Incorporation of Companies.

By Section 308 of "The Companies Act, 1908" a certificate of incorporation of a company given by an officer authorised to grant the same is admissible if verified by declaration made by one of directors or manager of company before a Mayor, Provost, Notary Public, British Consul or Vice Consul.

Official Documents.

Provision is made by sections 34 to 45 of "The Evidence Act, 1908" for the proof of official and other documents. (sgd.) Fred Fitchett,

Crown Law Office, 12th January, 1909.

Solicitor General.

No. 29.

No. 10.

A.-2, 1909, No. 2. My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 5th February 1909.

In continuation of my despatch, No. 16, of the 20th March 1908, and with reference to Colonial Office despatch of the 8th December 1898, I have the honour to inform your Lordship that the quantities of gold and silver entered for export for the year ended 31st December 1908 were 506,381 oz., equal to 15,750.57 kilogrammes, valued at £2,004,789; and 1,731,336 oz., equal to 53,851.81 kilogrammes, valued at £175,337, respectively.

I have etc.,

The Right Honble

PLUNKET,

The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor.

No. 30.

No. 17.

My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 1st March 1909.

With reference to my telegram of the 28th of February, I have the honour to transmit a copy of the proposed Money Order Convention with France.

2. I also enclose a copy of a memorandum which I have received from my Prime Minister upon this subject.

I have etc.,

The Right Honble

PLUNKET,

The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Governor.

Enclosure.

Prime Minister's Office, 26th February, 1909.

The Prime Minister respectfully forwards herewith to His Excellency the Governor a copy of the proposed Money-order Convention with France. It will not be possible to exchange this copy against a document prepared in similar terms by the French Government; because since the accepted copy of the Convention was transmitted from the General Post Office, Wellington, to the General Post Office, Paris, some months ago, in preparation for the action now to be taken, a correspondence on the points of the Convention has been continued which has resulted in the proposal and the acceptance or rejection of amendments. But as all the proposals that have been offered have been definitely disposed of by both France and New Zealand the present document is that which should be diplomatically affirmed. (sd) J. G. Ward.

No. 31.

No. 18.

My Lord, Government House, Wellington, 1st March 1909.

I have the honour to inform your Lordship that I am now in a position to send a reply to Mr. Alfred Lyttelton's circular despatch of the 20th November 1905, in which it was suggested that New Zealand should forward an application for a Coat of Arms.

2. I enclose a copy of a memorandum from my Prime Minister upon this subject and also the three designs to which he refers.

The Right Honble

The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

I have etc.,

PLUNKET,

Governor.