

Mr. Prouse is not a Consul de Carrière, and resides in the City of Wellington (New Zealand).  
I enclose the commission, and have the honour to ask you to be so good as to obtain the usual exequatur, so that Mr. Prouse may enter upon the discharge of his duties.

Sir E. Grey, M.P., &c.

I have, &c.,

FED. R. VIDIELLA.

### No. 137.

New Zealand, No. 404.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 16th December, 1911.

With reference to your despatch, No. 124, of the 15th of September, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a despatch from His Majesty's representative at Berne on the subject of the accession of the Dominion of New Zealand to the international convention prohibiting the use of white phosphorus in the manufacture of matches.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

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

### Enclosures.

SIR,—

British Legation, Berne, 8th December, 1911.

On receipt of your despatch, No. 22—Treaty, of 9th November, which I received by bag on the 27th ultimo, I addressed a note to the Swiss Government notifying the accession of the Dominion of New Zealand to the international convention signed at Berne on 26th September, 1906, prohibiting the use of white phosphorus in the manufacture of matches.

I have now the honour to enclose copy of the circular note which the Swiss Government have addressed to the other countries who are parties to the convention, notifying the accession of New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. Sir Edward Grey, Bart., M.P., &c.

R. H. CLIVE.

MONSIEUR LE MINISTRE,—

Berne, le 4 décembre, 1911.

En conformité de l'article 3 de la convention internationale du 26 septembre, 1906, sur l'interdiction de l'emploi du phosphore blanc (jaune) dans l'industrie des allumettes, la légation britannique à Berne, par sa note du 27 novembre, 1911, nous a informés de l'adhésion du Dominion de la Nouvelle-Zélande à cette convention.

Nous avons donc l'honneur de vous notifier par la présente cette adhésion.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Ministre, l'assurance de notre haute considération.

RUCHET,

Au nom du Conseil Fédéral Suisse.

SCHATZMANN,

Le Chancelier de la Confédération.

Son Excellence Monsieur le Ministre des Affaires Étrangères.

### No. 138.

New Zealand.—Miscellaneous.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 22nd December, 1911.

With reference to your Lordship's telegram of the 21st September, I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the King has been pleased to approve of the use and recognition throughout His Majesty's dominions of the title of "Honourable" in the case of the Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.

I enclose a copy of the notice which will be published in the *London Gazette*.

I have, &c.

L. HARCOURT.

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

### Enclosure.

The Superintendent of the *London Gazette*.

Downing Street, December, 1911.

THE KING has been pleased to approve of the use and recognition throughout His Majesty's dominions during tenure of office of the title of "Honourable" in the case of the Chief Justices and Judges of the undermentioned Courts:—