

that the question of the representation of New Zealand at the Conference is receiving consideration, and that in the meantime it is desired that the Managing Committee of the Imperial Bureau of Entomology may be thanked for its invitation to His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to be represented at the Conference.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,  
Governor-General.

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

No. 19.

New Zealand, No. 135.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 2nd June, 1929.

With reference to your despatch, Dominions No. 99, of the 26th February last, relative to the desire of the Registrar-General to be furnished with certain particulars for use in connection with the revised editions of (a) "Abstract of Legal Preliminaries to Marriage in the United Kingdom, in India, and in the British Dominions beyond the Seas," and (b) "Abstract of Arrangements respecting Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Great Britain, Ireland, the Islands of the British Dominions beyond the Seas," I have the honour to forward herewith, in duplicate, at the instance of my Ministers, freshly typed paragraphs setting out the information required in respect of New Zealand.

2. In regard to the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa, these matters are governed by the following legislation:—

Marriages: Part X, Samoa Act, 1921, as amended by the Samoa Amendment Act, 1926.

Births and Deaths of Europeans: Registration Ordinance No. 6 of 1920, as amended by Ordinance No. 22, of 1921.

Births and Deaths of Natives: Board of Health Regulations published at page 31 of the Annual Report upon the Administration of Western Samoa for the Year ended 31st March, 1923.

3. Two copies of each of the publications mentioned above are forwarded herewith, with the exception of the annual report for the year ended 31st March, 1923. Ministers regret that no further copies of this report are available, and the Board of Health Regulations have not been published elsewhere. No doubt, however, copies of this report will be already available to you.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,  
Governor-General.

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

No. 20.

New Zealand, No. 136.

SIR,— Government House, Wellington, 2nd June, 1929.

With reference to your despatch of the 16th April last, Dominions No. 164, relative to an inquiry by the Italian Ambassador as to the Customs treatment of provisions and equipment embarked by foreign yachts, I have the honour to inform you, at the instance of my Ministers, that yachts under the Italian flag visiting ports in the Dominion of New Zealand in the course of their voyages are allowed to ship without payment of Customs duty, for exportation to places outside New Zealand, provisions and equipment which have been imported into New Zealand.

2. Ministers add that reasonable quantities of stores for use exclusively for consumption on board while the yachts are in New Zealand waters are allowed to be shipped without payment of Customs duty.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON,  
Governor-General.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.