No. 19.

(Miscellaneous.)

My Lord,—

Downing Street, 19th November, 1907.

A.-1, 1907, No. 22.

With reference to your Lordship's despatch (No. 28) of the 12th April last, I have the honour to request you to inform your Government that the adhesion of the Dominion of New Zealand to the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Nicaragua, signed at Managua on the 28th of July, 1905, has been duly notified

I have, &c., ELGIN.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Plunket, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O.

to, and accepted by, the Nicaraguan Government.

No. 20.

(Miscellaneous.)

My Lord,— Downing Street, 22nd November, 1907.

With reference to the Royal Proclamation of the 9th September last, substituting the title of the Dominion of New Zealand for that of the Colony of New Zealand, I have the honour to transmit to you Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, constituting the Office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion, together with the Royal Instructions accompanying the Letters Patent, and a Commission passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet appointing you to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion.

You will observe that clause 6 of the existing Royal Instructions of the 26th March 1892, as to the reservation of Bills, has been omitted from the New Instructions, and that a clause corresponding to clause 7 of the Commonwealth of Australia Royal Instructions of the 29th October 1900, has been substituted.

I have, &c.,

ELGIN.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Plunket, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., &c.

Enclosures.

NEW ZEALAND.—LETTERS PATENT PASSED UNDER THE GREAT SEAL OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, CONSTITUTING THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE DOMINION OF NEW ZEALAND, DATED THE 18TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Edward the Seventh, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India: To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting.

Whereas, by certain Letters Patent, under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster, the Twenty-first day of February, 1879, Her late Majesty Queen Victoria did constitute, order, and declare that there should be a Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies (therein called the Colony) and that appointments to the said Office when vacant should be made by Commission under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet:

And whereas by an Act passed in the Session holden in the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh years of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, entitled "An Act to alter the Boundaries of New Zealand," the Colony of New Zealand was defined as comprising all Territories, Islands, and Countries lying between the one hundred and sixty-second degree of East Longitude and the one hundred and seventy-third degree of West Longitude and between the thirty-third and fifty-third parallels of South Latitude:

And whereas by a Proclamation bearing date the twenty-first day of July 1887, issued by the Governor of New Zealand under authority of Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom, bearing date the eighteenth day of January 1887, the Islands situate in the South Pacific Ocean between the parallels of 29 degrees and 32 degrees South Latitude and the meridians of 177 degrees and 180 degrees West Longitude, known as the Kermadec Group, were, from and after the first day of August 1887, annexed to and became part of the Colony of New Zealand:

And whereas by a Proclamation bearing date the tenth day of June 1901, issued by the Governor of New Zealand by authority of an Order by Us in Our Privy Council dated the thirteenth