The Officer administering the Government transmits to the House of Representatives a copy of the New Zealand *Government Gazette* containing a Proclamation Proroguing the General Assembly until Thursday the 31st instant.

R. H. WYNYARD.

Officer Administering the Government.

Government House, Auckland,
17th August, 1854.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel ROBERT HENRY WYNYARD,
a Companion of the most Honourable Order of the Bath,
the Officer administering the Government of the Islands
of New Zealand. &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by an Act made and enacted in the Parliament holden in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled " An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand," it is amongst other things enacted that the General Assembly of New Zealand shall be holden at any place and time within New Zealand which the Governor shall from time to time by Proclamation for that purpose appoint ; and that the Governor may, at his pleasure prorogue or dissolve the General Assembly.

Now, I, the Officer administering the Government, pursuant to the authority vested in me in that behalf by the said recited Act, do hereby prorogue the General Assembly of New Zealand until Thursday, the 31st inst. *And I do hereby declare* the said General Assembly to be prorogued accordingly.

And I do further proclaim and appoint that the said General Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business at Auckland, on the said day at twelve o'clock at noon ; and the Members of the said Assembly are hereby warned to give their attendance at the same time and place accordingly.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Islands of New Zealand, at Auckland, this seventeenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

R. H. WANYARD,

The Officer administering the Government of the Islands of New Zealand.

By His Excellency's command,

ANDREW SINCLAIR,

Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!