

## No. 133.

New Zealand, No. 58.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 21st February, 1911.

With reference to my despatch, No. 301, of the 30th December last, and previous correspondence, relating to bills of exchange, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, to be laid before your Ministers, a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade, stating that the Dutch Government propose to summon an international conference at the Hague in September next (in conjunction with, and as part of the final conference on the laws relating to bills of exchange), for the consideration of the unification of the laws relating to cheques.

2. Copies of a "Questionnaire" issued by the Dutch Government and of an approved reply on the part of His Majesty's Government are also enclosed.

3. I shall be glad if your Ministers will be good enough to furnish me with any observations they may desire to offer on the subject.

I have, &amp;c.

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &amp;c.

## No. 134.

New Zealand.—Miscellaneous.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 20th February, 1911.

With reference to Lord Crewe's despatch (Miscellaneous), of the 20th August, 1909, I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to inform your Government that the copies of the State portraits of His late Majesty and of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, which are intended for Government House, Wellington, are now ready for despatch.

I have accordingly requested the High Commissioner for New Zealand to make arrangements for their shipment to their destination.

I have, &amp;c.

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &amp;c.

## No. 135.

New Zealand, No. 67.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 24th February, 1911.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 6, of the 11th January, forwarding resolutions from the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, the Congregational Church at Napier, and the Courtenay Place Congregational Church, Wellington, on the subject of the Indo-Chinese opium traffic.

I have, &amp;c.

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &amp;c.

## No. 136.

New Zealand, No. 69.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 24th February, 1911.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 108, of the 25th May, 1909, I have the honour to transmit to you, to be laid before your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Board of Education on the subject of the service of English teachers employed under the Education Department of New Zealand.

2. I shall be glad if your Ministers will be so good as to comply with the request of the Board of Education.

I have, &amp;c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &amp;c.