

2. I have also summoned the Honourable Francis Dillon Bell (Minister of Internal Affairs) to the Legislative Council. He is to be Leader of the Government in that Chamber.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 24.

New Zealand, No. 107.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 11th July, 1912.

I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a memorandum which I have received from my Prime Minister, requesting me to submit the name of Mr. Thomas Mackenzie, Prime Minister of the late Government, for His Majesty's gracious permission to retain the title of "Honourable," he having now ceased to be a member of the Executive Council of this Dominion.

2. Mr. Mackenzie has been a member of the Executive Council for more than three years.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 25.

New Zealand, No. 109.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 12th July, 1912.

I have the honour to inform you that on the 13th June I summoned to the Legislative Council of this Dominion—

Major the Honourable Sir William Jukes Steward, Knight;

The Honourable Thomas Young Duncan; and

Thomas Parata, Esquire.

Notification was published in the issue of the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 27th June, 1912.

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 26.

New Zealand, No. 115.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 26th July, 1912.

With reference to the Earl of Elgin's despatch, No. 46, of the 25th March, 1908, in which it was requested that copies of any licenses issued in this Dominion for the working of wireless telegraphy on board ships should be sent to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of the Postmaster-General, I have the honour, by request of my Prime Minister, to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a license, in duplicate, dated the 13th July, 1912, for the installation and working of apparatus for wireless telegraphy on board the undermentioned five steamers of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand (Limited), namely: "Aorangi," "Hauroto," "Makura," "Manapouri," "Marama."

I have, &c.,

ISLINGTON,

Governor.

The Right Hon. Lewis V. Harcourt, P.C., &c.,
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

No. 27.

New Zealand, No. 118.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 31st July, 1912.

With reference to your despatch, No. 95, of the 27th March, enclosing copy of a resolution which was passed by the Imperial Conference in 1911, in favour of the