

The treaty shall be ratified, and the ratifications shall be exchanged at London, as soon as possible.

In witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the same, and have affixed thereto the seal of their arms.

Done in duplicate, at Bangkok, the 4th day of March, 1911, in the 129th year of "Ratanakosindr."

ARTHUR PEEL.
DEVAWONGSE VAROPRAKAR.

No. 131.

New Zealand, No. 391.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 24th November, 1911.

With reference to my despatch, No. 305, of the 1st September, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the Mexican Government have agreed to permit any of the self-governing dominions which adhered to the Anglo-Mexican treaty of 1888 to withdraw from the treaty, provided that twelve months' notice of the intention to withdraw is given, in accordance with the provisions of Article XVI of the treaty.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

No. 132.

New Zealand, No. 392.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th November, 1911.

With reference to my despatch, No. 365, of the 20th October, I have the honour to request that you will inform your Ministers that Portugal has ratified the agreement signed at Rome on the 9th December, 1907, for the creation of an International Bureau of Public Health, and desires to be included in the 3rd category (article 2 of the organic statutes annexed to the agreement).

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

No. 133.

New Zealand, No. 396.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 7th December, 1911.

With reference to my telegram of the 4th December, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying copy of the conditions of the proposed service of deferred plain-language telegrams at reduced rates.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

Enclosure.

DEFERRED TELEGRAMS AT REDUCED RATES.

1. THE sender of a private telegram in the extra-European service may obtain the benefit of a reduction of 50 per cent. in the charge on condition that the telegram is written in plain language, as defined hereafter, and that it is not transmitted until after telegrams charged for at the full rate.

Form and Handing in.

2. *Declaration by Sender.*—The sender must sign, when handing in the telegram, a declaration giving a formal assurance that the text is entirely in plain language, and that it does not bear any meaning other than that which appears on the face of it. The declaration must specify the language in which the telegram is written.