It will be also desirable to furnish the Governors of the different Colonies interested in these changes with a copy of the new consular districts, but Lord Kimberley proposes to delay taking this step until he learns what decision has been arrived at with reference to the issue of new exequaturs.

I am, &c.,

The Under Secretary of State, Foreign Office.

R. H. MEADE.

Lord Enfield to the Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

With reference to your letter of the 25th ultimo, respecting the proposed reorganization of the limits of the districts of the German Consuls in the British Colonies and possessions, I am directed by Earl Granville to request you to inform the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that as no limits are specifically laid down in the commissions and exequaturs with which these Consuls have been furnished, new exequaturs are unnecessary; but it will be sufficient to notify to the proper authorities, with a view to their being duly recognized, the limits of each consular district as they are specified in Count Bernstorff's note.

I am accordingly to request that the necessary notifications may be made to the proper authorities; but I am to add that, as fresh appointments are made, the new commissions and exequaturs will, in each case, be made to specify the limits actually laid down for the consular district.

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

I am, &c., Enfield.

Lord Tenterden to the Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

Sir,—

With reference to my letter of the 24th of February lest relative to the recognization.

With reference to my letter of the 24th of February last, relative to the re-organization of the limits of the districts of German Consuls in the British colonies and possessions, I am directed by Earl Granville to transmit to you, herewith, a further list which has been received from the German Ambassador at this Court, stating the limits of the districts assigned to the several consulates therein named.

I am to request that you will move the Earl of Kimberley to cause these changes to be notified to the British authorities whom it may concern.

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

Tenterden.

List of those Imperial German Consulates in the British Colonies which have had the Limits of their Official Districts newly defined.

A. Seat of the Consular Authority.			B.  Name of the Consul.			C.
						Present Official District.
Kingston Port of Spain Port Louis Point de Galle Colombo			J. Dieckmann C. F. Feez A. J. W. Arnott J. L. Vanderspar Th. Krämer			The whole Island of Jamaica. The whole Island of Trinidad. The Island of Mauritius. Point de Galle and the South Province of Ceylon. Colombo and the West Province
St. Helena Dunedin Christchurch Nelson		•••	S. Solomon H. Houghton Th. M. Hassal F. Kelling	•••	•••	Ceylon. The Island of St. Helena. The Province of Otago. The Province of Canterbury. The Provinces of Nelson and Marl borough and the County of West land.

## No. 9.

Copy of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley to Governor the Right Hon. Sir J. Fergusson, Bart.

(No. 47.)

Sir,— Downing Street, 11th July, 1873.

I transmit to you copies of correspondence with the Foreign Office on the subject of an application from the United States Government for permission to establish stations in Tasmania and New Zealand for the observation of the transit of Venus.

I have received, through the Governor of Victoria, a telegram stating that your Government consent to the proposal, and I shall be glad if your Government will also give effect to General Schenck's request that the instruments required for the observation may be admitted free of duty.

I have, &c.,

KIMBERLEY.

F. O., June 12, 1873.
C. O., June 20, 1873.
C. O. to F. O., June 23, 1873.
C. O. to F. O., July 10, 1873.

M. Munster's

-Extract.

Note of June 24.

Governor the Right Hon. Sir J. Fergusson, Bart.