No. 24.

(No. 102.)

Government House, Wellington, 11th December, 1907. My Lord,

In reply to Your Lordship's circular despatch of the 17th September A-2, 1908, over the honour to inform you that under the New Zeeland Detact. last, I have the honour to inform you that, under the New Zealand Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Act of 1889, my Government is in a position to claim reciprocity as regards the registration of Icelandic Trade-marks.

2. A copy of the Act is forwarded herewith.

I have, &c.,

The Earl of Elgin,

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

PLUNKET.

No. 25.

(No. 103.)

My Lord,-

Government House, Wellington, 14th December, 1907.

I have the honour to forward herewith a Synopsis, prepared by the Law Officers, of the Acts passed during the third Session of the Sixteenth Parliament of New Zealand, together with the Acts duly authenticated with the seal of the I have, &c., Dominion.

The Earl of Elgin,

PLUNKET.

Secretary of State for the Colonies.

## Enclosures.

Memorandum for His Excellency the Governor.

Prime Minister's Office, Wellington, 12th December, 1907. THE Prime Minister presents his compliments, and begs to forward, for transmission to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a synopsis, prepared by the Law Officers, of the Acts passed during the third session of the sixteenth Parliament of New Zealand, together with the Acts duly authenticated with the seal of the Dominion. J. G. WARD.

## SPECIAL REPORT.

For the information of His Excellency the Governor, I beg to report as follows:—

1. The synopsis attached hereto contains a list of all the Acts passed by the General Assembly

of New Zealand during the session which ended on the 25th day of November, 1907.

2. In my opinion, none of those Acts is repugnant to the law of England, nor (with one exception) was it necessary that they should have been reserved for the signification of His Majesty's

pleasure thereon, in accordance with the Royal Instructions of the 26th day of March, 1892.

3. Act No. 79 ("Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Act, 1907") has been reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, in accordance with the said Royal Instructions, and Act No. 78 ("Chinese Immigrants Amendment Act, 1907") has also been reserved for the like purpose, though not legally necessary, because the original Act of which it is an amendment was reserved.

Dated at Wellington, this 2nd day of December, 1907.

J. G. FINDLAY, Attorney-General.

SYNOPSIS OF ACTS PASSED by the GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NEW ZEALAND during the Session ended the 25th day of November, 1907.

## Public General Acts.

1. "Imprest Supply Act, 1907." — Granting to His Majesty for the service of the year the sums of £581,000 and £12,000.

2. "New Zealand and South African Customs Treaty Ratification Act, 1907."—Ratifying and extending the treaty with the South African Colonies, and the alterations and exemptions in the Customs duties made in accordance with such treaty.

3. "Imprest Supply Act, 1907 (No. 2)."—Granting to His Majesty for the service of the

year the sums of £611,000 and £12,000.
4. "Aid to Public Works and Land Settlement Act, 1907."—Authorising the raising of a loan of £1,000,000 in aid of certain public works and other purposes.

5. "Reserve Fund Securities Act, 1907."—Authorising the raising of a sum of £800,000 to be invested in securities to take the place of matured Imperially guaranteed debentures for the same amount.

6. "Trustees Amendment Act, 1907."—Amending section 12 of the Act of 1891, authorising Judge of the Supreme Court to make an order for maintenance of children out of trust estate.