

My Lords are taking steps to make due provision for the same in the Estimates for 1909-10 but in the meantime I am to state with reference to section 6 of that Act, that it would be convenient that the instalments of the revised subsidy should be paid in London as heretofore, application being made by the Accountant General of the Navy to the High Commissioner for New Zealand on or about the dates referred to in the Act beginning on 12th May, 1909.

I am etc.,

C. I. THOMAS.

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

No. 39.

No. 219.

MY LORD,

Downing Street, 24th December, 1908.

I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty will not be advised to exercise his powers of disallowance with respect to the Act No. 4 of 1908 of the Parliament of New Zealand, entitled "An Act to enact certain Public General Statutes prepared by the Commissioners appointed under the Reprint of Statutes Act, 1895," a transcript of which accompanied your despatch No. 81, of the 3rd of November.

I have, &c.,

CREWE.

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

A.-1, 1909,
No. 23.

No. 40.

No. 220.

MY LORD,

Downing Street, 24th December, 1908.

I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty will not be advised to exercise his powers of disallowance with respect to the following Acts of the Parliament of New Zealand, transcripts of which accompanied your despatch No. 81, of the 3rd of November:—

[For enclosure, see *New Zealand Gazette* No. , page .]

A.-1, 1909,
No. 23.

No. 41.

New Zealand.—No. 223.

MY LORD,

Downing Street, 31st December, 1908.

I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty will not be advised to exercise his powers of disallowance with respect to the Act No. 234 of 1908 of the Parliament of New Zealand, entitled "An Act to amend the Defence Act, 1908," a transcript of which accompanied your despatch No. 81, of the 3rd of November.

I have, &c.,

CREWE.

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

A.-1, 1909,
No. 23.

No. 42.

New Zealand, No. 1.

MY LORD,

Downing Street, 1st January, 1909.

With reference to my predecessor's Circular despatch of the 8th February, 1907, I have the honour to request that you will inform your Ministers that in virtue of the power vested in them by Section 5 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, the Board of Trade have fixed the 1st of October 1909, to be the appointed day for the purpose of Part 1 of that Act, on which date certain provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1904, relating to load line and life saving appliances will be applied to Foreign ships in the ports of the United Kingdom.

I have etc.,

CREWE.

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