"to the Colonial Treasurers without waiting for the formal assent of the respective Governments. The

"duty at Adelaide has already been transferred to the Colonial Treasurer.

"I am to add that the arrangement in question has been approved by the Treasury, on the under"standing that it shall be only of a temporary nature, and open to revision after a term of years, to be " hereafter agreed upon.'

## No. 9.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of KIMBERLEY to Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

(Circular.)

SIR,-

Downing Street, 3rd November, 1871.

I have been in communication with the Secretary of State for War in regard to the question whether officers employed by Colonial Governments, in positions analogous to those specified in the accompanying list, should be granted the same advantages in regard to allowing such service to count towards promotion, as is enjoyed by officers similarly employed by the Imperial Government.

In the Imperial service a substantive Lieutenant-Colonel, or a substantive Major with the brevet rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, serving satisfactorily for five years in any of these appointments, would be entitled to brevet promotion to the rank of Colonel, and the unattached pay of a General Officer on promotion to the rank of Major-General; and Mr. Cardwell is of opinion that this regulation might be extended to similar appointments under Colonial Governments. These Staff appointments are made for five years, with the understanding that if deemed necessary for the public service, or under special circumstances, the officer can be reappointed.

As the proposal of the Secretary of State for War would be advantageous to the officers, and does not appear to me to be likely to operate prejudicially to the Colonial service, I have concurred in it, and I have to request you to communicate the arrangement to your Government, and to any person employed by the

Colony under your Government who may be affected by it.

I have, &c.,

The Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand.

KIMBERLEY.

## Enclosure in No. 9.

EXTRACT from ROYAL WARRANT, dated 27th December, 1870.

(Pay and Promotion, part 1, pp. 9 and 10.)

f.—By brevet after five years' satisfactory service as substantive Lieutenant-Colonel, or as substantive Major (with the brevet rank of Lieutenant-Colonel), or as Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel of the Foot Guards in the following appointments:—

Adjutant-General,

Deputy Adjutant-General,

Assistant Adjutant-General,

Assistant Military Secretary at the Horse Guards,

Quartermaster-General,

Deputy Quartermaster-General,

Assistant Quartermaster-General,

Military Secretary at the Horse Guards, Military Assistant at the War Office,

Military Secretary (or Assistant Military Secretary where there shall be no Military Secretary) to a General Officer exercising supreme command on a Station, or to a Plenipotentiary abroad,

Military Secretary to the Viceroy of India,

Deputy Judge Advocate,

Military Secretary to Governor-General of Canada,

Commissioner to the Head Quarters of an allied Army,

Military Attaché to a Foreign Embassy,

Governor of Royal Military Academy,
Commandant of the Cadets' College, Sandhurst,
Commandant of the Staff College, Sandhurst,
Major and Superintendent of Studies at the Cadets' College, Sandhurst,

Inspector of Disembodied Militia in Ireland,

Chief Inspector of Musketry in India,