now the honour to inform you that three surveyors and six subordinates have this day left Wellington for London, and should arrive there about the 27th Sep-

I have further the honour to enclose to you: (1) Report from the Surveyor-General to the Hon. the Minister of Lands; (2) copy of agreement; (3) copy of letter of appointment; (4) printed memo. and summary; (5) draft letter to the Agent-General.

The surveyors are instructed to report themselves on arrival to the Agent-General for New Zealand for instructions.

I have, &c.,

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

No. 18.

(No. 73.)

SIR, ~

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No. 27.

Government House, Wellington, 12th September, 1902. With reference to your despatch No. 61, dated 27th June, 1902, asking for further information as to the saluting batteries at Wellington and Auckland, I have the honour to inform you that in Wellington the saluting battery is at

Thorndon Battery, Pipitea Point, and in Auckland at Fort Cautley, at North I have, &c.,

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

No. 19.

(No. 74.)

Government House, Wellington, 13th September, 1902. SIR. With reference to your despatch No. 62, dated the 8th July, 1902, on

the subject of army meat contracts, I have the honour to inform you that the general arrangements referred to meet the approval of my Government.

I have, &c.,

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

No. 20.

(No. 75.)

SIR,-Government House, Wellington, 15th September, 1902. With reference to your despatch circular, dated the 9th July, 1902, asking that the Board of Agriculture should be furnished from time to time with any documents regarding agriculture in this colony, I have the honour to inform you that my Government will be pleased to furnish such documents I have, &c., direct to the Board.

The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain,

RANFURLY.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 21.

(No. 79.)

Government House, Wellington, 4th October, 1902. SIR, I have the honour to inform you that I prorogued the third session of the Fourteenth Parliament of New Zealand on the 3rd instant.

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