

## No. 28.

New Zealand, No. 276.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 24th December, 1926.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Dominions No. 486, of the 2nd November last, enclosing an invitation from the Italian Ambassador to His Majesty's Government and to the Governments of the dominions, colonies, and protectorates to participate in an Exhibition and Congress on Telegraphy and Telephony to be held at Como on the occasion of the first centenary of the death of Alessandra Volta (May to October, 1927).

2. The Government of New Zealand, while appreciating the invitation of the Italian Government, regret that they will be unable to take part in the Congress.

I have, &amp;c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,  
Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P.,  
Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

## No. 29.

New Zealand, No. 277.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 24th December, 1926.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, Dominions Treaty No. 30, of the 29th October, enclosing copy of a further note from the French Ambassador reporting the postponement of the International Chemistry Conference until the 25th May, 1927, and renewing the invitations already extended to His Majesty's Government and to the Governments of the dominions.

2. The Government of New Zealand, while appreciating the invitation of the French Government, regret that they are unable to be represented at the Conference.

I have, &amp;c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,  
Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P.,  
Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

## No. 30.

New Zealand, No. 279.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 31st December, 1926.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 5th November, Dominions No. 500, on the subject of the failure of certain British subjects to obtain an Egyptian visa to their passports before proceeding to Egypt.

2. My Ministers, to whom I duly referred the despatch, informed me that travellers to Egypt are invariably advised by the Department of Internal Affairs of the necessity for a visa when they come under the notice of the Department, and in the case of passports to British subjects, usually on a temporary visit to Egypt, a visa is granted at the time of issue. Steps are being taken to bring the requirements of the Egyptian Government under the notice of shipping companies and tourist agencies.

I have, &amp;c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,  
Governor-General.

The Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, M.P.,  
Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.