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2. The regulations provide, inter alia, that—

"From the 1st March, 1918, aliens entering Costa Rica territory must possess passports proving their identity. These documents shall be issued by the authorities competent to issue passports in the country of origin of the aliens or by the Diplomatic or Consular Officer of such country accredited in the country from which the individual comes. Such passports shall not be valid unless they bear all details necessary to identify the bearer, and unless they are duly vised by the respective Diplomatic or Consular Representatives of Costa Rica, or, in default of such Representative, by the Representative of a friendly nation in the country where the passport is issued."

3. Immigrants are also required to register themselves, within eight days of their arrival, in the Aliens Register of the province of Costa Rica in which they intend to reside, and all aliens resident in Costa Rica are required to register themselves in the Aliens Register kept at the office of the Governor of the province in which they may reside, and to obtain a certificate of registration,

which they must produce on demand to the police authorities.

4. Foreign Diplomatic and Consular Officers accredited to Costa Rica, their families, and servants who are natives of their employer's country, are exempt from the above regulations.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H LONG.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

No. 23.

New Zealand, No. 101.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 5th June, 1918.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that your telegram of the 1st June has been laid before His Majesty the King, who commands me to convey to you and to the Government and people of New Zealand an expression of his high appreciation of the congratulations on the occasion of his birthday, and of the renewed assurances of loyalty to his throne and person.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

No. 24.

New Zealand, Honours.

My Lord, – Downing Street, 10th June, 1918.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's despatch, No. 77, of the 8th April, reporting the death on the 12th December last of the Honourable Sir Charles Christopher Bowen, K.C.M.G.

I am well aware of the prominent position which was occupied by Sir Charles Bowen for many years in the public affairs of the Dominion, and I learned with regret of his death, which has been noted in the records of the Order of which he was a member.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

No. 25.

New Zealand, No. 109.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 13th June, 1919.

With reference to my despatch, No. 166, of the 22nd October, 1917, on the subject of the noting of marine protests, I have the honour to request

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