

No. 27.

DESPATCH No. 21.—25th February, 1875.—Notifying the appointment of Mr. Walter Lowry Buller to the dignity of a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Earl of CARNARVON to Governor the Marquis of NORMANBY, K.C.M.G.

(New Zealand, No. 21.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 25th February, 1875.

I have the honor to inform you that Her Majesty has been pleased, at my recommendation, to give directions for the appointment of Mr. Walter Lowry Buller, the author of "The Birds of New Zealand," to the dignity of a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, in consideration of the ability and attainments displayed in that work.

Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of Normanby, K.C.M.G., &c., &c.

I have, &c.,
CARNARVON.

No. 28.

DESPATCH No. 37.—28th May, 1875.—Conferring the dignity of Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George on Julius Vogel, Esq., C.M.G.

Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Earl of CARNARVON to Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of NORMANBY, K.C.M.G.

(New Zealand, No. 37.)

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th May, 1875.

I have the honor to inform you that Her Majesty has been pleased, on my recommendation, to give directions for the promotion of Julius Vogel, Esq., C.M.G., to be a Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George.

Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of Normanby, K.C.M.G., &c., &c.

I have, &c.,
CARNARVON.

No. 29.

DESPATCH No. 10.—Auckland, 12th March, 1876.—Recommending Mr. William Hunter Reynolds to be allowed to retain his title of "Honorable."

Copy of Despatch from Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of NORMANBY, K.C.M.G., to the Right Hon. the Earl of CARNARVON, K.C.M.G.

(New Zealand, No. 10.)

MY LORD,—

Government House, Auckland, 12th March, 1876.

In my Despatch No. 8 I informed your Lordship that, on the reconstruction of the Government under the Premiership of Sir Julius Vogel, Mr. William Hunter Reynolds had on purely personal grounds retired from the Government.

2. Mr. Reynolds has long been connected with the Provincial Government of Dunedin, and for many years represented the City of Dunedin in the House of Representatives, and although defeated upon the last occasion by Mr. Macandrew, the Superintendent of the province, he was at once returned by a considerable majority for Port Chalmers, the seat formerly represented by Mr. Macandrew.

3. Mr. Reynolds joined the General Government as Minister for Customs on the 26th October, 1872, and retained his seat in the Executive until the 16th of February last; he has therefore held office for three years and four months. I should therefore feel obliged to your Lordship if you would kindly obtain Her Majesty's permission for Mr. Reynolds to retain the title of "Honorable."

4. This mark of distinction would, I have reason to know, be acceptable to Mr. Reynolds, and give pleasure to his former colleagues; and I understand that it has been customary in this colony for a Minister to receive this mark of distinction on his retirement from office after three years' service.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon, &c., &c.

I have, &c.,
NORMANBY.

No. 30.

DESPATCH No. —11th May, 1876.—Notifying that Her Majesty has been pleased to authorize Mr. William Hunter Reynolds to retain the title of "Honorable."

Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Earl of CARNARVON to Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of NORMANBY, K.C.M.G.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 11th May, 1876.

I have received your Lordship's Despatch No. 10, of the 11th March, in which you recommend that Mr. William Hunter Reynolds, who has retired from the Executive Council after having been a member for a period of over three years, may receive the Queen's permission to retain the title of "Honorable;" and I have the honor to acquaint you that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve of Mr. Reynolds retaining the title of "Honorable" within the Colony of New Zealand.

Governor the Most Hon. the Marquis of Normanby, K.C.M.G.

I have, &c.,
CARNARVON.