

SESS. II.—1897.
NEW ZEALAND.

DESPATCHES

FROM THE GOVERNOR OF NEW ZEALAND TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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

INDEX.

No. of Series.	Date.	Subject.	Page.
1	15 May, 1896 ..	International Telegraph Convention, Buda-Pesth	1
2	26 May, " ..	Administration of Norfolk Island	2
3	7 July, " ..	Distinction for saving human life	3
4	8 July, " ..	Resignation of Hon. J. G. Ward as Colonial Treasurer.. .. .	3
5	26 Sept., " ..	Colonial laws affecting British shipping	3
6	28 Sept., " ..	Notification of changes of masters of vessels to Lloyd's	3
7	12 Nov., " ..	International Convention for publication of Customs tariffs	4
8	20 Nov., " ..	Medals for permanent local forces	4
9	21 Nov., " ..	"Coinage Act, 1870"	4
10	25 Nov., " ..	Tuberculosis, Laws, &c., relating to	4
11	21 Dec., " ..	Synopsis of Acts, 1896	4
12	21 Dec., " ..	Asiatic Restriction Act reserved	10
13	26 Dec., " ..	Paris Exhibition, 1900: space required	10
14	20 Jan., 1897 ..	Mutual trade, Great Britain and colonies	10
15	5 Feb., " ..	Appointment of three members, Legislative Council	10
16	5 Feb., " ..	Departure of Lord Glasgow	11
17	18 Feb., " ..	Assumption of office by Sir James Prendergast	11
18	18 Mar., " ..	Charge of property of Germans dying intestate	11
19	18 Mar., " ..	Title of "Honourable" to Legislative Councillors retiring after ten years' service	12
20	18 Mar., " ..	Employers' liability	12
21	25 April, " ..	Synopsis of Acts, 1897, Sess. I.	12
22	15 April, " ..	"Coinage Act, 1870"	13
23	12 May, " ..	Address of General Assembly to Her Majesty on completion of sixtieth year of her reign	13

No. 1.

(No. 17.)

SIR,—

Government House, Auckland, 15th May, 1896.

With reference to your despatch of the 3rd December, 1895, requesting that you might be informed of the name of the delegate by whom New Zealand proposes to be represented at the meeting of the International Telegraph Conference to be held at Buda-Pesth, and also with reference to my despatch of the 16th March in reply, informing you that my Ministers do not propose that this colony shall be represented at the above-mentioned conference, I have the honour to inform you that I have now been informed by my Premier that, on further consideration, while my Ministers do not propose to send a representative to the conference, they would ask that the representative of the United Kingdom may be requested to represent New Zealand, as otherwise the vote of this colony might be lost, and in the manner proposed can be used in case of any emergency for the benefit of the United Kingdom and the colonies.

I have, &c.,
GLASGOW.

The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.