ment of any loan or portion of a loan raised under any of the Acts or Ordinances mentioned in either of the Schedules to "The Sinking Funds Act, 1868," the sinking fund of which has been invested outside the Colony, should be exempted from the management of the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Funds, it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council published in the New Zealand Gazette, to direct that the sinking fund of any such loan or portion of a loan shall be exempted from the management of the said Commissioners:

Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, doth hereby order that the several sinking funds created for the payment of the loans raised under "The Canterbury Loan Act Ordinance, 1856," "The Canterbury Loan Act, 1860," and "The Canterbury Loan Ordinance, 1862," respectively, shall be exempted from the management of the Commissioners appointed under "The New Zealand Sinking Funds Act, 1868."

Forster Goring, Clerk of the Executive Council. WILLIAM Fox, Presiding.

No. 8.

AWARD by the COMMISSIONERS releasing the Sinking Funds of the Auckland Loan of 1863.

Know all Men by these Presents, that
Whereas by "The Public Debts Sinking Funds Act, 1868," it is provided that if and whenever it shall be made to appear to the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Funds, that any of the debentures issued under any of the Acts specified in the Frst or Second Schedules thereto have been converted or exchanged for debentures issued under "The Consolidated Loan Act, 1867," the Commissioners shall, from time to time, determine what amount of the Sinking Fund held by them and created for the payment of such first-mentioned debentures, shall be released, and that the Commissioners shall make such determination by an award in writing: And whereas it has been made to appear to the said Commissioners that debentures to the amount of four hundred and sixty-one thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, being part of the debentures to the amount of five hundred thousand pounds issued under "The Auckland Loan Act, 1863," being one of the Acts named in the Second Schedule to the said "Public Debts Sinking Funds Act, 1868," have been converted or exchanged for debentures issued under "The Consolidated Loan Act, 1867," and that the amount of the debentures still outstanding and unconverted of the said loan of five hundred thousand pounds is thereby reduced to thirty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds: And whereas the sum of fifty-two thousand six hundred and twenty-four pounds eight shillings and nine pence is held by the said Commissioners as accumulated sinking fund for the repayment of the said loan of five hundred thousand pounds, and the sinking fund hereafter accruing, with the interest thereon, will be sufficient to reproduce the said sum of thirty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds, being the amount of the outstanding and unconverted portion of the said loan of five hundred thousand pounds, on or before the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, being the day fixed by law for the repayment thereof:

Now know ye, that the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Funds, by this their award in writing, do determine that the sum of fifty-two thousand six hundred and twenty-four pounds eight shillings and nine pence, being the whole of the said accumulated sinking fund so held by them for the payment of the debentures issued under "The Auckland Loan Act, 1863," shall be released and paid over to the Provincial Account of the Province of Auckland, as provided by "The Public Debts Sinking Funds Act Amendment Act, 1869."

As witness our hands this fourteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

JAMES EDWARD FITZGERALD, Comptroller. W. GISBORNE, Acting Colonial Treasurer. G. S. Cooper, Deputy Auditor.

No. 9.

AWARD by the COMMISSIONERS releasing a portion of the Sinking Funds of the Wellington Loan of 1862, and the Wellington Loan of 1866.

Know all Men by these Presents, that

Whereas by "The Public Debts Sinking Funds Act, 1868," it is provided that if and whenever it shall be made to appear to the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Funds that any of the debentures issued under any of the Acts specified in the First or Second Schedules thereto have been converted or exchanged for debentures issued under "The Consolidated Loan Act, 1867," the Commissioners shall from time to time determine what amount of the sinking fund held by them, and created for the payment of such first-mentioned debentures shall be released, and that the Commissioners shall make such determination by an award in writing: And whereas it has been made to appear to the said Commissioners that debentures to the amount of fifteen thousand four hundred pounds, being part of the debentures to the amount of twenty-five thousand pounds issued under "The Wellington Loan Act, 1862," No. 11, being one of the Acts named in the Second Schedule to the said "Public Debts Sinking Funds Act, 1868," have been converted or exchanged for debentures issued under "The Consolidated Loan Act, 1867," and that the amount of the debentures still outstanding and unconverted of the said loan of twenty-five thousand pounds is thereby reduced to the sum of nine thousand six hundred pounds: And whereas the sum of eight thousand six hundred and sixteen pounds six shillings