in the subjoined schedule on the subject of the selection of Major H. F. Head as Director of Ordnance and Commandant of the Permanent Force of New Zealand.

I have, etc., ELGIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

Date.			Description.		
1908. 18th Feby		•	From War Office.		

Enclosure.

SIR.

War Office, London S.W. 18th Feby. 1908.

With reference to your letter No. 39908/1907 of the 15th November 1907, I am commanded by the Army Council to inform you that they have selected Major H. F. Head, Royal Garrison Artillery for the post of Director of Ordnance and Commandant of the Permanent Force of New Zealand.

As regards paragraph 3 of your letter quoted above, the terms of the appointment are as follows: Salary £450 per annum with house allowance of £50. Period—Three years, with possible extension to five years by mutual agreement, at the end of the first period. Passages for himself and family to and from New Zealand.

Major Head will be directed to place himself in communication with the High Commissioner for New Zealand and will be seconded and cease to draw pay from Army Funds from the date of his embarkation to take up his duties. I have etc.,

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

E. W. D. WARD.

No. 4.

No. 37.

My Lord,

Downing Street, 11th March, 1908.

I have the honour to transmit to you for the information of your Ministers, the papers noted in the subjoined schedule on the subject of the attestation of documents to be used in New Zealand. I have etc.,

ELGIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

	Date.	 -	Description.
22 February 6 March	1908. 	 • •	From Foreign Office.

Enclosures.

Foreign Office, February 22nd, 1908.

I am directed by Secretary Sir Edward Grey to transmit herewith, to be laid before the Earl of Elgin the accompanying copy of a despatch which has been received from His Majesty's Consul General at New York relative to the law regulating the attestation of documents to be used in the Dominion of New Zealand.

2. I am to state that Sir Edward Grey would be glad to be informed what is the law of New Zealand on the subject, and whether the Acts 54 and 55 Vict., relating to the administration of Oaths, etc., have any force in the Dominion. I am etc.

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

W. LANGLEY.