

No. 21.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 99.

SIR,—

Downing Street, 26th February, 1929.

I have the honour to state for the information of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand that the Registrar-General has under consideration the issue of revised editions of (1) the "Abstract of Legal Preliminaries to Marriage in the United Kingdom, in India, and in the British Dominions beyond the Seas," (2) the "Abstract of Arrangements respecting Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Great Britain, Ireland, the Islands of the British Seas, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas"; and that for this purpose he is desirous of obtaining information as to the legislative measures, proclamations, regulations, &c., relating to these subjects at present in force in the various parts of the Empire, so that the information contained in the abstracts may be brought up to date.

2. Copies of the existing editions of the abstracts, which were issued in 1908 and 1915 respectively, are enclosed, and I should be glad if the necessary particulars could be supplied as regards New Zealand, including dependencies and the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa.

I have, &c.,

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Governor-General His Excellency General Sir C. Fergusson, Bart.,
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No. 22.

New Zealand, No. 79.

SIR,—

Downing Street, 27th February, 1929.

With reference to my despatch, No. 262, of the 31st December, 1928, on the subject of the examination of sheep-carasses imported into this country, I have the honour to state, for the information of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand, that it has recently been reported to the Minister of Health that shipments from Australia have included carcasses from which lymphatic glands, which might have shown evidence of *Caseous Lymphadenitis*, have been excised. In this connection that Minister has asked that it may be explained that as the excision of glands could apparently only have been made for the purpose of obscuring the presence of the disease, it is the general practice of the Meat Inspectors at ports in Great Britain to regard the excision itself as sufficient evidence of the disease, and consequently to condemn the entire carcass where any such gland has been excised.

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No. 23.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 120.

SIR,—

Downing Street, 14th March, 1929.

With reference to paragraph 2 of my despatch, Dominions No. 360, of the 18th August, 1925, I have the honour to state for the information of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand, that, in accordance with Resolution (2) of the Second Imperial Entomological Conference, which was held in London in 1925, the next Conference will fall due to be held in the summer of 1930. The resolution in question is printed on page 12 of the report of the 1925 Conference (Cmd. 2490), a copy of which was enclosed with my despatch under reference.