

other necessary Officers and Ministers of our said Colony of New Zealand for the better administration of Justice, and putting the Laws into execution. *And We do hereby give and grant unto you the said Thomas Gore Browne full power and authority as you shall see occasion in our name and on our behalf to remit any fines, penalties and forfeitures which may accrue or become payable to us. And We do hereby give and grant unto you the said Thomas Gore Browne full power and authority as you shall see occasion in our name and on our behalf to grant to any offender convicted of any crime in any Court or before any Judge, Justice or Magistrate within our said Colony and its dependencies a free and unconditional pardon or a pardon subject to such conditions as in conformity with any Law in force in the said Settlement may be thereunto annexed.* *And We do hereby give and grant unto you the said Thomas Gore Browne full power and authority upon sufficient cause to you appearing to suspend from the exercise of his office within our said Colony and its dependencies, any person exercising any such office under or by virtue of any Commission or warrant granted or to be granted by us as in our name or by our authority, which suspension shall continue and have effect only until our pleasure therein shall be signified, and we do hereby strictly require and enjoin you in proceeding to any such suspension to observe the directions in that behalf given to you in and by our instructions accompanying this our Commission.* *And in case of the death, incapacity, or absence of you the said Thomas Gore Browne from the said Colony and its dependencies, Our will and pleasure is that this our Commission and the several powers herein and by our aforesaid instructions vested in you shall be exercised by such person as may by us be appointed to be our Lieutenant Governor of our said Colony of New Zealand and its dependencies, or by such person as may be appointed by us under our Sign Manual and Signet to Administer the said Government. But if at the time of such your death, incapacity, or absence there shall be no person within our said Colony Commissioned by us as aforesaid to be as Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government thereof, then our pleasure is and we do hereby provide and direct that in any such contingency the Senior Officer for the time being in command of our land forces within our said Colony shall take upon himself the administration of the Government thereof, and shall execute this our commission and the several powers herein and in the aforesaid instructions contained; and We do hereby require and command all officers, Civil and Military, and all other inhabitants of the said Colony and its dependencies, to be obedient, aiding and assisting unto you the said Thomas Gore Browne, or to the Officer administering the Government for the time being, in the execution of this our commission and of the powers and authorities herein contained.*

In Witness whereof We have caused these our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourselves at Westminster, this ninth day of February, in the Eighteenth year of our Reign.

By Warrant under the Queen's Sign Manual.

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C. ROMILLY.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COLONEL THOMAS GORE BROWNE, C.B., GOVERNOR OF NEW ZEALAND.

L. S. (Signed) VICTORIA REGINA.

INSTRUCTIONS to our trusty and well beloved THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Esq., Companion of our most Honorable Order of the Bath, Colonel in our Army, Our Governor and Commander-in-chief in and over our Colony of New Zealand, with its members and appurtenances or in his absence to our Lieutenant Governor, or the Officer Administering the Government of the said Colony for the time being.

Given at our Court at Windsor, this ninth day of February, 1855, in the eighteenth year of our reign.

1. WHEREAS by our Commission under the Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing even date herewith, constituting and appointing you to be our Governor and Commander-in-chief in and over our Colony of New Zealand and its members and appurtenances for and during our will and pleasure, we have required and commanded you to do and execute all things in due manner that shall belong to your said command, and the trust thereby reposed in you according to, and in pursuance of an Act of the session holden in the 15th and 16th years of our reign, intituled—"An Act to Grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand," and according to the several powers and directions granted to, or appointed for you, by our said Commission, and the instructions herewith given to you, or according to such further powers instructions, and authorities as shall at any time hereafter be granted to, or appointed for you, under our Sign Manual and Signet, or by our Order in our Privy Council, or by us through