the Entomological Department, Cawthron Institute, Nelson. .. Dr. F. W. Hilgendorf, D.Sc., Director, Wheat 6. Plant Genetics Research Institute, Canterbury Agriculture College, Lincoln, Canterbury, and Mr. E. Bruce Levy, B.Sc., Agrostologist, Plant Research Station, Palmerston North. .. Mr. J. A. Campbell, Director, Horticultural 7. Fruit-production Division, Department of Agriculture, Wellington. 8. Economic Botany .. Dr. H. H. Allan, M.A., D.Sc., F.L.S., Plant

Research Station, Palmerston North.

2. Ministers add that in all cases where a certain amount of specialization has occurred two correspondents have been recommended, in order that the objects of the bureaux may be dealt with in the most complete manner possible. case the first-named correspondent is to be regarded as taking precedence.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

Local Correspondent.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 29.

New Zealand, No. 250.

Government House, Wellington, 3rd October, 1929. My Lord,

With reference to Your Lordship's despatch, Dominions No. 388, of the 22nd August, relative to the revision of the British Pharmacopæia, I have the honour to inform you that my Ministers have arranged for the Director-General of Health to communicate forthwith direct with the Secretary of the Pharmacopæia Commission, as suggested, with a view to the establishment of direct correspondence on this I have, &c., subject.

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

No. 30.

New Zealand, No. 282.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 12th November, 1929.

With reference to Your Lordship's despatch, Dominions No. 428, of the 10th September, relative to the Eleventh International Veterinary Congress, which is to be held in London in August, 1930, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand greatly appreciate the kind invitation extended to them to appoint delegates to attend the Congress, and hope that it will be possible to arrange for suitable representation thereat. A definite decision on the question cannot, however, be made at the present juncture, but as soon as one is arrived at a further communication will be addressed to you.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 31.

New Zealand, No. 283.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 12th November, 1929.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's despatch, No. 282, of the 14th September, relative to the proposed inclusion at the International Colonial Exhibition, to be held at Antwerp next year, of exhibits relating to colonial town-planning, architecture, and modern decorative art.

2. My Ministers regret that there are no exhibits of this nature available in New Zealand that could be displayed at the Exhibition. They remark, moreover, that architecture, town-planning, and decorative art in this Dominion follow closely along English lines.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 32.

New Zealand, No. 287.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 21st November, 1929.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's despatch, Dominions No. 451, of the 25th September, enclosing copies of a circular issued by the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament regarding nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize for 1930.

2. Ministers advise me that a copy of the despatch and of the circular was published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 77, of the 14th November, and that arrangements will be made for the distribution of the copies of the circular to those bodies and persons interested in such matters.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

No. 33.

New Zealand, No. 290.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 26th November, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, No. 301, of the 1st October, relative to the grant of local rank to officers of Dominion Forces who are in the United Kingdom on "exchange" courses of instruction, and attachments to the Regular Army in Great Britain, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that the course proposed by the Army Council will be welcomed by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 34.

New Zealand, No. 293.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 30th November, 1929.

At the instance of my Prime Minister, I have the honour to transmit to Your Lordship the accompanying synopsis, prepared by the Attorney-General, of the Acts passed during the first and second sessions of the Twenty-third Parliament, together with the Acts duly authenticated with the Seal of the Dominion.

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2. It will be observed that Act No. 34, intituled the Shipping and Seamen Amendment Act, 1929, has been reserved by me for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon. In forwarding this Bill to you for submission to the King, I am advised by my Ministers to ask that you will be so good as to notify me by telegraph as soon as His Majesty's pleasure has been taken.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 35.

New Zealand, No. 299.

My Lord,— Government House, Wellington, 7th December, 1929.

With reference to Your Lordship's despatch, Dominions Treaty No. 87, of the 7th October last, regarding the Fifth International Congress on Aerial Navigation, to be held at The Hague in August, 1930, I have the honour to inform you, on the advice of my Ministers, that if in the opinion of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom it is necessary for His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to be represented at the Congress their representative will be either the High Commissioner in London or a deputy appointed by him.

I have, &c., CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

No. 36.

New Zealand, No. 302.

My Lord,-

Government House, Wellington, 10th December, 1929.

I have the honour to transmit to Your Lordship, for the information of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, three copies of the Customs Amendment Act, 1929, respecting primage duty.

2. Copies of the Act are being forwarded to the Prime Ministers of self-

governing Dominions and also to the Vicerov of India.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON. Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

No. 37.

New Zealand, No. 308.

My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 20th December, 1929.

With reference to your despatch of the 21st October last, Dominions No. 488, enclosing copy of a Note from the Italian Ambassador relative to the Fourth Tripoli Fair, to be held in that city from the 20th February to the 30th April, 1930, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship, at the instance of my Ministers, that the time available will not permit of this Dominion being represented at the fair and that it would not be possible to collect and assemble the necessary representative exhibits.

2. Ministers would be greatful if you would be so good as to arrange for the Italian Ambassador to be thanked for the invitation on behalf of New Zealand,

and at the same time for a reply to be sent him on the above lines.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,

Governor-General.

The Right Hon. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

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