

No. 60. An Act to enable Superintendents of Provinces to sue and be sued.—19th August, 1858.

No. 61. An Act to amend an Ordinance to make provision for the safe custody of, and prevention of offences by persons dangerously insane, and for the care and maintenance of persons of unsound mind.—19th August, 1858.

No. 62. An Act to amend the Law relating to Drafts on Bankers.—19th August, 1858.

No. 63. An Act to appropriate the Ordinary Revenue of New Zealand for the year ended the 30th June, 1858.—21st August, 1858.

No. 64. An Act to apply a sum out of the Ordinary Revenue to the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and to appropriate a sum to be raised by the "New Zealand Loan Act, 1856."—21st August, 1858.

No. 69. An Act to enable the Superintendent of the Province of Auckland to purchase certain Lands in the Electoral District of the City of Auckland, for the purpose of improving the said City, and for that purpose to borrow money upon the security of certain Lands in the said City.—21st August, 1858.

No. 9.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM LORD CARNARVON TO GOVERNOR GORE BROWNE, C.B.

Downing Street,
9th April, 1859.

SIR,—

No. 20. I have received your Despatch No. 96, of the 6th of October last, forwarding an authenticated copy of an Act passed by the General Assembly of New Zealand, and to which you have assented in Her Majesty's name, intituled "An Act to grant the annual sum of seven thousand pounds for a term of seven years, from the 30th June, 1858, in aid of Schools for the education of the Aboriginal Native Race."

No. 65. I have to acquaint you that I have laid this Act before the Queen, and that it will be left to its operation.

I have, &c.,

Governor Gore Browne, C.B.,
&c., &c., &c.

CARNARVON.

No. 10.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM LORD CARNARVON TO GOVERNOR GORE BROWNE, C.B.

Downing Street,
15th April, 1859.

SIR,—

No. 21. I have had under my consideration two Acts passed by the Legislature of New Zealand during their last Session, and transmitted in your Despatch, No. 99, of the 11th of October last, viz. :—

No. 67. An Act to appropriate the Revenue arising from the disposal of the Waste Lands of the Crown in New Zealand, and

No. 68. An Act to apportion amongst the Provinces of the Northern Island, the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Pounds, to be raised for the extinguishment of Native Title; and to make the Provincial Revenues of the several Provinces chargeable; in exoneration of the Revenue of the Colony, with specific portions of the public debt. And I have to inform you that these Acts have been laid before the Queen, and that they will be left to their operation.

The 8th Clause of the Act, No. 67, is I perceive intended by the Legislature, to obviate the defect in the "Waste Lands Act, 1858," to which I referred in my Despatch, No. 14, of the 23rd of February last, and which rendered me unable to advise the confirmation of that Act. I am advised, however, that the Clause would not certainly have this effect, but that the partial re-enactment by the "Waste Lands Act, 1858," of a regulation (Appendix No. 6, Section 68) which appropriates the Land Revenue to public Roads and other objects, not taking effect till a period subsequent to the coming into operation of the Land Revenue Act, might be held to over-ride the latter Act, and would in that case operate as a repeal *pro tanto*, not only of the 8th Clause which relates to the guaranteed Loan, but of the 6th which in some degree fixes the appropriation of the Land Fund.

I think it necessary to mention these inconvenient consequences which would follow from the confirmation of the Waste Lands Act as it stands, in order that in any amendment of that Act the Legislature may not fail to provide against them.

I have, &c.,

Governor Gore Browne, C.B.,
&c., &c., &c.

CARNARVON.

In the absence of Sir E. B. Lytton.