A.—No. 1. 44 DESPATCHES FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

No. 24, 8th October, 1866.—An Act to alter and amend the Waste Lands

Regulations of the Province of Canterbury.

No. 25, 8th October, 1866.—An Act to extend the Land Laws of the Province of Hawke's Bay to Lands acquired by the Provincial Government under "The Native Lands Act, 1865."

I have, &c., BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

No. 42.

Copy of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Duke of Buckingham to Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

(No. 27.)

Sir, — Downing Street, 1st June, 1867.

I have the honor to inform you that Her Majesty will not be advised to exercise her power of disallowance in respect of the Act of your Government, No. 52, 8th October, 1866, intituled "An Act to provide for the general control and management of Ports, Pilots, Lighthouses, and other matters relating to Navigation, and to regulate Port Charges and other rates," of which a copy accompanied your Despatch No. 10, of the 12th of January last.

I think it right, however, to call your attention to the sixteenth section of this Act, which re-enacts certain provisions of the Act of 1865 (No. 18, 29th Vict.) which provisions were thought to require amendment, as explained in my

predecessor's Despatch, No. 19, of the 1st of September, 1866.

I have, &c., BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

No. 43.

Copy of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Duke of Buckingham to Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

(No. 29.) Sir,—

Downing Street, 1st June, 1867.

I have received your Despatch No. 30, of the 4th of April, in which you enclose a Memorandum from your Responsible Advisers referring to Lord Carnarvon's Despatch No. 49, of the 1st December, 1866, and declining to accede to the conditions proposed in that Despatch, respecting one Regiment of Imperial Forces which it was proposed to leave in the Colony.

It appears from the second paragraph of the Memorandum of your Ministers that a further expression of their opinion may shortly be expected on this and other subjects connected with military operations. I therefore delay sending any answer to various important Despatches which have been received from you on these matters, in the expectation that I shall at an early date be in full possession

of the views of yourself and your Advisers.

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The regiment which was to remain in the Colony, and which by this time, I presume, will be the only portion of Her Majesty's Imperial Forces in New Zealand, will continue there for a time, until its ultimate destination has been decided upon by Her Majesty's Government, when further instructions will be sent to you regarding it.

I have, &c., BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

No. 44.

Copy of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. tke Duke of Buckingham to Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

(No. 30.)

Downing Street, 1st June, 1867.

I have received with sincere regret your Despatch of the 2nd April, in