No. 15.

New Zealand, No. 28.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 5th February, 1921.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 12th November, and despatch (No. 182) of the 11th November, advising me of the decision of your Ministers to increase the annual contribution towards the upkeep of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology to £400.

2. I am glad to be able to inform you that the other Dominion Governments and the colonial Governments which I approached have agreed to double their contributions, and in certain cases to give more than double the contribution hitherto made; and that His Majesty's Government have raised the contribution

paid out of Imperial funds from £500 to £1,000.

3. The annual income of the Bureau will now approximate to the sum of £13,000, which was the figure proposed at the Imperial entomological conference last June. I shall have much pleasure in notifying the managing committee of the Bureau accordingly; and I am sure that they will welcome, no less than I do myself, this proof that the usefulness of the work of the Bureau is so much appreciated.

4. I learn with satisfaction that the proposal to hold further conferences at intervals of five years is generally acceptable to the Governments of the Dominions, and I have no doubt that the opportunity provided by the next conference (provisionally fixed for June, 1925) will be taken by your Ministers to bring forward suggestions which they may have to make in regard to the working of the Bureau,

contributions for its upkeep, or any other cognate matter.

I have, &c., MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

No. 16.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 61.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 7th February, 1921.

With reference to my telegram of the 4th December, 1920, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copy of a circular, dated 10th January, to His Majesty's Consuls abroad, regarding the validity of British passports for travel to any of the Dominions and colonies and to India.

I have, &c.,

MILNER.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. Viscount Jellicoe, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

Circular.—Treaty.

Foreign Office, 10th January, 1921.

I am directed by Earl Curzon of Kedleston to inform you that it has been arranged, in consultation with the Colonial Office and India Office, that British passports issued on or after the 1st January, 1921, shall, unless otherwise endorsed, be valid for travelling to any of the British Dominions and colonics and to India without the name of the part of the Empire concerned being specifically endorsed on the passport.

An addition to the regulations printed in the margin of British passports will therefore be made in the following terms: "British passports issued on or after the 1st January, 1921, unless otherwise endorsed, are valid for travelling anywhere within the British Empire, but do not exempt the holder from compliance with the Immigration Regulations in force in the various countries of the Empire."

This addition should be made in manuscript to the stock of passports already in your possession. With regard to passports which have been issued prior to the 1st January, 1921, and are still valid, it is desired that these also shall be made similarly valid anywhere within the Empire. Whenever, therefore, such passports are presented to you for endorsement or renewal you should place an endorsement upon them in the following terms: "British passports, unless otherwise endorsed, are valid for travelling anywhere within the British Empire, but do not exempt the holder from compliance with the Immigration Regulations in force in the various countries of the Empire."