

No. 19.

(New Zealand, No. 15.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 20th February, 1886.

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Government, a copy of a letter from the Foreign Office, enclosing a translation of a note from the German Ambassador at this Court, notifying officially to Her Majesty's Government that the Marshall, Brown, and Providence Islands, in the Pacific Ocean, have been placed under the protection of the German flag.

I have, &amp;c.,

GRANVILLE.

Governor Sir W. F. D. Jervois, G.C.M.G., C.B., &amp;c.

Enclosure.

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 8th February, 1886.

I am directed by the Earl of Rosebery to transmit to you herewith, to be laid before Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, a translation of a note from the German Ambassador at this Court, notifying officially to Her Majesty's Government that the Marshall, Brown, and Providence Islands, in the Pacific Ocean, have been placed under the protection of the German flag.

I have, &amp;c.,

J. PAUNCEFOTE.

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

Sub-Enclosure.

4th February, 1886.

THE undersigned has been instructed to notify officially to Her Majesty's Government that the groups of the Marshall, Brown, and Providence Islands have been placed under the protection of His Majesty the Emperor by virtue of treaties concluded with the native chiefs, due regard being had to justly-acquired rights of third parties, and that, as a sign of possession, the German flag has been hoisted there.

In now carrying out these instructions, the undersigned avails himself, &amp;c.,

The Marquis of Salisbury, K.G., &amp;c.

VON HATZFELDT.

No. 20.

(New Zealand, No. 16.)

SIR,—

Downing Street, 26th February, 1886.

In reply to your Despatch No. 1, of the 2nd ultimo, I am directed by A.-1, 1886, No. the Secretary of State to transmit to you, for communication to your Government, the document specified in the annexed schedule.<sup>17.</sup>

I have, &amp;c.,

ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Date.	Description of Document.
25th February.	Copy of a letter from the University of London respecting Mr. H. M. Livens' application to be examined in the colony for the Final Examination for the B.A. degree.

Enclosure.

SIR,—

University of London, Burlington Gardens, W., 25th February, 1886.

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of the 13th instant, covering a despatch from His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, in which it is requested that the B.A. examination of October next may be held in that colony, and to state that the Governor's application was yesterday considered by the Senate, and acceded to. Copies of the required examination-papers will be sent to your department, in time to allow of their reaching New Zealand before the day appointed for the commencement of the examination.

I enclose a copy of the conditions on which colonial examinations are sanctioned by the Senate. Instructions to the sub-examiner will be sent with the examination-papers.

I have, &amp;c.,

ARTHUR MILMAN,

Registrar.

Sir Robert Herbert, K.C.B., &amp;c.