exhibited. Further, a statement of the place where, and the description of soil on which, the cereals were reared.

11. Catechu (Cachou).

Required:

- 1. Catechu from Acacia Catechu, as occurring in
- 2. Catechu from Areca Catechu, as occurring in commerce.
- 3. Catechu from Uncaria Gambir, as occurring in

4. Other vegetable productions, containing Tannic Acid, which are or might be made available for

technic purposes.

N.B.—It is desirable to exhibit all these kinds of Catechu with the substances from which they are obtained, and the plans yielding those substances.

12. Vanilla.

Required:

1. Mexican Vanilla-

(a.) of spontaneous growth (Cimarona);

(b.) obtained by culture (Corriente).
2. Vanilla from the Dutch East India possessions.

3. Vanilla from the Dutch West India possessions, with statement on each sample of the species of Vanilla from which it was obtained, and a blossoming sprig of the plants, either dried or preserved in

4. American Vanilla, derived from other plants than the Vanilla planifolia, with a statement on each sample of the species of Vanilla which produced it, and a sprig, dried or preserved in spirits, of the plants from which it was produced.

5. Vanilla grown in Europe.

13. Rhubarb.

The derivation of genuine Chinese Rhubarb has been successively referred to various species of the genus Rheum. The latest researches claim the Rheum officinale as the parent.

It is therefore desirable that a thoroughly wellgrown root be exhibited, showing the distinctive marks of good Chinese Rhubarb, and to which must be attached a sufficient portion of the parent plant, to determine it satisfactorily.

14. Sarsaparilla.

Required:

Well-prepared (either dried or otherwise prepared) specimens of plans yielding Sarsaparilla for commerce, with the proviso that there be attached one or more sound roots, adapted for a comparative research.

The objects are required to be in a blossoming or fruit-bearing condition.

Attention will be paid equally to objects of spontaneous growth and those obtained from culture.

Thus drawn up by the organizing Committee, Amsterdam, 14th August, 1875.

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The Committee will gratefully receive any proposals or observations concerning their labours, as marks of interest in their scheme.

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No. 2.

COPY of DESPATCH from the Right Hon, the Earl of Carnarvon to Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of Normanby, &c., &c.

(No. 27.)

My Lord,-

Downing Street, 15th May, 1876.

I have the honor to inform you that Her Majesty will not be advised to exercise Her power of disallowance with respect to the following Acts of the Legislature of New Zealand, transcripts of which accompanied your Despatch No. 82, of the 8th December, 1875.

Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of Normanby, &c., &c., &c.

I have, &c., CARNARVON.

- No. 1. "An Act to apply a Sum of Money out of the Public Account to the Service of the Year ending the Thirtieth day of June, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-six;"
- No. 2. "An Act for Indemnifying the Colonial Treasurer and all other Persons for the Expenditure of the Sum of Eighty-four Thousand and Forty Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Sixpence for the Service of the Financial Year ending the Thirtieth day of June, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and for charging the same on the Accounts

- five, and for charging the same on the Accounts of the said Year;"

 No. 3. "An Act to amend 'The Invercargill Gas Loan Act, 1874,' and to make further provision for enabling the Municipal Council of the Town of Invercargill to supply the Town of Invercargill with Gas;"

 No. 4. "An Act to authorize the Municipal Council of the Town of Queenstown to raise Money for the purpose of constructing Waterworks for the supply of the Town with Water;"
- No. 5. "An Act to incorporate the Trustees under 'The Presbyterian Church of Otago Lands Act, 1866,' and also to give power to incorporate the Mem-bers of the Deacons' Court of any Congregation of the Presbyterian Church now or which hereafter may be under the jurisdiction or control of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland;"
- No. 6. "An Act to vest certain Parcels of Land situate in the City of Dunedin in the University of Otago;"
- No. 7. "An Act to exchange a part of the Cemetery Reserve,
 Dunedin, for a Reserve called 'The Botanical
 Gardens,' situate in the City of Dunedin, to be used as a Site for the University of Otago;
- No. 9. "An Act to define the position of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, and to provide for dealing with certain Properties held in Trust for purposes connected with such Church;
- No. 10. "An Act to enable the Auckland Branch of the